

English 9 Honors is an overview of exemplar selections of literature in fiction and nonfiction genres. Students read short stories, poems, a full-length novel, a full-length Shakespeare play, and two book-length outside readings of their choice. For all readings, students analyze the use of elements of literature in developing character, plot, and theme. For example, in selected stories, students compare the effect of setting on tone and character development. In the poetry unit, students analyze how artists and writers draw from and interpret source material.

Each unit includes informational texts inviting students to consider the historical, social, and literary context of the main texts they study. For example, in the first semester, a Nikolai Gogol story that is offered as an exemplar of magical realism is accompanied by instruction on that genre. Together, the lesson content and reading prompt students to demonstrate their understanding of magical realism by analyzing its qualities in a literary text.

Throughout the course, students respond to others' claims and support their own claims in essays, discussions, and presentations, consistently using thorough textual evidence. Opportunities for self-directed study, including outside readings, open-ended journal entries, and free-form projects, challenge Honors students to use their creativity and critical thinking skills to gain independent mastery of reading and writing. Finally, the range of texts includes canonical authors such as William Shakespeare, Franz Kafka, and Elie Wiesel, as well as writers from diverse backgrounds, such as Alice Walker, Li-Young Lee, and Robert Lake-Thom (Medicine Grizzly Bear).

Length: Two Semesters

UNIT 1: THE SHORT STORY, PART 1

LESSON 1: THE SHAPE OF A STORY

Read: Outside Reading: Introduction

Choose a book-length text to read over the course of the semester. Answer a series of questions to prove your grasp of the text. Duration: 0 hrs 5 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Shape of a Story

Identify the building blocks of plot. Explain why conflict is central to plot development.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Shape of a Story

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Monkey's Paw" by W. W. Jacobs

Read and comprehend a short story by W. W. Jacobs.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Monkey's Paw" by W. W. Jacobs

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Creating Tension

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze the Shape of a Story

Analyze how W. W. Jacobs's choices in structuring "The Monkey's Paw" and ordering events create tension and surprise.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Shape of a Story

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare an Explanatory Essay

Explore the process of writing an essay, including establishing a clear claim, choosing supporting evidence, and using effective writing techniques.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Use a variety of revision strategies to improve and submit an essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 2: SETTING, CHARACTER, AND DIALOGUE

Read: An Essay on Character Development

Read one writer's perspective on character development.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Setting, Character, and Dialogue

Recognize how setting and character development advance plot.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Setting, Character, and Dialogue

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Chrysanthemums" by John Steinbeck

Read and comprehend a short story by John Steinbeck.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Chrysanthemums" by John Steinbeck

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Setting, Character, and Dialogue

Analyze how John Steinbeck's choices in the details of setting and character development work together to advance plot.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Setting, Character, and Dialogue

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: POINT OF VIEW, TONE, AND THEME

Read: An Essay on Theme

Read an essay about theme in literature.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Theme and Point of View

Compare the points of view in selected excerpts, analyzing their effect.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Theme and Point of View

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Yellow Wallpaper" by Charlotte Perkins Gilman

Read and comprehend a short story by Charlotte Perkins Gilman.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Yellow Wallpaper" by Charlotte Perkins Gilman

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Theme and Point of View

Examine how Charlotte Perkins Gilman's decisions about point of view and word choice create a tone and develop the story's

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Theme and Point of View

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Explore how to distinguish an objective description of a work of literature from a thematic analysis, using a formal style, an objective tone, and domain-specific vocabulary to develop both kinds of writing.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE SHORT STORY, PART 1

Journal: Write Your Journal Entry: Spelling and Capitalization

Review conventions surrounding spelling and capitalization. Apply what you have learned in a journal entry.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

Review: The Short Story, Part 1

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): The Short Story, Part 1

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): The Short Story, Part 1

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 2: THE SHORT STORY, PART 2

LESSON 1: CHARACTER AND SYMBOL

Read: An Essay on Symbols and Artifacts

Read and comprehend an essay on the symbolism of cultural artifacts and heirlooms.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Characters through Symbols

