

English IV Syllabus

Glen Rose High School

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Conference Period: 3rd Period

Tutorials: (By appointment)

Course Description:

This course focuses on the study of British literature, incorporating literary theory and reading comprehension, research, writing, listening, and speaking skills. Course study will include a variety of genres within British literature presented in a thematic pattern. Composition in all genres is a major component of this course, as well as development of analytical and critical thinking skills. Writing experiences will include (but are not limited to) poetry compositions, expository and analytical essays, personal narrative, and rhetorical and technical presentations. Assessment formats are both formative and cumulative.

Materials Needed:

- * Every day: Pen, paper, spiral notebook, Macbook with charger
- * 1st semester only – college/career readiness folder

Classroom Rules:

- 1.) Follow and abide by all Student Handbook Guidelines (NO HATS!)
- 2.) **RESPECT** the rights, feelings, and property of everyone and everything in the classroom!!!
- 3.) Proper use of technology in classroom. Follow guidelines and regulations.

Grading Policy:

Major: 60%

Minor: 40%

Late work:

1 day: 70% (at best)
2 days: 50% (at best)
3 or more days: 0 %

Make-up work:

*Students will have 1 day per
every day they are ABSENT to
complete any make-up work.

*We have several projects that require students to develop their own writing samples; Application Essay, Sonnet packet, Lyric notebook to name a few. **Plagiarism will NOT be tolerated on these assignments.** If caught, plagiarism will result in an automatic zero without an opportunity to retake the assignment.

Safety: We conduct periodic drills. Our policies and procedures are posted by the classroom door.

Units of study:

*Literary concepts, vocabulary, grammatical rules, writing techniques, higher-level questioning, and project- based learning will be implemented throughout each unit of study.

1st six weeks: **College/career readiness folder/Beowulf**

2nd six weeks: **Medieval age/Canterbury Tales**

3rd six weeks: **Shakespeare/Macbeth**

4th Six weeks: **Sonnets and Satire**

5th Six weeks: **1984/novels**

6th Six weeks: **Poetry and Short Story Units**