

**English 2308E Sec 001 –**



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**Texts**

- The Norton Anthology of American Literature*, shorter 8th edition, eds. Nina Baym et al.
- Nathaniel Hawthorne *The Scarlet Letter* (Penguin)
- Cormac McCarthy *Blood Meridian* (Vintage)
- Zora Neale Hurston *Their Eyes Were Watching God* (Harper)
- Sylvia Plath *The Bell Jar* (Faber)
- Jack Kerouac *On the Road* (Penguin)
- Octavia Butler *Parable of the Sower* (Grand Central)
- (x) = handouts

Sep	9	Introduction; Christopher Columbus, from <i>Letters</i> ; excerpt from Bartolomé de las Casas
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	23	Benjamin Franklin <i>The Autobiography</i> , part II; <span style="float: right;">On Being</span> <span style="float: right;">To the University of Cambridge, in New</span> England <span style="float: right;">On the Death of the Rev. Mr. George Whitefield, 1770</span> <span style="float: right;">To</span> S.M., a Young African Painter, on Seeing His Works
	30	Thomas Jefferson <i>Declaration of Independence</i> ; excerpts from <i>The Federalist</i> (#1, #10); Nathaniel Hawthorne <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (ch. 1-7; skip

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- Watching God* (1-115)  
**due: position paper**
- 10 finish *Their Eyes Were Watching God*; Sigmund  
 Melancholia (x); (x)
- 17 Reading Week
- 24 Sylvia Plath *The Bell Jar* (1-178)
- Mar 3 Sylvia Plath *The Bell Jar*
- 10 Jack Kerouac *On the Road* (1-  
 x)  
**due: position paper**
- 17 Jack Kerouac *On the Road* (213-finish); Gil Scott-  
 x)
- 24 (x); John Cage, excerpt from  
 x); Ron Silliman, excerpt  
 x);  
 (x); Kenneth Goldsmith *Traffic* (online);  
**due: position paper**
- 31 Octavia Butler *Parable of the Sower*
- Apr 7 finish Octavia Butler *Parable of the Sower*; review  
**due: second term essay**