

12th Grade British Literature

Ms. Patterson

VHS 2021-2022

Welcome: I look forward to working with each of you this school year, and just as I will invest my time and hard work to create a safe, engaging learning environment, I expect each of you to set ambitious academic goals for this course. Have patience, an open-mind, and a willingness to learn as we navigate 12th grade British Literature together. Good Luck 😊

Course Objective: This 12th grade course literature from the British Isles with the study and use of oral and written communication. We will cover various literary eras, including all the major elements that make each European historical period unique and how the circumstances of each period influenced the literature of that time.

Unit One: Origin of a Nation

Unit Two: A Celebration of Human Achievement

Unit Three: Tradition and Reason

Unit Four: Emotion and Experimentation

Unit Five: An Era of Rapid Change

Unit Six: New Ideas, New Voices

Supplies Needed: Notebook Paper, Pencils, Pens, highlighters, and a binder for your notes

*You do not need a separate binder/notebook for your notes for this course. You just need a safe place to put your materials where they can be easily retrieved.

Tissue and sanitizer donations are greatly appreciated!

Infinite Campus: Student grades can be monitored by checking Infinite Campus. Both parents and students have access to Infinite Campus and should check it regularly.

Classroom Library:

Reading is an integral part of this course, and there will be times when students will have the opportunity to read independently in class. Students may check out books from my personal classroom library and keep the books for any duration of time. If a book is lost or irreparably damaged, the student will no longer be allowed to check out books from me. The books in my library consist of a variety of genres and subject matter. If you do not want your child to check out books from my classroom library, please indicate so on the signature page by checking one of the boxes.

How to Reach Me:

1. salina.patterson@hcbe.net
2. Google Classroom
3. (478)218-7537

Class Rules:

1. Be Respectful

Maintain a respectful and positive attitude towards the teacher and other students. Bullying will not be tolerated.

2. Be Prepared

Come to class with the necessary supplies. Complete all assignments and be ready to work.

3. Be Engaged

Give me your attention, curiosity, interest, and optimism. Be ready and willing to participate.

Grading:

Major Assessments: 45%

At least 5 per semester

Minor Assessments: 20%

At least 8 per semester

Daily Work: 15%

At least 15 per semester

Final Assessment: 20%

Final Exam (Fall & Spring)

*This course includes a cumulative exam at the end of the semester.

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Makeup Work: You must attend class regularly in order to be successful in this course.

If you are absent, it is **your responsibility** to see me to obtain missed notes/ assignments and schedule a time to complete them.

You have **one week** to make up the missed work. After one week, the missed assignments will **not** be accepted.

Late Work: You will receive half credit for up to five days after the due date for late assignments.

After five days, you will receive a **zero** for the missing work.

Retest Policy: Students may retake TWO major assessments per semester within one week after the grade is returned. Students may not retest if they were found cheating or plagiarizing. Students may not retest if the task was never initially completed.

Text Replacement Cost: In this course, we will use the Houghton Mifflin Harcourt *Into Literature* 12th Grade textbook. Students are expected to bring their textbook to class each day. If a student loses or damages a book, he/she will be responsible for paying a replacement fee.

Plagiarism: If a student is caught plagiarizing, he/she will receive a zero as a placeholder, until the assignment is retaken. If the assignment is not made up, the zero will remain. In addition, your parent/guardian will be notified and you will receive administrative punishment.

Plagiarism is **NOT** tolerated at VHS.

Curriculum Info: The curriculum for this course is aligned with the Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) for British Literature and Composition.

Visit Georgiastandards.org for more information regarding GSE.

Google Classroom: To encourage blended learning, online assignments will be posted weekly through Google Classroom. At least one Google Classroom assignment per week will be graded and entered in Infinite Campus. Students should be familiar with how to navigate the online platform, communicate with their teacher, and submit assignments on time.

If there are technology limitations, please notify me ASAP.

Accessing Google Classroom:

Step One: Go to the hcbe.net and click on SSO Portal.

Step Two: Students should sign in using their school/county username and password. If you have questions about your username and password, please ask me.

Step Three: Students should click on the Google Classroom app.

Step Four: When students initially sign into Google Classroom, they should see their courses. Click on "JOIN" for each class to access the course.

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Student Name: _____ **Class Period:** _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Email is my primary method of contact. Please ensure that you list a working email that is regularly checked.

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Questions/Comments/Concerns about your student: _____

Classroom Library: (See box in bottom right corner of pg. 1)

Yes, my child may check out books from Ms. Patterson's library.

No, my child may not check out books from Ms. Patterson's library.

Technology Access at Home: Please indicate Y for yes or N for no to the following statements.

(Y N) My child has access to a computer or smart device at home.

(Y N) My child has a cell phone that can be used at school for BYOD assignments.

(Y N) My child has internet access at home.

(Y N) My child has access to a printer at home.

By signing below I acknowledge that I understand the expectations of Ms. Patterson's class. I agree to not only abide by the rules and procedures described in this syllabus, but also all rules outlined in the Veterans High School student handbook. I understand that failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return this page by Tuesday, August 10th