Part I Reading Lists

*Required Reading

*Adams, John and Abigail Adams. Your selections from *The Letters of Abigail and John*

*Ashbridge, Elizabeth. *Some Account of the Early Part of the Life*

*Bradford, William. *Of Plymouth Plantation*


"Epistle to the Reader. by John Woodbridge"

Introductory verses by Nathaniel Ward, John Rogers, and John Woodbridge

"The Prologue"

"In Honour of Du Bartas"

"In Honour of Queen Elizabeth"

"Contemplations"

"The Flesh and the Spirit"

"The Author to her Book"

"Before the Birth of One of Her Children"

"A Letter to Her Husband Absent upon Public Employment"

"In Reference to her Children"

"In Memory of Anne Bradstreet"

"To My Dear Children"

"My Dear Children"

"Upon the Burning of Our House"

"As Weary Pilgrim"
*Brown, Charles Brockden. *Alcuin, Wieland*

*Cabeza de Vaca. *Relation of Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca*


*Discourses of Race, Identity, and Nation (Heath Anthology)*:

Aupaumut, Hendrick (Mahican). From "A Short Narration of My Last Journey to the Western Contry"

Equiano, Olaudah. From The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano, or Gustavus Vassa, The African. Written by Himself

Hall, Prince. "To the Honorable Council & House of Representatives for the State of Massachusetts-Bay…The Petition of a great number of Negroes;" "A Charge, Delivered to the African Lodge"

Hammon, Briton. *Narrative of the Uncommon Sufferings and Surprising Deliverance of Briton Hammon*

Hammon, Jupiter. "An Evening Thought: Salvation by Christ, with Penetential Cries," "An Address to Miss Phillis Wheatly [sic], Ethiopian Poetess"

Haynes, Lemuel. "Liberty Further Extended: Or Free Thoughts on the Illegality of Slave-keeping"

Occom, Samson. A Short Narrative of My Life, "A Sermon Preached by Samson Occom"

*Early American Jeremiads*:

Danforth, Samuel. "New-England's Errand into the Wilderness"

Shepard, Jr., Thomas. "Eye-Salve"

Wigglesworth, Michael. "God's Controversy with New-England"


*Foster, Hannah. The Coquette*

*Franklin, Benjamin. "Way to Wealth," Autobiography*


"The Power of Fancy"
"A Political Litany" (HA)

"To Sir Toby" (HA)

"The Hurricane"

"The Wild Honey Suckle"

"To an Author"

"On the Universality and Other Attributes of the God of Nature"

"On Observing a Large Red-streak Apple" (HA)

"The Indian Burying Ground"

"The Indian Student"

"On the Causes of Political Degeneracy" (HA)

"On Mr. Paine’s Rights of Man"

"The Rising Glory of America" (with Brackenridge)

"The Deserted Farmhouse"

"To a Caty-Did"

"The House of Night"

"The Vanity of Existence"


*Jefferson, Thomas. *Declaration of Independence, Notes on the State of Virginia*

*Mather, Cotton. *Magnalia Christi Americana* 2 vols. 1702:

Part I: Antiquities

Part II: Governors (Bradford; Winthrop; Phips)

Part III: Ministers (Intro; Johannes in Eremo; Norton; Davenport; Appendix--Hooker)

Part IV: Harvard (Jonathan Mitchell)
Part V: Synods (first three parts)

Part VI: Remarkable Providences (none) Part VII: Wars of the Lord (all)


*Native American Oral Literatures. Selections of narrative and poetry from *The Heath Anthology of American Literature* and *The Norton Anthology of American Literature*


*Rowlandson, Mary White. *Narrative of the Captivity and Restauration*

*Rowson, Susanna. *Charlotte Temple*

*Satire in the Eighteenth Century:

Barlow, Joel. "Advice to a Raven in Russia," "The Hasty Pudding"

Brackenridge, Hugh Henry. *Modern Chivalry*

Dwight, Timothy. "The Triumph of Infidelity," your selections from *Greenfield Hill*


