

# English Language Arts 12 Honors

## Course Overview and Syllabus

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**Course Number:** ELA3012 Honors

**Grade level:** 12

**Prerequisite Courses:** ELA11

**Credits:** 1.0

### Course Description

This senior-year English Language Arts 12 Honors course provides engaging and rigorous lessons with a focus on academic inquiry to strengthen your knowledge of language arts. Honors reading lessons support you in analyzing complex texts, while concise mini-lessons advance your writing and research skills to help you craft strong, compelling essays and projects. You will write argumentative and analytical essays based on literary texts, as well as an informative research paper using MLA style. You will have opportunities to show your creativity by creating a slideshow presentation, writing social commentary in a blog entry, and writing a narrative based on *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*. You will also read from additional texts, such as *The Smithsonian's History of America in 101 Objects*, to enrich your understanding of the concepts presented in the ELA 12 Honors course.

### Course Objectives

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Extend your knowledge of literature presented in the ELA12 Honors course.
- Demonstrate sophistication in the writing process.
- Use technology to produce high-quality written works and presentations.
- Refine academic research practices.
- Demonstrate a firm grasp of literary analysis and argumentative writing.
- Prepare for college-level coursework.

### Student Expectations

This course requires the same level of commitment from you as a traditional classroom course. You are expected to spend approximately seven hours per week online on:

- interactive lessons that include a mixture of instructional videos and tasks.
- assignments in which you apply skills and strategies taught in each lesson.
- assessments, including quizzes, tests, and cumulative exams.

## Communication

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## Grading Policy

You will be graded on the work you do online and the work you submit electronically to your teacher. The weighting for each category of graded activity is listed below.

Grading Category	Weight
Quiz	20%
Test	30%
Exam	20%
Essay	15%
Assignment	10%
Project	5%

## Scope and Sequence

When you log into Edgenuity, you can view the entire course map—an interactive scope and sequence of the Honors coursework. The units are summarized below:

**Unit 1:** Epic Beginnings

**Unit 2:** From the Middle Ages through the Renaissance

**Unit 3:** Life in the Renaissance

**Unit 4:** Elizabethan Drama: *The Tragedy of Hamlet*

**Unit 5:** The Enlightenment in England

**Unit 6:** Romanticism in England

**Unit 7:** The Gothic Novel: *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*

**Unit 8:** 19th-Century England

**Unit 9:** The First Half of the 20th Century

**Unit 10:** Cultural Reflections in Art and Artifacts

**Unit 11:** Contemporary Voices

**Unit 12:** Success and Planning for the Future