

## Pacific Charter Institute

**Course:** CP English 11 (College Preparatory English 11)

**Textbook:** *The Language of Literature* (Mc Dougal Littell)

**Core Texts:** *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne, *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

**Recommended Reading:** *1776* by David McCollough, *Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain, *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway

**Course Description:** This course is a survey of American literature from the colonial period to the 20th century. It includes the varied experiences of many cultural groups, including early Puritan Settlers, African Americans and immigrant groups. Students will learn about the major literary movements (romanticism, transcendentalism and realism) and the authors who have contributed significantly to the development of American literature in its different aspects. Reading and learning about American literature is synonymous with understanding the history and culture of a nation that has undergone dramatic social, economic, and cultural change in its relatively short history. Students will examine and analyze representative texts in a variety of literary genres (non-fiction memoirs and essays, drama, short stories, poetry, novels) for content, form, style, diction and contemporary relevance, with an emphasis on critical, higher order thinking. The course emphasizes composition, mastery of vocabulary, and grammar and language skills. Students should plan on up to 8 hours a week to complete the coursework.

### Units of Study for Year-Long Course

<b>Unit 1:</b> 4 weeks	A Gathering of Voices: Literature of Early America	<b>Unit 4:</b> 5 weeks	Division, Reconciliation and Expansion: The Age of Realism
<b>Unit 2:</b> 5 weeks	Revolutions and Captivity: Early National Literature	<b>Unit 5:</b> 5 weeks	New Voices: The Modern Age
<b>Unit 3:</b> 7 weeks	Unique Voices: Nineteenth Century Literature	<b>Unit 6:</b> 5 weeks	Prosperity and Protest: The Contemporary Period

### Course Outline Semester I

Week 1	The Colonial Period	Week 10	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i>
Week 2	Early Americans: Puritanism and <i>The Crucible</i>	Week 11	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (cont'd)
Week 3	<i>The Crucible</i> (cont'd)	Week 12	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (cont'd)
Week 4	<i>The Crucible</i> (cont'd)	Week 13	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (cont'd)
Week 5	A Time of Revolution	Week 14	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (cont'd)
Week 6	Slavery and the Abolition Movement	Week 15	Performance Task*
Week 7	ERW: The Age of Responsibility	Week 16	Transcendentalism
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Week 9	Slavery and the Abolition Movement	Week 18	Review & Final Exam