



# NORTHGATE ACADEMY

## English 11 - Course Syllabus

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### Description:

The highlights of American literature that have thrilled readers through the years are included in this class for eleventh grade. The broad study of various types of literature helps students to love and appreciate the literature of our country. Authors include Irving, Cooper, Whittier, Clemens, Frost, and many others. Transcendentalism and the literary trends of the twentieth century are not simply accepted as "art" but are evaluated in light of the Scriptures for the students' edification. America's great preachers, hymn writers, statesmen, and Bible scholars are given their rightful place in American literature.

**Textbook:** American Literature (A Beka – Code 202428)

### Course objectives:

- Read famous works of American Literature and learn to analyze and appreciate them.
- Show understanding of material through written assignments, quizzes, and final exam.

### Contents:

#### Semester A

Unit 1 – America for Me	Unit 5 – An Early American Collection
Unit 2 – American Humor and Legends	Unit 6 – The Beginning of Romanticism
Unit 3 – The American Short Story	Unit 7 – The Fireside Poets
Unit 4 – American Drama	Unit 8 – Transcendentalism: The Recurring Failure

#### Semester B

Unit 9 – The Voice of the People	Unit 13 – Biography and Autobiography
Unit 10 – Devotional Writings	Unit 14 – Modern Poetry
Unit 11 – New Voices in Poetry	Unit 15 – Modern Fiction
Unit 12 – Realism and Local Color	

### Grading Scale

**A = 90-100%**  
**B = 80-89%**  
**C = 70-79%**  
**D = 60-69%**  
**F = under 59%**

### Grade Weighting

**Quizzes..... 35%**  
**Written Assignments... 35%**  
**Final Exam..... 30%**  
**100%**