

American Literature Materials List

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- Binder: Throughout the semester, you will keep a **binder** to organize class notes, journal entries, study guides, papers, quizzes and tests. You will be assessed based on completion and organization of this binder. Binder should include adequate paper and dividers.
- ISB Key/ Jump Drive: Please bring a jump drive to class each day. This should be reserved for school purposes only. Your jump drive will help you stay organized, and it will be used to store your **portfolio**.
- Textbooks/ Novels and necessary supplies: Reading is hard to do without a book: Bring your textbook/ novels! Further, be sure you are prepared with any pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, or liquid paper you may need during class.
- Homework: Class assignments are a crucial piece to your academic success and will be treated as such. Your assignments (meaning that YOU and you alone completed the material!) are due **at the beginning of class each day**. Here are a few guidelines:
 - If you are absent on the day an assignment is due, you are required to make up the work you missed. For an excused absence, you will receive no penalty and will have the same number of days you were absent, plus one day.
 - Students with unexcused absences will receive a maximum of 50% of the numerical grade.
 - Daily assignments will **not** be accepted late. For major projects, grades will be lowered ten percent each day late.
 - After two missed assignments, a student will come after school to conference with me concerning these assignments and to create a plan to ensure that future assignments are completed.

Classroom Policies

- Laptops may be used in class **only** on specified days.
- Cell phones: If I see them or if I hear them, I will take them. Cell phones should be stored in your locker during the course of the school day.
- During class, please clear your desk of any materials that are not used for English class at the moment.
- No food or drink (other than water) in class, please!