AP® English Literature and Composition immerses students in novels, plays, poems, and short stories from various periods. Students will read and write daily, using a variety of multimedia and interactive activities, interpretive writing assignments, and class discussions to assess and improve their skills and knowledge. The course places special emphasis on reading comprehension, structural and critical analysis of written works, literary vocabulary, and recognizing and understanding literary devices. The equivalent of an introductory college-level survey class, this course prepares students for the AP® exam and for further study in creative writing, communications, journalism, literature, and composition.

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Length: Two Semesters

Unit 1: Getting Started

- Course Introduction
- The Reading and Writing Processes
- Wrap-Up

Unit 2: Fiction and Poetry: Literature of Examination

- Stories of Personal Exploration
- Poems of Faith and Doubt
- Wrap-Up

Unit 3: Drama: Lives in Crisis

- Hedda Gabler
- A Streetcar Named Desire
- Wrap-Up

Unit 4: Poetry: Love and Separation

- Love Desired
- Love Questioned
- Love Denied
- Wrap-Up

Unit 5: Long Fiction: Their Eyes Were Watching God

- Their Eyes Were Watching God, Chapters 1-10
- Their Eyes Were Watching God: Chapters 11-20
- Wrap-Up

Unit 6: Drama: Shakespearean Comedy

- Twelfth Night, Part One

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- Twelfth Night, Part Two
- Wrap-Up

Unit 7: Review and Exam

Unit 8: Victorian Era Literature

- Jane Eyre, Chapters 1-16
- Jane Eyre, Chapters 17-27
- Jane Eyre, Chapters 28-38
- Wrap-Up

Unit 9: 19th-Century Literature: British & American Authors

- British Authors
- American Authors
- Wrap-Up

Unit 10: Turn-of-the-Century Literature

- Fiction and Analysis, Part 1
- Fiction and Analysis, Part 2
- Wrap-Up

Unit 11: Modern Literature

- Modern Poetry, Part 1
- Modern Poetry, Part 2
- Wrap-Up

Unit 12: The American Dream

- The Great Gatsby, Chapters 1-5
- The Great Gatsby, Chapters 6-9
- Wrap-Up

Unit 13: Contemporary Literature

- American Voices
- International Voices
- Wrap-Up

Unit 14: Review and Exam

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