

Department of English & Writing Studies

Children's Literature  
English 2033E (650)  
Summer 2022

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Please read the following information completely and carefully. You are responsible for it.

Course Description

This course provides a survey of children's literature, exploring texts written for children from a

### Course Materials

The course texts are listed in the Reading Schedule below in the order we'll discuss them. Please refer to the Western Bookstore textbook search for specific editions.

### Methods of Evaluation

Essay 1	Due May 27	1500-2000 words	25%
Essay 2	Due July 15	2500-3000 words	35%
Quizzes			5%
Participation		500 words*	5%
Final exam	TBA (August exam period)		30%

\*This is the cumulative minimum number of words required for all forum postings in the course, not the minimum number per posting.

Note: The Department of English & Writing Studies does not release final grades. All undergraduate grade reports will be available from the Office of the Registrar.

Students are fully responsible for looking at and being familiar with the information posted on the department website at <https://www.uwo.ca/english/undergraduate/Student%20Information.html>

### Reading Schedule

You must complete two units for each full week of the Summer term. The texts listed below can be purchased from the Western Bookstore. For more information about reading deadlines and using different editions of the texts, consult the Getting Started tab and the General Discussion forum on our OWL course site. Always read ahead whenever possible .

Fairy Tales

Unit 2: Revisionist Fairy Tales

Robert Munsch, *The Paper Bag Princess*

Emma Donoghue, "The Tale of the Handkerchief" (available in the Learner Resources folder on our OWL course site)

Read the following stories from *Folk and Fairy Tales*:

"The Company of Wolves" – Angela Carter

"When the Clock Strikes" – Tanith Lee

Unit 3: Natalie Babbitt, *Tuck Everlasting*

Nonsense

Unit 4: Elizabeth Matterson, comp. *This Little Puffin* (OR, read the nursery rhymes here:

<http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/nursery-rhyme-words>)

Dennis Lee, *Alligator Pie*

Unit 5: Edward Lear, *The Complete Nonsense of Edward Lear*

Read the following poems and stories:

"Self-Portrait of the Laureate of Nonsense"

All limericks (these can be found at <http://www.nonsenselit.org/Lear/learwk.html>)

"The Owl and the Pussy-Cat"

"The Jumblies"

"The Story of the Four Little Children Who Went Round the World"

"The Dong with the Luminous Nose"

"The Pobble Who Has No Toes"

Unit 6: Lewis Carroll, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking-Glass*

Adventure

Unit 7: Robert Louis Stevenson, *Treasure Island*

Unit 8: Beatrix Potter, *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*

Unit 9: J.M. Barrie,



Final Exam :

The final exam for this course will have an open-book “take-home” format. The exam questions will be posted on OWL 24 hours prior to the start of the scheduled exam time slot, and students must upload their answers to OWL prior to the end of that scheduled time slot. For more information, see the Final Exam Information section in the Learner Resources folder on our OWL course site. Please note that you may not use a Self-Reported Absence for the final exam; anyone who is unable to write the exam must obtain permission for a special exam through academic counselling in their home faculty.

Contacting your instructor :

EMAIL

I am happy to communicate with students by e-mail. Please allow 24 hours for a response on weekdays and 48 hours on weekends. Students must check their UWO email regularly for messages pertinent to the course. Message

- 8) For short quotations, indicate the page number(s) in parentheses after the quotation marks and before the end punctuation. For long, indented quotations, place the parentheses after the end punctuation. Do not use abbreviations such as p. or pp. or include the author's name if the identity of the author is clear from the context.
- 9) List all the works you have referred to in a Works Cited list at the end of your paper.

There is a useful online guide to MLA style at the following address:

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/> Should you need more detailed information, the comprehensive *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* is available at Western Libraries.

#### Late Penalty and Extensions:

Late essays will be penalized 2% per day, including weekends, unless the student has received an extension. Students must ask for extensions well in advance of the due date and offer a good reason for the extension (academic workload, job schedule conflicts, and vacations are not good reasons). No extension will be given to any student on the day the assignment is due. Essays that are more than 7 days late will not be accepted.

If you miss an exam or an essay due date, or if you require an extension at the last minute on medical or compassionate grounds, you must notify your academic counsellor immediately and follow the procedure below.

#### Accommodation Policies

##### Academic Consideration for Missed Work

Students who are seeking academic consideration for missed work during the semester may submit a self-reported absence form online provided that the absence is 48 hours or less and the other conditions specified in the Senate policy are met. See policy here:

[https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic\\_policies/appeals/Academic\\_Consideration\\_for\\_absences.pdf](https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/Academic_Consideration_for_absences.pdf).

Students whose absences are expected to last longer than 48 hours, or where the other conditions detailed in the policy are not met (e.g., work is worth more than 30% of the final grade, the student has already used up their self-reported absences, the absence is during the final exam period), may receive academic consideration by submitting a Student Medical Certificate (for illness) or other appropriate documentation (for compassionate grounds). The Student Medical Certificate is available online at

[https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic\\_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf](https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf).

All students pursuing academic consideration, regardless of type, must contact their instructors no less than 24 hours following the end of the period of absence to clarify how they will be expected to fulfill the academic responsibilities missed during their absence. Students are reminded that they should consider carefully the implications of postponing tests or midterm exams or delaying submission of work, and are encouraged to make appropriate decisions based on their specific circumstances.

Students with disabilities work with Accessible Education (formerly SSD) which provides recommendations for accommodation based on medical documentation or psychological and cognitive testing. The accommodation policy can be found here: [Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities](#).

Students should also note that individual instructors are not