Tyler, Royall. *The Contrast*


*Sewall, Samuel. Your selections from the *Diary*, "The Selling of Joseph"

*Shepard, Thomas. *Autobiography*

*St. John Crevecoeur, J. Hector. *Letters from an American Farmer*


From the *Preparatory Meditations*:

Prologue, Series I.1-I.8, Series II.1, II.26, II.43, II.50, II.60B

II.115
Gods Determinations touching his Elect

From Minor Poetry:

"Upon a Spider Catching a Fly"

"Huswifery"

"Upon Wedlock, & Death of Children"

"The Ebb & Flow"

"Dove Letter" and "Dove Poem" (1674)

"Were but my Muse an Huswife Good"

"Funerall Poem upon the Death of my ever Endeared, & tender Wife"

"A Valediction to all the World preparatory for Death" (Version 1)

"A Fig for thee Oh! Death" (Version 2)


Prefatorial materials from the first edition

"To Maecenas"

"On Virtue"

"To the University of Cambridge, in New-England"

"On Being Brought from Africa to America"

"On the Death of the Rev. Mr. George Whitefield. 1770."

"Thoughts on the Works of Providence"

"To a Clergyman on the Death of His Lady"

"On Recollection"

"On Imagination"
"A Funeral Poem on the Death of C.E. an Infant of Twelve Months"

"To the Right Honourable William, Earl of Dartmouth"

"On the Death of J.C. an Infant"

"To S.M. a Young African Painter, on Seeing His Works"

"America"

"To the King's Most Excellent Majesty"

"To His Excellency George Washington"

"Liberty and Peace"

Letters (Mason edition) to Tanner, Occom, and Thornton


"Woolman, John. Journal, "Some Consideration on Keeping of Negroes"

For Further Reading


Allen, Ethan. Reason the Only Oracle of Man

Bartram, William. Travels

Bellamy, Joseph. The Wisdom of God in the Permission of Sin

Beverly, Robert. History and Present State...of Virginia

Briant, Lemuel. "The Absurdity of Depreciating Moral Virtue"

Brown, Charles Brockden. Ormond, Arthur Mervyn,

Bulkeley, Peter. The Gospel-Covenant


Calef, Robert. More Wonders of the Invisible World

Colman, Benjamin. *Practical Discourses on…The Ten Virgins*

Columbus, Christopher. (in the words of Bartolome de Las Casas), selections from *Journal of the First Voyage to America, 1492-1493*, and from *Narrative of The Third Voyage, 1498-1500*

Cook, Ebenezer. *The Sot-Weed Factor*


Davenport, John. *The Saint's Anchor Hold*

de la Cruz, Sor Juana Ines. *Respuesta*, selected *Poems* (Peden or Trueblood edition)


Dummer, Jeremiah. *Vindication of the Charters*

Dunlap, William. *Andre*

Early American Jeremiads:

Mitchell, Jonathan. "Nehemiah on the Wall"


Hamilton, et. al., Alexander. *The Federalist*

Hooker, Thomas. *The Poor Doubting Christian, The Soul's Implanting*

Hopkins, Samuel. *System of Doctrines*

Hutchinson, Thomas. *History of Massachusetts Bay*

Jefferson, Thomas. "Summary View of the Rights…," misc. Letters and Addresses, including letters to and from John Adams
Johnson, Edward. *Wonder-Working Providence of Sion's Saviour*

Knight, Sarah Kemble. *Journal*

Langdon, Samuel. "Government Corrupted by Vice"

Leonard, Daniel. "*Massachusettensis*" Letters

Lewis, Richard. "Journey from Patapsko to Annapolis"


Mather, Increase. *The Life of Richard Mather, "The Mystery of Israel's Salvation, Remarkable Providences*

Mather et. al, Richard. *Bay Psalm Book*


Morton, Thomas. *The New England Canaan*

Murray, Judith Sargent. *The Medium, or Virtue Triumphant* (drama), *The Story of Margareta from The Gleaner*