Recognize the ways writers use character development to further plot and develop theme.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Characters through Symbols

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "Everyday Use" by Alice Walker

Read and comprehend a short story by Alice Walker

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "Everyday Use" by Alice Walker

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Study: Analyze Characters Through Symbols

Examine how Alice Walker develops the cultural identity of her characters by using symbolic objects.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Characters Through Symbols

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Speech

Explore preparing a speech that makes use of multimedia to enhance a subject and sources that have been evaluated for their credibility.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 2: MAGICAL REALISM

Study: Understand Magical Realism

Recognize the elements of magical realism and the effects writers and artists strive to attain by using those elements.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Magical Realism

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Nose" by Nikolai Gogol

Read and comprehend a short story by Nikolai Gogol.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Nose" by Nikolai Gogol

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Appearances and Power

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze Magical Realism

Examine how Nikolai Gogol develops theme and plot through the use of magical realism techniques.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Magical Realism

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Compare and contrast two works of the same genre, focusing on tone, imagery, and character development. Make use of formatting, multimedia, and other tools to enhance the comparison.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: GOTHIC LITERATURE

Read: An Essay on the Origins of the Gothic

Read and comprehend an essay about the Gothic genre.

Study: Understand Gothic Elements in Literature

Recognize how gothic elements in literature create effects such as mystery, tension, and surprise.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Gothic Elements in Literature

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Black Cat" by Edgar Allan Poe

Read and comprehend a short story by Edgar Allan Poe.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Black Cat" by Edgar Allan Poe

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Gothic Elements in Literature

Analyze how Poe's choices in structuring the story, ordering events, and manipulating time create such effects as mystery, tension, and surprise.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Gothic Elements in Literature

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE SHORT STORY, PART 2

Review: The Short Story, Part 2

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): The Short Story, Part 2

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): The Short Story, Part 2

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 3: POETRY

LESSON 1: READING POETRY

Read: An Essay on Getting Comfortable with Poetry

Read and comprehend three poems.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Poetic Language

Identify the types of figurative language and other elements of poetry.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Poetic Language

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Three Poems

Read and comprehend three poems.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Three Poems

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Poetic Language

Identify and analyze the uses of figurative language and the elements of poetry in three poems.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Poetic Language

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Presentation

Explore how to evaluate sources in conducting research and how to present the results of research in an essay and presentation.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 2: THE SHAPE OF POETRY

Study: Understand the Functions of the Form

Recognize how the form of poetry has served both purposeful and artistic functions throughout history.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Functions of the Form

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Three Poems

Read, comprehend, and compare three poems.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Three Poems

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Words versus Pictures

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze the Functions of the Form

Compare how three poems use different techniques to explore a similar theme.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Functions of the Form

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: POETRY AND ART

Read: The Story of Daedalus and Icarus

Read and comprehend the mythological story "Daedalus and Icarus."

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand How Artists Build on Source Material

Recognize how artists and writers have drawn from source material throughout history.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand How Artists Build on Source Material

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Two Poems, One Painting

Read two poems about a painting.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Two Poems, One Painting

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze How Artists Build on Source Material

Compare and analyze how a painter and two poets have drawn on and interpreted original source material.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze How Artists Build on Source Material

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Explore comparing and contrasting two creative works, including how each work's medium makes it unique.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: POETRY

Journal: Write Your Journal Entry: Punctuation

Review conventions surrounding punctuation, including commas, colons, and semicolons. Apply what you have learned in a journal entry.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

Review: Poetry

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): Poetry

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): Poetry

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 4: THE NOVELLA: FRANZ KAFKA'S THE METAMORPHOSIS

LESSON 1: TRANSLATION

Read: An Essay on Literature in Translation

Read and comprehend an essay about literature in translation.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Translations

Explore the effects of translation on literature.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Translations

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 1

Read and comprehend the first part of The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 1

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze the Translation of Kafka's The Metamorphosis

Analyze how *The Metamorphosis* is translated.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Translation of Kafka's The Metamorphosis

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Narrative, Part I

Explore the process of writing an essay including establishing a clear claim choosing supporting evidence and using effective writing techniques.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 40 points

LESSON 2: CONTEXT AND THEME

Read: "Letter to His Father" by Franz Kafka

Read and comprehend "Letter to His Father."

