ENG 211: American Literature 1

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Final Exam Quotation Guide

QUOTE: T’was mercy brought me from my pagan land,

Taught my benighted soul to understand

That there’s a God, that there’s a saviour too:

Once I redemption neither sought nor knew.

SOURCE: Phillis Wheatley, “On Being Brought from Africa to America”

QUOTE: Have republics in practice been less addicted to war than monarchies? Are not the former administered by men as well as the latter? Are there not aversions, predilections, rivalships and desires to unjust acquisition that affect nations as well as kings? Are not popular assemblies frequently subject to the impulses of rage, resentment, jealousy, avarice, and of other irregular and violent propensities?

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Alexander Hamilton TITLE : Federalist Papers No.6 BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Heath Vol. A pg 1123

QUOTE: It would be thought a hard Government that should tax its People one tenth Part of their Time, to be employed in its Service. But Idleness taxes many of us much more, if we reckon all that is spent in absolute Sloth, or doing of nothing, with that which is spent in idle Employments or Amusements, that amount to nothing.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Benjamin Franklin TITLE : The Way to Wealth BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Heath Vol A. pg 914

QUOTE: I married, and this perfectly reconciled me to my situation; my wife rendered my house all at once cheerful and pleasing; it no longer appeared gloomy and solitary as before; when I went to work in my fields, I worked with more alacrity and sprightliness; I felt that I did not work for myself alone, and this encouraged me much.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : John de Crevecoeur TITLE : Letters from an American Farmer BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Vol A. pg 1011

QUOTE: I desire you would Remember the Ladies, and be generous and favourable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of Husbands. Remember all Men would be tyrants if they could.

SOURCE: Abigail Adams. “Latter from Abigail Adams to John Adams, March 31,1776

QUOTE: In most families, it is considered a matter of far more consequence to call a girl off from making a pie, or a pudding, than to interrupt her whilst engaged in her studies.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Sarah Moore Grimke TITLE : Letters on the Equality of the Sexes, and the Condition of Woman BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2445

QUOTE: But when a long train of abuses and usurpatations, persuing invariably the same object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute depotism, it is their duty to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Elizabeth Stanton TITLE : Declaration of Sentiments BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Vol.B 2478

QUOTE: “He has endeavored, in every way that he could, to destroy her confidence in her own powers, to lessen her self- respect, and to make her willing to lead a dependent and abject to life.”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Elizabeth Cady Staton TITLE : Declaration of Sentiments BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Vol. B Pg. 2479

QUOTE: I wanted to say a few words about this matter. I am woman’s rights. I have as much muscle as any man, and can do as much work as any man.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Sojourner Truth TITLE : Speech at the Akron, Ohio, Women’s Rights Meeting BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE):

QUOTE: You need not afraid to give us our rights for fear we will take too much for confusion, and don’t know what to do.

SOURCE: Sojourner Truth. *Speech at the Akron, Ohio, Women’s Rights Meeting.* Vol. B. Pg. 2459

QUOTE: I don’t feel patriotic.

SOURCE: Fanny Fern. *Independence.* Vol. B. Pg. 2471

QUOTE: The inhabitants rush en masse-“wife! Will you leave off scriblining?”(Don’t be disagreeable, Smith, I’m just getting inspired,) to the public square where De Begnis, who had been secretly-“Butcher wants to see you, ma’am”-secretly informed of the traitors’-“Forgot which you said, ma’am, sausages or mutton chop”-movements, gave orders to fire; not less than twenty-My gracious! Smith, you have n’t been reversing that child all this time; he’s as black as your coat; and that boy of yours has torn up the first sheet of my manuscript. There! It’s no use for a married woman to cultivate her intellect-smith, hand me those twins.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Fanny Fern TITLE : Mrs. Adolphus Smith Sporting the “Blue Stocking” BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Vol.B 2468

QUOTE: Everybody knows what an everlasting drizzle of rain we have had lately, but nobody but a woman, and a woman who lives on fresh air and out-door exercise, knows the thraldom of taking her daily walk through a three weeks' rain, with skirts to hold up, and umbrella to hold down, and puddles to skip over, and gutters to walk round, and all the time in a fright lest, in an unguarded moment, her calves should become visible to some one of those rainy-day philanthropists who are interested in the public study of female anatomy.