Oliver, Peter. *Origin and Progress of America's Rebellion*

Paine, Thomas. *The Rights of Man*

Palou, Francisco. *Life of Junipero Serra*

Perez de Villagra, Gaspar. *The History of New Mexico* (epic poem)

Satire in the Eighteenth Century:

Barlow, Joel. "The Prospect of Peace," *Vision of Columbus*

Brackenridge, Hugh Henry. *The Rising Glory of America*

Dwight, Timothy. *Travels in New England and New York, "Columbia*
Tyler, Royall. *The Algerine Captive*

Warren, Mercy Otis. *The Group*, selections from *Poems Dramatic and Miscellaneous*

Shepard, Thomas. *The Sound Believer, Parable of the Ten Virgins*, Preface to *Defence of the Answer*

Smith, John. *The General History of Virginia*

St. John Crevecoeur, J. Hector. *Sketches of Eighteenth Century America*

Stiles, Ezra. "Discourse on the Christian Union," "The U.S. Elevated to Glory"

Stockton, Elizabeth Boudinot. Selections from *Only for the Eye of a Friend: The Poetry of Elizabeth Boudinot Stockton*

Stoddard, Solomon. *An Appeal to the Learned, The Doctrine of the Instituted Churches, The Safety of Appearing*

Taylor, Edward. *Treatise Concerning the Lord’s Supper, Christographia*

Ward, Nathaniel. *The Simple Cobbler of Agawam*

Washington, George. "Farewell Address"

Webster, Noah. *Dissertations on the American Language*

West, Samuel. "A Sermon Preached...May 29, 1776"

Williams, John. *The Redeemed Captive Returning to Zion*

Williams, Roger. *A Key into the Language of America, The Bloody Tenent of Persecution*

Winthrop, John. "Reasons...for the Intended Plantation in N.E."

Wise, John. *Vindication of the Churches*

**Recommended Poems From Non-Asterisked Authors**


"To Laura"

"Epistle, To Lucius"
"A Poetical Epistle, Addressed by a Lady of New Jersey, to Her Niece, upon Her Marriage"

"The Vision, an Ode to Washington"

"To Miss Mary Stockton[,], an epistle upon some gentleman refusing to admit ladies of their circle…

"On the death of General Montgomery"

"On hearing of the news of the capture of Lord Cornwallis" together with Lucinda and Aminta, a pastoral, on the capture of Lord Cornwallis and the British army, by General Washington"

"Peace, A Pastoral Dialogue--Part the second-- (Aminta and Lucinda cont.)

Stockton writes a series of poems on Washington, often enclosed within letters (see Mulford edition), select and cull:

"To General Washington [Aug. 26, 1783]

"To General Washington[,] An Epistle Sesptr 24th 1783

"Addressed to General Washington, in the year 1777"

"Epistle to General Washington [May 26, 1787]

"To the President of the United States"

"The Vision, an Ode to Washington"

"An ode on the birth day of the illustrious George Washington"

"An Elegiack Ode on the 28th day of February [1782]. The anniversary of Mr. [Stockton's] death"

"Anniversary Elegy on the Death of Mr Stockton the 28th of Feb 1783"

"Elegy on the death of Mrs. Dickinson"

Warren, Mercy Otis. Selections from Poems Dramatic and Miscellaneous (1790)

"To Mrs. Montague"

"A Political Reverie"

"On the Death of Mrs. S.--------

"The Squabble of the Sea Nymphs"
"To a Young Lady"

"To the Hon. J. WINTHROP, Esq."

"To Fidelio, Long absent on the great public Cause, which agitated all America, in 1776"

"To Honoraria, on her Journey to Dover, 1777"

"On the Deth of the Hon. JOHN WINTHROP . . . Addressed to his Lady"

"The Genius of America weeping the absurd Follies of the Day"

"To Mr Adams"

"A Thought on the Inestimable Blessing of Reason"

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