

20c American Literature 1900-1945
Professor Richard Yarborough

Primary: (30 texts)

1. Kate Chopin: The Awakening (1899).
2. Charles W. Chesnutt: The Marrow of Tradition (1901).
3. Henry James: The Beast in the Jungle (1903).
4. Thomas Dixon: The Clansmen (1905).
5. Edith Wharton: The House of Mirth (1905).
6. Upton Sinclair: The Jungle (1906).
7. Gertrude Stein: Three Lives (1909).
8. James Weldon Johnson: The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man (1912)
9. Jack London: The Iron Heel (1912).
10. Edith Eaton: Mrs. Spring Fragrance (1912).
11. Maria Cristina Mena: Collected Stories (1914).
12. Charlotte Perkins Gilman: Herland (1915).
13. Willa Cather: My Antonia (1918).
14. Sherwood Anderson: Winesburg, Ohio (1919).
15. T.S. Eliot: The Waste Land (1922).
16. Jean Toomer: Cane (1923).
17. William Carlos Williams: Spring and All (1923)
18. Anzia Yezierska: The Bread-Givers (1925)
19. Langston Hughes: The Weary Blues (1925).
20. Ernest Hemingway: The Sun Also Rises (1926).
21. F. Scott Fitzgerald: The Great Gatsby (1925).
22. Nella Larsen: Passing (1929), Quicksand (1928).
23. Agnes Smedley: Daughter of Earth (1929).
24. William Faulkner: Absalom, Absalom (1936)
25. Sinclair Lewis: It Can't Happen Here (1935).
26. Zora Neale Hurston: And Their Eyes Were Watching God (1937).
27. John Steinbeck: The Grapes of Wrath (1939).

28. Jovita Gonzalez: Caballero: A Historical Novel (1930's, 1996).
29. Richard Wright: Uncle Tom's Children (1938), Native Son (1940).
30. Chester Himes: If He Hollers Let Him Go (1945).

Secondary (10 texts)

1. W.E.B. DuBois: The Souls of Black Folk (1903).
2. Mark Seltzer: Bodies and Machines (1992).
3. Eric Sundquist: To Wake the Nations: Race and the Making of American Literature (1992).
4. Barbara Foley: Radical Representations (1993).
5. Toni Morrison: Playing in the Dark (1993).
6. Michael North: The Dialect of Modernism: Race, Language, and Twentieth Century Literature (1994).
7. Alan M. Wald: Writing From the Left: New Essays on Radical Culture and Politics (1994).
8. Phillip Wegner: Utopia, the Nation, and the Spatial Histories of Modernity (2002)
9. Bill Brown: A Sense of Things (2003)
10. Alexander G. Weheliye: Habeas Viscus: Racializing Assemblages, Biopolitics, and Black Feminist Theories of the Human (2014).