SOURCE: Fanny Fern. “A Law More Nice Than Just”*.* Vol B. Pg. 2469

QUOTE: I have no accurate knowledge of my age, never having seen any authentic record containing it. By far the larger part of slaves know as little of their ages as horses know of theirs, and it is the wish of most masters within my knowledge to keep their slaves thus ignorant.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Frederick Douglass TITLE : Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Vol B. pg 2171

QUOTE: Never having enjoyed, to any considerable extent, her soothing presence, her tender and watchful care, I received the tidings of her death with much the same emotions I should have probably felt at the death of a stranger.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Douglass TITLE: Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2172

QUOTE: But, alas! this kind heart had but a short time to remain such. The fatal poison of irresponsible power was already in her hands, and soon commenced its infernal work. That cheerful eye, under the influence of slavery, soon became red with rage; that voice, made all of sweet accord, changed to one of harsh and horrid discord; and that angelic face gave place to that of a demon.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Douglass TITLE: Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2187

QUOTE: The 4th of July is the first great fact in your nation’s history- the very ring-bolt in the chain of your yet undeveloped destiny.

SOURCE: Frederick Douglass. *What to the Slave Is the Fourth of July?* Vol. B. Pg. 2238

QUOTE:” I always had the praise o` raisin the tallest and fattest, and sassiest gals in all America. They can out-run, out-jump, out-fight, and out-scream any critur in creation; and for scratchin; thar`s not a hungry painter, or a patent horse-rake can hold a claw to `em”

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Davy Crockett TITLE : Crockett’s Daughters , Vol B, Pg2490

QUOTE: To speak truly, few adult persons can see nature.

SOURCE: Ralph Wado Emerson. Nature*.* Vol. B. Pg. 1827

QUOTE: And as the eye is the best composer, so light is the first of painters.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Ralph Waldo Emerson TITLE : Nature BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 1829

QUOTE: “I became a transparent eyeball; I am nothing, I see all; the currents of the Universal Being circulate through me; I am part or particle of God”

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Ralph Waldo Emerson TITLE: Nature, Vol B, Pg.1827

QUOTE: We are taught by great actions that the universe is the property of every individual in it.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson. Nature*.* Vol. B. Pg. 1831

QUOTE: Nature is a sea of forms radically alike and even unique. A leaf, a sun-beam, a landscape, the ocean, make an analogous impression on the mind. What is common to them all,--that perfectness and harmony, is beauty.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Emerson TITLE: Nature BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 1833

QUOTE: A man should learn to detect and watch that gleam of light which flashes across his mind from within, more than the lustre of the firmament of bards and sages. Yet he dismisses without notice his thought, because it is his.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Ralph Waldo Emerson TITLE : Self Reliance BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 1869

QUOTE: That government is best which governs least.

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau. *Resistance to Civil Government.* Vol. B. Pg. 1979

QUOTE: What is the price-current of an honest man and patriot to-day? They hesitate, and they regret, and sometimes they petition; but they do nothing in earnest and with effect. They will wait, well-disposed, for others to remedy the evil, that they may no longer have it to regret. At most, they give only a cheap vote, and a feeble countenance and God-speed, to the right, as it goes by them. There are nine hundred and ninety-nine patrons of virtue to one virtuous man; but it is easier to deal with the real possessor of a thing than with the temporary guardian of it.

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Thoreau TITLE: Resistance to Civil Government BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 1983

QUOTE: All voting is a sort of gaming, like chequers or backgammon, with a slight moral tinge to it, a playing with right and wrong, with moral questions; and betting naturally accompanies it. The character of the voters is not staked. I cast my vote, perchance, as I think right; but I am not vitally concerned that that right should prevail.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Henry Thoreau TITLE : Resistance to Civil Government BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): Heath Vol.B pg 1983-1984

QUOTE: “Unjust laws exist: shall we be content to obey them, or shall we endeavor to amend them, and obey them until we have succeeded, or shall we transgress them at once?”

