

ENGLISH 1-T: WORLD STUDIES, LEVEL 4 (N202134)

The English and World History Team course offers freshmen an opportunity to appreciate the depth and diversity of several world cultures from an interdisciplinary perspective. This team-taught course examines the history, literature and culture of China, the Middle East, early Europe, and Africa, while exploring the essential questions of the human condition. The course emphasizes reading, writing, and critical thinking through the textual analysis of literature and primary historical documents, modern research techniques, and oral presentations in individual and group settings. Two sections meet together daily for 85 minutes. Students selecting this option must be comfortable sharing ideas in a large, combined class setting. Students selecting this option must be comfortable sharing ideas in a large, combined class setting.

Students write creatively, analytically, and persuasively about English and history as a combined discipline. The complexities, demands, and pace of this curriculum require that students have or are developing a capacity for abstract thought, independent inquiry, and resourcefulness. The curriculum relies less on explicit teacher modeling and instruction, and instead calls on students to learn and apply concepts independently and with peers.

SUMMER READING: Ishmael: An Adventure of the Mind and Spirit, Quinn (Bantam)

I. FIRST SEMESTER

A. Orientation Academic Integrity, STAR Reading Assessment

B. Grammar, Usage, and Composition A Pocket Style Manual, Hacker (Bedford/St. Martin's)

C. Unit 1: Early Civilizations in the Middle East

Core Text Ishmael : An Adventure of the Mind and Spirit, Quinn

D. Unit 2 : History and Revolution in Iran

Core Texts The Septembers of Shiraz, Sofer
Persepolis, Satrapi

E. Unit 3: Ancient China and Changes in China during the 20th Century

Core Text: Short stories, essays, poetry from Dept. Files

II. SECOND SEMESTER

A. Unit 4: Ancient Greece and Governing in the 21st Century

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| 1. Mythology | core: See Appendix B |
| 2. Epic Poetry | core: <u>The Odyssey</u> , Homer, Fitzgerald (FSG) |
| 3. Novel | core: <u>The Penelopiad</u> , Atwood |

B. Unit 5: The Roman Empire and The Middle Ages in Europe

Core Text: The Merchant of Venice, Shakespeare

C. Unit 6: Africa & European Colonialism (Case study in Nigeria)

Core Text: The Girl with the Louding Voice, Abi Dare

SELECTIONS:

A. Poetry:

Title	Author	Note
"Thoughts in the Silent Night"	Bai	
"Zazen on Ching-T'ing Mountain"	Bai	
"Ithaka"	Cavafy	
"I've Reached the End of this Great History"	Ferdowski	
"All the Hemispheres"	Hafez	
"Forget Not When Dear Friend to Friend Returned"	Hafez	
"Like the Morning Breeze"	Hafez	
"The Only Wise Course for me Now"	Hafez	
"All is Happiness Now, Be Happy"	Rudaki	
"You Killed Many, Broke The Enemy's Courage"	Rudaki	
"Chuang Tzu and The Butterfly"	Bai	
"The Green Water"	Bai	
"The Long War"	Bai	

B. Short Stories:

Title	Author	Note
"By the Waters of Babylon"	Benet	

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"A Poetics for Bullies"	Elkin	
"Creation"	Hamilton	
"Fall of Troy"	Hamilton	
"Trojan War"	Hamilton	
"Anancy"	Salkey	
"Daedalus and Icarus"		
"Larry Takes Flight"		
"Monkey and the Crocodile"		
"Monkey and the Jellyfish"		
"Monkey and the Shark"		
"Phaeton"		
"Apocalypse is a Contronym"	Xu	
"The Date Orchard"	Ran	
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"Serve the People"	Lianke	
From: The Arabian Nights	Unknown	
Colors of the Mountain	Da	
"The Foolish Old Man Who Removed the Mountains"	Mao Tse	
"The East is Red"	Unknown	
"Let's Study the Sixteen Points"	Unknown	
"Piercingly Staring at the Clouds and the Sky"	Unknown	
"Red Guards' Battle Song"	Unknown	

C. Essays:

Title	Author	Note
"For Her Debut, Abi Dare Confronts Dreams and Intelligence That we Kill"	De Leon	
"A Long Way from Home: The Child 'House Helpers' of Nigeria"	Odey	
"Somewhere in China: Reading Between the Lines and the Fiction of Compromise"	Torrence	
"End Paper: Of My Friend Hector and My Achilles Heel"	Kaufman	
"The Merchant of Venice Perpetuates Vile Stereotypes of Jews. So Why do we still produce it"	Frank	
"Merchant Venom"	Hartigan	