

Tenth Grade Literature B Pacing Guide

Houston Virtual

Units should not be made available until the beginning of the indicated time frame.

Unit 1 – Perspectives in World Literature (Weeks 1-8)

Lessons and Assessments:

- Nectar in a Sieve: Setting and Culture (*Full Text in Reading Materials Unit*)
- "Gandhi Defends His Beliefs": Persuasion and Parallel Structure
- "Work Without Hope": Compare with Nectar in a Sieve
- Nectar in a Sieve: Point of View
- Nectar in a Sieve: Identifying Themes
- Nectar in a Sieve: Narrative Structure
- Quiz 1
- Nectar in a Sieve: Symbolism and Motif
- Nectar in a Sieve: Compare Point of View
- Nectar in a Sieve: Symbolism and Imagery
- Nectar in a Sieve: Diction and Tone
- Nectar in a Sieve: Simile, Metaphor, Personification
- Word Analysis: Prefixes, Suffixes, and Context
- Quiz 2
- Project: Argumentative Essay - Theme in Nectar in a Sieve
- "Tell me, O Swan, your ancient tale": Implicit and Explicit Meaning
- "The Swan": Object Poetry
- "Spanish Dancer": Imagery and Translations
- Quiz 3
- "Your Laughter": Free Verse and Tone
- "Birthplace": Enjambment and Tone
- "It's This Way": Meter and Futurism
- "Counting Small-Boned Bodies": Satire and Tercets
- Project: Analysis and Comparison of Two Poems
- Quiz 4
- Project: Write an Argument
- "The Garden of Forking Paths": Allusions
- Project: Narrative Essay: "The Garden of the Forking Paths"
- "There's a Man in the Habit of Hitting Me on the Head with an Umbrella": Satire and Magical Realism
- Quiz 5
- Words: Syntax and Etymology
- "The Circuit": Theme
- "The Passing": Inference and Theme
- Quiz 6
- Test

Unit 2 – Tradition vs. Change (Weeks 9-18)

Lessons and Assessments:

- Things Fall Apart: Point of View (*Full Text in Reading Materials Unit*)
- Things Fall Apart: Folkloric Traditions - Chapters 1-3
- Things Fall Apart: Historical and Cultural Context - Chapters 4-6
- Things Fall Apart: Character and Conflict - Chapters 7-8
- Quiz 1
- Things Fall Apart: Characterization - Chapters 9-11
- Things Fall Apart: Symbolism
- Things Fall Apart: Irony and Foreshadowing
- Things Fall Apart: Character Analysis - Chapters 12-13
- Things Fall Apart: Two Interpretations - Chapters 14-16
- Things Fall Apart: Imagery
- Quiz 2
- Things Fall Apart: Conflict - Chapters 17-19
- Things Fall Apart: Themes
- Things Fall Apart: Context and Change
- Things Fall Apart: Parallel Characters
- Things Fall Apart: Individual vs. Society
- Project: Elements of Tragedy in Things Fall Apart and Poetics
- Things Fall Apart: Rhythm of Language
- "The Second Coming": Epigraph to Things Fall Apart
- Things Fall Apart: Decoding Words
- Project: Literary Analysis of Theme in Things Fall Apart
- Quiz 3
- "1959: What Is Apartheid?": Citing Key Concepts
- "Master Harold": Analyzing Dialogue and Allusions
- "Master Harold": Protagonists and Antagonists
- Mandela's Nobel Price Acceptance Speech: Diction and Rhetoric
- Project: Reflective Essay - Literature of South Africa
- Quiz 4
- Don Quixote: Historical Context
- Don Quixote: Allegory
- "The Lottery": Foreshadowing and Suspense
- "The Bane of the Internet": Tone and Point of View
- Figurative Language
- Project: Research an Author's Cultural Context
- Quiz 5
- Test