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Henry David Thoreau TITLE: Resistance to Civil Government, Vol B, Pg.1985

QUOTE: By Woden, God of Saxons, From whence comes Wensday, that is Wodensday. Truth is a thing that ever I will keep, Unto thylke day in which I creep into, My sepulchre-

SOURCE: Washington Irving. *Rip Van Winkle.* Vol. B. Pg. 2506

QUOTE: They crowded round him, eyeing him from head to foot with great curiosity. The orator bustled up to him, and drawing him partly aside, inquired “On which side he voted?” Rip stared in vacant stupidity. Another short but busy little fellow pulled him by the arm, and, rising on tiptoe, inquired in his ear, “Whether he was Federal or Democrat?”

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Irving TITLE: Rip Van Winkle BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2515

QUOTE: Eagerly I wished the morrow;—vainly I had sought to borrow  
From my books surcease of sorrow—sorrow for the lost Lenore—  
For the rare and radiant maiden whom the angels name Lenore—  
               Nameless *here* for evermore.

SOURCE: Edgar Allan Poe, “The Raven”

QUOTE: But even yet I refrained and kept still. I scarcely breathed. I held the lantern motionless. I tried how steadily I could maintain the ray upon the eye. Meantime the hellish tattoo? of the heart increased. It grew quicker and quicker, and louder and louder every instant. The old man's terror must have been extreme! It grew louder, I say, louder every moment! --do you mark me well? I have told you that I am nervous: so I am!

SOURCE: Edgar Allen Poe. “The Tell-Tale Heart.*”* Vol B. Pg. 2729

QUOTE:

But our love it was stronger by far than the love

Of those who were older than we—

Of many far wiser than we—

And neither the angels in heaven above,

Nor the demons down under the sea,

Can ever dissever my soul from the soul

Of the beautiful ANNABEL LEE:

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Poe TITLE: Annabel Lee BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2768

QUOTE: And so, all the night-tide, I lie down by the side

Of my darling—my darling—my life and my bride,

In the sepulcher there by the sea—

In her tomb by the sounding sea.

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Edgar Allen Poe TITLE : Annabel Lee BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): The Heath Anthology of American Literature/Vol B/ Pg#2768

QUOTE: Oh, how stubbornly does love-or even that cunning semblance of love which flourishes in the imagination, but strikes no depth of root into the heart-how stubbornly does it hold faith, until the moment come, when it is doomed to vanish into thin mist!

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Nathanial Hawthorne TITLE : Rappaccini’s Duaghter BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2668

QUOTE: “There was an awful doom,” she continued,-- “the effect of my father’s fatal love of science—which estranged me from all society of my kind. Until Heaven sent thee, dearest Giovanni, oh! how lonely was thy poor Beatrice!”

SOURCE: AUTHOR: Hawthorne TITLE: Rappaccini’s Daughter BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 2673

QUOTE:

I’ve known her—rom an ample nation—

Choose one—

Then—close the Valves of her attention

Like Stone—

SOURCE: AUTHOR : Emily Dickinson TITLE : The Soul Selects her own Society BOOK/VOL/PAGE# (IF APPLICABLE): 3353

QUOTE: I saw battle-corpses, myriads of them,

And the white skeletons of young men, I saw them,

I saw the debris and debris of all the dead soldiers of the war,

But I saw they were not as was thought,

They themselves were fully at rest, they suffer'd not,

The living remain'd and suffer'd, the mother suffer'd,

And the wife and the child and the musing comrade suffer'd,

And the armies that remain'd suffer'd.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, “When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom’d”,

QUOTE: I can out-run, out-jump, out-brag, out-drink, an’ out-fight, rough-an’-tumble, no holts barred, ary man on both sides the river from Pittsburgh to New Orleans an’ back ag’in to St. Louiee.

SOURCE: Mike Fink TITLE : Mike Fink’s Brag