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Context of Stories

Understand how context affects The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Context of Stories

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 2

Read and comprehend the second part of The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 2

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Themes in Life and Literature

Analyze the themes of The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Themes in Life and Literature

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Narrative, Part II

Explore the process of writing an argument that is supported by valid reasoning and relevant, sufficient evidence and that uses effective technique and appropriate language.

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: KAFKA'S HERO

Study: Understand Transformation

Examine the transformations that happen throughout *The Metamorphosis*.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Transformation

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 3

Read and comprehend the final part of The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: The Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka, Part 3

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: The Second Metamorphosis

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze the Resolution of The Metamorphosis

Analyze the larger themes of The Metamorphosis.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Resolution of The Metamorphosis

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Narrative, Part III

Explore the process of writing an argument that is supported by valid reasoning and relevant, sufficient evidence and that uses effective technique and appropriate language.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 40 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE NOVELLA: FRANZ KAFKA'S THE METAMORPHOSIS

Review: The Novella: Franz Kafka's The Metamorphosis

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): The Novella: Franz Kafka's The Metamorphosis

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): The Novella: Franz Kafka's The Metamorphosis

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 5: SEMESTER WRAP-UP

LESSON 1: SEMESTER WRAP-UP

Read: Outside Reading: Follow-Up

Choose a book-length text to read over the course of the semester. Answer a series of questions to prove your grasp of the text.

Duration: 6 hrs Scoring: 75 points

Review: Semester Review

Prepare for the semester exam by reviewing key concepts covered in this semester.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Exam: Semester Exam

Take a computer-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in this semester.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

Final Exam: Semester Exam

Take a teacher-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in this semester.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 6: DRAMA: SHAKESPEARE'S MACBETH

LESSON 1: MURDER AND MAYHEM AND MACBETH

Read: Outside Reading: Introduction

Choose a book-length text to read over the course of the semester. Answer a series of questions to prove your grasp of the text.

Duration: 0 hrs 5 mins Scoring: 0 points

Read: An Essay on Shakespeare's Language

Read and comprehend an essay on the language of Shakespeare's plays.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the World and Words of Shakespeare

Examine the historical context and literary devices of Shakespearean drama.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the World and Words of Shakespeare

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 1

Read and comprehend the beginning acts of Macbeth.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 1

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze How Shakespeare Develops Character

Analyze how Shakespeare created tension and suspense through character development.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze How Shakespeare Develops Character

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare Annotations

Explore the use of annotations to enhance the reader's understanding of Shakespeare's figurative language, vocabulary, tone, and turns of phrases.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 2: THE SUPERNATURAL IN SHAKESPEARE

Study: Understand the Supernatural in Macbeth

Examine the use of the supernatural in *Macbeth* and analyze how Shakespeare used literary devices to build suspense.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Supernatural in Macbeth

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 2

Read and comprehend the middle acts of Macbeth.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 2

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Superstition Today

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze the Supernatural in Macbeth

Analyze how the language and rhythm of Macbeth affect the reading of the play.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Supernatural in Macbeth

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Explore how to use imagery and rich description in general to build suspense, establish motifs and themes, and create a believable setting.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: INTERPRETATIONS OF HEROISM

Read: An Essay on the Tragic Hero

Read and comprehend an essay on the theme of appearance versus reality in Macbeth.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Tragic Hero

Recognize and examine the contrast between appearances and reality in the first two-thirds of Macbeth.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Tragic Hero

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 3

Read and comprehend the final acts of Macbeth.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Macbeth by William Shakespeare, Part 3

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Different Interpretations of Macbeth

