

## English 4 v13 Course Reading List

All texts are available to students in the course

### Segment One

#### Module 1:

- Excerpts of *Beowulf*
- Excerpts of *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare
- Excerpts of "Heroism" by Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### Module 2:

- Preamble to the United States Constitution
- The Bill of Rights
- Various articles and court cases
  - "Fire and Like"
  - *Schenck v. United States*, 249 U.S. 47 (1919)

### Segment 1 Honors:

- *The Man Who would Be King* by Rudyard Kipling
- "The Land of Hope and Glory" by Arthur C. Benson
- "Song to the Men of England" by Percy Shelley

### Segment Two

#### Module 3:

- "The Story of an Hour" by Kate Chopin
- "A Jury of Her Peers" by Susan Glaspell
- Excerpt of the "Ladies' Declaration of Independence"
- Excerpt of letter by Abigail Adams
- Excerpt of "The Good House-wife" by Benjamin Franklin
- Excerpt of "On the Equality of the Sexes" by Judith Sargent Murray
- Selected newspaper and magazine articles
  - "In Superman and Christopher Reeve, different ideas of American heroes" by Ted Anthony
  - "Women in combat face doubts over emotions, ability" by Julie Watson
  - "Fur Flies at 'Kung Fu Panda' premiere at Cannes" by David Germain
  - "Big-screen superheroes include, dummy, recluse, and 2 drunks"
- Selected poetry
  - "She Walks in Beauty" by Lord Byron
  - "Crossing Brooklyn Ferry" by Walt Whitman
  - "The Eagle" by Alfred Lord Tennyson
  - "The Lady of Shalott" by Alfred Lord Tennyson

- “The Bells” by Edgar Allen Poe
- “The Lamb” by William Blake
- “The Tyger” by William Blake
- “A Red, Red Rose” by Robert Burns
- “ ‘Hope’ is the thing with feathers-(314)” by Emily Dickinson
- *A Book of Nonsense* by Edward Lear
- “Antigonish” by William Hughes Mearns
- “An Essay on Man” by Alexander Pope
- “Emancipation” by Emily Dickinson
- Selections from *Spoon River Anthology* by Edgar Lee Masters
- Students choose one article to closely read:
  - “The Lumineers ride folk rock wave to Grammys”
  - “‘Anything goes’ now in campaign financing?”
  - “For 1st time since 1999, music revenues inch up”
  - “Practically human: Can smart machines do your job?”
  - “Games likely to follow Pentagon on women in combat”
  - “Funny women flourish in female-written comedies”

#### Module 4:

- Political Speeches
  - Michelle Obama’s speeches on childhood obesity
  - *Anti-Federalist Papers* No. 84 by “Brutus”
  - President Barack Obama’s State of the Union Address (year)
- Selected closing arguments from well-known court cases
  - Chicago Black Sox Trial, 1921
  - Lindbergh Trial, 1935
  - *Brown v. The Board of Education of Topeka*
- Selected newspaper magazine articles
  - “Why Soda Ban Will Work in Fight Against Obesity; Food Regulations Have Proven Record.” by Nadia Arumugam
  - “You’re not special” by David McCullough, Jr.
- Excerpts of “Advice to Youth” by Mark Twain
- Excerpts of “Burlesque Autobiography” by Mark Twain
- Excerpts of “Autobiography” by Benjamin Franklin
- Quotations of *Soda Ban Explained* video by Casey Neistat
- Selected Poetry
  - “Sonnet 130” by William Shakespeare

#### Segment 2 Honors:

- “Shooting an Elephant” by George Orwell
- Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi’s speech at Calicut
- “To Every Englishman in India” by Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

- Various news articles