



Course Syllabus: World Literature & Composition

Course Description

A college prep course which surveys the words of the early literature of the world through the present day. Skills in literary analysis and critical thinking are stressed. Literary terms, vocabulary study, composition techniques and parallel readings will be incorporated.

This course has three sections. World Literature A is the first half of the course and includes Modules 1 – 5. World Literature B is the second half of the course and includes Modules 6 – 10. World Literature Y is the entire course and includes Modules 1 – 10.

Cobb Virtual Academy's World Literature & Composition course utilizes a thematic approach. This course includes the following, theme-based, modules:

Module 1 – Cultural Connections

Module 2 – Hero

Module 3 – The Quest

Module 4 – The Love of Language

Module 5 – Academic Research

Module 6 – What is Worth Fighting For?

Module 7 – What is Worth Fighting For? (Continued)

Module 8 – How does Change Affect Society?

Module 9 – How does Change Affect Society? (Continued)

Module 10 – Research, Research, Research!

Textbook/Parallel Readings

A Students Choose 1 of the following parallel readings:

- *The Epic of Gilgamesh*
- *The Tao of Pooh* by Benjamin Hoff
- *Siddhartha* by Herman Hesse

B Students Choose 1 of the following parallel readings:

- *The Prince* by Machievelli
- *Angela's Ashes* by Frank McCourt
- *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho

Y Students Choose 1 of the following parallel readings:

- *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe by Chinua Achebe (Y Students Option)
- *The Complete Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi (Y Students Option)
- *Start Something That Matters* by Blake Mycoskie (Y Students Option)

There is no required textbook for this course. All course content is digital and available in the course modules.

Course Participation Policy

Students should follow the Course Schedule (located in Course Information area of course) and all course work must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM on the due date.

After the due date has passed, instructors will enter zeros in the Grade Center for work not submitted by the deadline. During student breaks and towards the end of the semester, students may have the opportunity to improve their course grade by completing and submitting work with grades of zero from earlier in the semester. Zeros will remain in the Grade Center until course work is submitted and evaluated by the instructor. The CVA term ends prior to the end of the traditional school semester.

The final date work will be accepted each term is posted on the CVA website (cobbvirtualacademy.org).

Grading

Grades for the course are calculated based on category percentages as follows:

Assignments	= 35%
Discussion Boards	= 15%
Quizzes	= 10%
Projects/Tests	= 20%
Final Exam/EOC	= 20%

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the cornerstone of learning at CVA and we take the integrity and authenticity of student work very seriously. When academic integrity is maintained, students will make decisions based on values that will prepare them to be productive, meaningful, and ethical citizens.

Students are required to abide by the CVA Academic Integrity Policy. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. The CVA Academic Integrity Policy outlines the consequences if students fail to maintain academic integrity in their course. For additional information, the CVA Academic Integrity Policy is posted on the CVA website.

Additional General Information

- Students must complete the mandatory online CVA Student Orientation each term before any course work will be graded by the instructor. Only one Student Orientation is completed each term.
- All course work must be submitted through Blackboard in the format requested. Students should have access to Microsoft Office and submit assignments in that format. All CCSD students have access to the Office 365 Suite. Assignments submitted through email will not be accepted.
- The 'Grade before Final Exam/EOC' column in the student Grade Center shows the current grade for the course and is automatically calculated.

- Students in all sections of this course will take an online final exam during the times during times indicated on the CVA website.