

Bordentown Regional High School - 2019-2020

English 11 Summer Course Preparation

Welcome to English 11 and the study of British Literature. Throughout the semester, we will be studying British Literature as a production of a cultural and historical moment. Part of this instruction will be to understand the different tribes, belief systems, and conflicts that shaped Early British Culture. Your course will center around a study of the evolution of the English Language from its inception to the modern day. The nonfiction reading you have been assigned as you prepare for the course will provide you some background information on the early groups that settled, conquered, and shaped what we now call England. The readings will be assessed at the beginning of your specific semester: Fall or Spring. It is important that you gain a general understanding of the information provided so that it reduces your reading load during the year itself. Please pay attention to key elements in the nonfiction readings provided:

- ***Tribal Invasions***
- ***Changes in Political Structure***
- ***Changes in Religious Structure***
- ***Changes in Language***
- ***Important Leaders***
- ***Literary Advancements***
- ***Important Cultural Elements of the Germanic Tribes***

All of these topics will be reinforced and used in your first unit. Being that you are about to study a new culture, the basic elements that shaped that culture will aid you in starting to understand the literature.

Good luck and we look forward to working with you next school year.

The assignment is also posted to Google Classroom - Use your school Google account to sign in (classroom.google.com)

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