

American Literature Final Exam Review

You must be familiar with the meanings of the following terms and lives and writings of the following authors.

Prose Terms

Character

- Antagonist
- Protagonist

Plot

- Rising Action
- Climax
- Falling Action
- Conflict
- Resolution

Point of View

- First Person Point of View
- Third Person Objective Point of View
- Third Person Omniscient Point of View
- Third Person Limited Point of View
- Tone

Setting

Theme

Poetic Terms

Assonance

Catalog

Free Verse

Stanza

Figurative Language

Allegory

Alliteration

Allusion

Hyperbole

Imagery

Metaphor

Symbol

Personification

Simile

Colonial/Revolutionary Terms

Cavalier

Church of England

“City upon a hill”

Deism

Divine Mission

Gentlemen Farmers

Great Awakening

Grace

Humanitarianism

Original Sin

Plain Style

Predetermination

Puritan

Rationalism

Romantic/Transcendental Terms

Aphorism

Classicism

Divine Soul

Legend

Parable

Romanticism

Romantic Hero

Transcendentalism

Authors

William Bradford

William Byrd

Anne Bradstreet

Benjamin Franklin

Patrick Henry

Thomas Paine

Michel-Guillaume Jean de Crevecoeur

Washington Irving

James Fenimore Cooper

William Cullen Bryant

Edgar Allen Poe

Nathaniel Hawthorne

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Henry David Thoreau

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

John Greenleaf Whittier

Oliver Wendell Holmes

Emily Dickinson

Walt Whitman