

AMERICAN LITERATURE

High School (Grades 8-12)

This class will focus on American Literature from the Colonial Period through the Contemporary Period. Studying each period we will learn how literature has been shaped by the American experience and vice versa. With history we *learn*, but literature takes us deeper to help us *feel*, and experience America's past and present.

ABOUT THE TEACHER



My name is Tony (Anthony Dear). I am the pastor of FaithWay Church in Plainwell, MI. I have been a Christian since age 12, and love to teach others about the bible, history, and most of all Jesus. I have a Bachelors Degree in Youth Ministry with a *minor in Literature* from Cornerstone University and a Masters in Biblical History & Archaeology from Liberty and Newburgh Theological Seminary. I am married (25 years) and have 4 kids.

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Reading List

Ask for the complete reading list: Books include, The Old Man and the Sea, The Call of the Wild, Little House in the Big Woods, Treasure Island, Anne of Green Gables... ect...

Note: some books aren't by American authors but are added because they are amazing works and have influenced America.

COST: \$380

This includes all materials and fees for both semesters except for books. Feel free to use LAMP or self pay by making a payment of \$190 the first week of each semester.

WHAT TO EXPECT

I love literature. My mom was a librarian and I grew up loving books. We are going to read fun and clean books. Plan on reading a chapter a day.

In class we will...

- discuss what we read the past week
- do group projects to take what we've read further
- have a short read aloud time just like when we were young (it'll be fun)
- learn about every time period of lit
- read excerpts from books like Uncle Tom's Cabin, Moby Dick, Little Women, The Raven ect...
- learn about writing styles including different types of poetry.