

# New Westminster Online Learning School

## English Studies 12:

### Course Description

English Studies 12 helps you grow as a reader, writer, and thinker. You will explore different texts to better understand yourself, others, and the world. The course encourages critical and creative thinking, reflective listening, and clear communication. It follows the [English Studies 12 BC curriculum](#). It is inspired by the [First Peoples Principles of Learning](#), supporting well-being of self, family, community, and the land, and recognizing that learning takes time, patience, and connection.

### Big Ideas

- Stories help us understand ourselves and others.
- People interpret texts based on worldviews.
- Texts are shaped by culture, history, and place.
- Language influences ideas and actions.
- First Peoples' texts support Reconciliation.

\* The curricular competency and learning standards are available [here](#).

### Expectations and Guidelines

- Students need to submit the first activity within 2 weeks of enrolling. They are expected to log in at least three times a week. (If they do not log in for more than a week, participate, or communicate with the instructor, they will receive two notifications via Brightspace course mail. No response within a week may lead to withdrawal.)
- A maximum of two activities may be submitted per week. (This course will take a minimum of 6 weeks to finish. Students should complete it in about 4 months.)
- Students are expected to use *Brightspace course mail* to contact the instructor.
- All submitted work must be original and reflect the student's own thinking. If authorship is unclear, supervised in-class handwritten writing may be arranged by the instructor to support academic integrity.

## Course Content

Module	Activities
Module 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Course Introduction Module Quiz</li></ul>
Module 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A1: Listening Quiz</li><li>• A2: Share Your View</li><li>• A3: Photo Narrative</li></ul>
Module 2:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A4: Oral Composition/Presentation</li></ul>
Module 3:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A5: Reading Quiz</li><li>• A6: Personal Composition</li></ul>
Module 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A7: Reading Quiz</li><li>• A8: Argumentative Composition</li></ul>
Module 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A9: Project</li><li>• A10: Final Reflection</li></ul>

## Student Learning Activities

- All lessons, assignments, and assessments are online and include text, videos, and website links. Students are expected to keep a binder with handwritten notes and rough work. This supports deeper learning, even in an online course, and may be reviewed by the instructor upon request.

## Assessment

Assessment includes written and oral compositions, reading quizzes, a project, and a final reflection. Most work is done online, but some quizzes need to be done on site (at New Westminster Secondary School).

Rubrics and grading criteria are provided for each assignment and should be reviewed before submitting work. A draft may be emailed for feedback before final submission, or support can be requested during the teacher's office hours. To schedule an appointment, students are encouraged to contact the teacher using Brightspace course mail.

A midterm mark can be requested after completing at least 50% of the course. The instructor must be notified at least two weeks in advance. For final marks needed for post-secondary applications, all coursework must be completed at least two weeks before the institution's deadline.

Final marks are based on overall progress and how well learning standards are met with a focus on fairness and consistency.

\*Work cannot be submitted during breaks. Students are encouraged to use these times to rest and recharge.

**Resources**

All materials are online, so access to a reliable internet is essential. No textbook or workbook is required.

You will need a three-ring binder to organize and keep your handwritten (rough) notes.

**Thank you.**