Analyze how Shakespeare used character development, language, and other literary devices to create tension and develop plot and theme.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Different Interpretations of Macbeth

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: DRAMA: SHAKESPEARE'S MACBETH

Journal: Write Your Journal Entry: Parallel Structure

Review conventions surrounding parallel structure. Apply what you have learned in a journal entry.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

Review: Drama: Shakespeare's Macbeth

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): Drama: Shakespeare's Macbeth

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): Drama: Shakespeare's Macbeth

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 7: THE RHETORIC OF ARGUMENT

LESSON 1: UNDERSTAND ARGUMENT FALLACIES

Read: An Essay on Logical Fallacies

Read and comprehend an essay about logical fallacies and audience appeals.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Rhetoric

Recognize the three types of audience appeals and common logical fallacies.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Rhetoric

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: An Essay from Beyond the Wall by Edward Abbey

Read and comprehend an argument by Edward Abbey.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: An Essay from Beyond the Wall by Edward Abbey

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Rhetoric

Categorize Abbey's audience appeals based on language and rhetorical decisions, and identify any logical fallacies in his argument.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Rhetoric

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: RESPONDING TO CHALLENGING PERSPECTIVES

Study: Understand Bias and Reasoning

Compare the use of rhetorical techniques in a selection of arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Bias and Reasoning

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "Lifeboat Ethics" by Garrett Hardin

Read and comprehend an argument by Garrett Hardin.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "Lifeboat Ethics" by Garrett Hardin

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Subjectivity

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze Bias and Reasoning

Analyze Hardin's rhetorical techniques and assess his reasoning and use of evidence.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Bias and Reasoning

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare an Argumentative Essay

Explore the process of writing an objective summary.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: DIFFERENT FORMS OF ARGUMENT

Read: "The School Days of an Indian Girl" by Zitkala-Ša (Gertrude Bonnin)

Read and comprehend a story by Zitkala-Ša.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Different Argument Types

Identify the use of persuasive techniques in varied forms.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Different Argument Types

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "An Indian Father's Plea" by Medicine Grizzlybear Lake

Read and comprehend an argument in the form of a letter by Medicine Grizzlybear Lake.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "An Indian Father's Plea" by Medicine Grizzlybear Lake

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze a Different Type of Argument

Evaluate the effectiveness of Lake's narrative approach to argument.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze a Different Type of Argument

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Explore how to analyze a non-fiction author's use of rhetoric, connotation, and figurative language.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE RHETORIC OF ARGUMENT

Review: The Rhetoric of Argument

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): The Rhetoric of Argument

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): The Rhetoric of Argument

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 8: THE RHETORIC OF SPEECHES

LESSON 1: SPEECH: WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Study: Understand How Word Choice and Context Matter

Recognize how the tools of rhetoric apply to speeches as well as textual arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand How Word Choice and Context Matter

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "Speech After Being Convicted of Voting" by Susan B. Anthony

Read and comprehend a speech by Susan B. Anthony.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "Speech After Being Convicted of Voting" by Susan B. Anthony

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Suffrage

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze How Word Choice and Context Matter

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of Susan B. Anthony's word choice and rhetorical style.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze How Word Choice and Context Matter

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare an Analysis of an Argument

Explore making a distinction between an objective summary and a subjective analysis of a reading's main ideas, articulating each in a formal presentation.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 2: SPEECH: CIVIL RIGHTS

Read: The Declaration of Independence and the Gettysburg Address

Read and comprehend the beginning of the Declaration of Independence and the Gettysburg Address.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Quest for Civil Rights

Recognize how word choice and context affect the tone and interpretation of arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Quest for Civil Rights

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Nobel Acceptance Speech by Martin Luther King Jr.

Read and comprehend a speech by Martin Luther King Jr.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Nobel Acceptance Speech by Martin Luther King Jr.

