

Course Name: AP English Language and Composition v20

Course Credit: 1.0

Course Estimated Completion Time: 32-36 weeks

**Course Description:** An AP course in English Language and Composition engages students in becoming skilled readers of prose written in a variety of periods, disciplines, and rhetorical contexts and in becoming skilled writers who compose for a variety of purposes. Both their writing and their reading should make students aware of the interactions among a writer's purposes, audience expectations, and subjects as well as the way generic conventions and the resources of language contribute to effectiveness in writing. The college composition course for which the AP English Language and Composition course substitutes is one of the most varied in the curriculum.

Prerequisites: Teacher recommendation, English I, II (honors), with a B+ average

### **Honors Lessons:**

## **Course Profile (Includes Honors, if applicable)**

Type of Assessment	Quantity	Location(s)
Teacher-graded	66	
Auto-graded	5	
Partial Auto-graded	6	
Discussion-Based (DBA)	6	Early Edition - 01.14 Romantic Edition - 03.11 Civil War Edition04.08 Realism Edition - 05.12 Modern Edition - 06.09 Student Edition- 08.08
Collaboration	0	N/A
Project-based		
<b>Total Assessments</b>	77	

# Types of Assessments (Includes Honors, if applicable)

Type of Assessment	Available	Type of Assessment	Available
Multiple Choice	Yes	Essay	Yes
Worksheets	No	Collaborative	
Web 2.0		Short Response	Yes
Project - Based	Yes	Labs	
Self - Check	Yes	DBAs	Yes

### **Scope and Sequence**

Module 1: Early Edition

AP Exam Overview

Plagiarism

MLA Documentation

**Critical Reading** 

Arthur Miller's The Crucible

Rhetorical Analysis

The AP Language Rhetorical Essay

### Module 2: Revolutionary Edition

Multiple-Choice practice

Nonfiction: Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin

Rhetorical devices: structure, tone and attitude

Composition: argument writing, logical fallacies, compound and complex sentence structures

#### Module 3: Romantic Edition

Multiple-Choice Practice

Nonfiction: Ralph Waldo Emerson, Robert Louis Stevenson

Fiction: Great Expectations, chapter one

Rhetorical devices: diction, syntax, and figurative language

Composition: Argumentation, Rhetorical Analysis, periodic and loose sentence structure

#### Module 4: Civil War Edition

Multiple-Choice practice

Speech Analysis

Reading and synthesis

Nonfiction: Abraham Lincoln, African-American spirituals

Major Work: Choice of Ray Bradbury's Zen in the Art of Writing or William Zinsser's On Writing Well Composition: Elements of style, imagery and detail analysis, essay construction, language, periodic and

balanced sentences

Semester 1 Exam: Comprehensive exam testing skills in reading, writing, and literary devices presented throughout the four modules in semester one.

## Module 5: Realism Edition

Multiple-Choice Practice

Introduction to Satire and Irony

Nonfiction: Jonathan Swift "Modest Proposal", Mark Twain "Advice to Youth", William Lloyd Garrison

"The Anti-Suffragist"

**Political Cartoons** 

Short Stories: "The Revolt of Mother"

Rhetorical Composition: Style analysis, argumentation, chiasmus and anaphora

#### Module 6: Modern Edition

Multiple-Choice Practice

Nonfiction: John Steinbeck, President Kennedy "Civil Rights Address"

Poetry: Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen, Claude McKay

Major Work: excerpt from The Grapes of Wrath

Visual Literacy/Image Analysis

Composition: claim writing, argument, style analysis, commentary, synthesis essay, purposeful structure

## **Module 7: Contemporary Edition**

Multiple-Choice Practice

Visual Literacy

Nonfiction: President John F. Kennedy, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Major Work: choice of memoir from this list:

## A Work in Progress by Connor Franta

The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother by James McBride

The Glass Castle by Jeanette Walls

Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass: An American Slave by Frederick Douglass

Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi

The Reason I Jump: The Inner Voice of a Thirteen-Year-Old Boy with Autism by Naoki Higashida

Composition: Style analysis, synthesis/research essay construction, argumentation, sentence variety

#### Module 8: Student Edition

In this module students will construct a nonfiction portfolio based on their choice of a book from this list:

## Pilgrim at Tinker Creek by Annie Dillard

Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting by in America by Barbara Ehrenreich

Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World by Tracy Kidder

The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America by Eric Larson

Killing Kennedy: The End of Camelot by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard

Up from Slavery: An Autobiography by Booker T. Washington

I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban by Christina Lamb and

Malala Yousafzai

Semester 2 Exam: Comprehensive exam testing skills in reading, writing, and literary devices presented throughout the four modules in semester two.