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze the Quest for Civil Rights

Compare two speeches, determining how each speaker used audience appeal and analyzing which rhetorical devices each relied on most.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Quest for Civil Rights

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: SPEECH: HUMAN RIGHTS

Read: Nobel Acceptance Speech by Elie Wiesel

Read and comprehend Elie Wiesel's Nobel Prize speech.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Quest for Human Rights

Practice drawing inferences from a range of explicit claims, arguments, and observations.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Quest for Human Rights

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: "The Perils of Indifference" by Elie Wiesel

Read and comprehend Elie Wiesel's speech "The Perils of Indifference."

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: "The Perils of Indifference" by Elie Wiesel

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze the Quest for Human Rights

Interpret any implications in Elie Wiesel's speech.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Quest for Human Rights

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Project: Create a Project

Explore how to analyze a non-fiction author's use of rhetoric, connotation, and figurative language.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE RHETORIC OF SPEECHES

Journal: Write Your Journal Entry: Phrases, Clauses, and Parts of Speech

Review conventions surrounding phrases, clauses, and parts of speech. Apply what you have learned in a journal entry.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

Review: The Rhetoric of Speeches

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): The Rhetoric of Speeches

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): The Rhetoric of Speeches

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 9: REINTERPRETING FICTION

LESSON 1: THE WAR OF THE WORLDS: THE BOOK

Read: An Essay on Invasion Literature

Read and comprehend an essay about invasion literature.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand Invasion Literature

Explore the context of invasion literature.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Invasion Literature

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells

Read and comprehend War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: The War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze Invasion Literature

Evaluate the techniques of War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Invasion Literature

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Research Paper, Part I

Explore the process of writing an essay, including establishing a clear claim, choosing supporting evidence, and using effective writing techniques.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 40 points

LESSON 2: THE WAR OF THE WORLDS: THE RADIO BROADCAST

Study: Understand Assumptions of Truth

Explore why people assume certain things to be true.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand Assumptions of Truth

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The War of the Worlds on the Radio

Read and comprehend the radio broadcast of War of the Worlds.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: The War of the Worlds on the Radio

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Discuss: Could It Happen Again?

Discuss a claim about the text you've just read, using evidence from the text to support your stance and respond to your peers' arguments.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Analyze Assumptions of Truth

Analyze the presentation of key conflicts in the story.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze Assumptions of Truth

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Research Project, Part II

Explore working in groups by establishing clear roles and using teamwork to create a coherent, visual argument that reflects the sentiments found in one of the lesson readings.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 40 points

LESSON 3: THE WAR OF THE WORLDS: AFTERWARD

Read: An Essay on Historical Context

Read and comprehend an essay about historical context of the War of the Worlds radio broadcast.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Study: Understand the Vulnerability to Media

Explore how media can affect the life of everyday people.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understand the Vulnerability to Media

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Stories After the Fact

Read and comprehend a newspaper article and watch a short excerpt of a video interview.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Stories After the Fact

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 5 points

Study: Analyze the Vulnerability to Media

Analyze how different media stories have created mass hysteria.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Analyze the Vulnerability to Media

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Write: Prepare a Research Paper, Part III

Explore the process of writing a narrative to develop real or imagined experiences, using effective technique and appropriate language.

Duration: 2 hrs Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Complete Your Assignment

Ensure that all of the requirements of the assignment are met, and then revise as necessary.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: REINTERPRETING FICTION

Review: Reinterpreting Fiction

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Test (CS): Reinterpreting Fiction

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 40 points

Test (TS): Reinterpreting Fiction

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 45 points

UNIT 10: SEMESTER WRAP-UP

LESSON 1: SEMESTER WRAP-UP

Read: Outside Reading: Follow-Up

Choose a book-length text to read over the course of the semester. Answer a series of questions to prove your grasp of the text.

Duration: 6 hrs Scoring: 75 points

Review: Semester Review

Prepare for the semester exam by reviewing key concepts covered in this semester.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Exam: Semester Exam

Take a computer-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in this semester.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

Final Exam: Semester Exam

Take a teacher-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in this semester.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points