

Paideia

SPRING 2009 Common Syllabus

SPRING 2009 READING LIST:

Students should purchase their own copies of the assigned readings that are not reprinted in the Paideia I Reader. In addition, the Paideia I faculty require that students own a good hardback dictionary such as The American Heritage, The Random House, or The Webster's New Collegiate.

- Arendt, Hannah. *Eichmann in Jerusalem: A Report on the Banality of Evil*. New York: Penguin Classics, 2006.
- Frayn, Michael. *Copenhagen*. New York: Anchor, 2000.
- Jacobs, Harriet. *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*. New York: New American Library, 2000.
- Lunsford, Andrea. A. *Easy Writer: A Pocket Reference*. 3rd ed. New York: Bedford/St. Martin's, 2006.
- Pa Chin. *Family*. Prospect Hts., IL: Waveland Press, 1972.
- Wilkie, Jacqueline, ed. *Paideia I Reader: Spring 2009*. Decorah, IA: Luther College, 2009.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. *A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings of Martin Luther King, Jr.* Ed. James Melvin Washington. San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1986. "I Have a Dream," 217-220. *Paideia I Reader* 35-38. Copyright 1986 by Writers House, Inc. / Literary Agency. Reproduced with permission of Writers house, Inc./Literary Agency in the format Copy via Copyright Clearance Center.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. *A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings of Martin Luther King, Jr.* Ed. James Melvin Washington. San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1986. "Letter from Birmingham City Jail," 289-302. *Paideia I Reader* 41-54. Copyright 1986 by Writers House, Inc./Literary Agency Reproduced with permission of Writers House, Inc./Literary Agency in the format Copy via Copyright Clearance Center.

- Martin Luther King, Jr. *A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings of Martin Luther King, Jr.* Ed. James Melvin Washington. San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1986. "I See the Promised Land," 279-286. *Paideia I Reader* 57-64. Copyright 1986 by Writers House, Inc./Literary Agency. Reproduced with permission of Writers House, Inc./Literary Agency in the format Copy via Copyright Clearance Center.
- Hood, Gavin. *Tsotsi*. DVD. Directed by Gavin Hood. New York, N.Y.: Miramax Home Entertainment; Burbank, CA: Distributed by Buena Vista Home Entertainment, c2006.

SPRING 2009 SYLLABUS: "Freedom and Responsibility"

Wednesday, February 4 (Week I)

- Lecture: *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl* (N. Whitsitt; Valders 117)
- Introduction (*Reader* 15-21) and *Reader* (22-25)
- Harriet Jacobs, *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, Introduction (v-xx)

Friday, February 6

- *Reader* (25-26)
- *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, Chs. I-XI (1-68)

Monday, February 9 (Week II)

- *Reader* (26-27)
- *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, Chs. XII-XX (68-123)

Wednesday, February 11

- *Reader* (27)
- *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, Chs. XXI-XXX (123-180)

Friday, February 13

- *Reader* (27-28)

- *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, Chs. XXXI-Appendix (180-234)
- Common Quiz on *Incidents*

Monday, February 16 (Week III)

- *Research Guide* (86-93)
- Research Unit (Your instructor will provide a detailed syllabus for your section's Research Unit)
- Response Paper on Jacobs due

Wednesday, February 18

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Friday, February 20

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Monday, February 23 (Week IV)

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Wednesday, February 25

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Friday, February 27

- *Reader* (29)
- Lecture: Farah Jasmine Griffin (2:45 p.m., CFL Main Hall)

Monday, March 2 (Week V)

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Wednesday, March 4

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Friday, March 6

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Monday, March 9 (Week VI)

- Research Unit: Consult your section syllabus

Wednesday, March 11

- Lecture: “King, Civil Rights, and the U.S. Rhetoric of Freedom” (L. Williams & J. Wilkie; Valders 117)
- *Reader* (30-34)
- Martin Luther King Jr., “I Have a Dream” (*Reader* 35-38)

Friday, March 13

- *Reader* (39-40)
- Martin Luther King Jr., “Letter from Birmingham City Jail” (*Reader* 41-54)

Monday, March 16 (Week VII)

- *Reader* (39-40)
- Review: Martin Luther King Jr., “Letter from Birmingham City Jail” (*Reader* 41-54)

Wednesday, March 18

- *Reader* (55-56)
- Martin Luther King Jr., “I See the Promised Land” (*Reader* 57-64)
- Common Quiz on Martin Luther King Jr.
- Research Paper due

Friday, March 20

- Midterm Exam

Saturday, March 21 thru Sunday, March 29

- Spring Break

Monday, March 30 (Week VIII)

- *Reader* (65-68)
- Lecture: “Freedom and Responsibility in Pa Chin’s *Family*” (P. Scholl; V117)
- Pa Chin, *Family*, Preface, Chs. 1-6 (1-44)

Wednesday, April 1

- *Reader* (68)
- *Family*, Chs. 7-14 (44-113)

Friday, April 3

- *Reader* (68-69)
- *Family*, Chs. 15-22 (113-186)

Monday, April 6 (Week IX)

- *Reader* (69)
- *Family*, Chs. 23-30 (186-275) and Introduction (v-xxvi)

Wednesday, April 8

- *Reader* (69-70)
- *Family*, Chs. 31-39 (275-329)
- Common Quiz on *Family*

Friday, April 10—Monday, April 13

- Easter Break

Wednesday, April 15

- Lecture: Evil and the Everyday: Moral Agency in Arendt's *Eichmann in Jerusalem* (L. Skitolsky; V117)
- *Reader* (70-72)
- Hannah Arendt, *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, Chs. 1-3 (3-55)

Friday, April 17

- *Reader* (73)
- *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, Chs. 4-6 (56-111)

Monday, April 20 (Week XI)

- *Reader* (73-74)
- *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, Chs. 7-9 (112-161)

Wednesday, April 22

- *Reader* (74)
- *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, Chs. 10-14 (162-233)

Friday, April 24

- *Reader* (75)
- *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, Ch. 15, Epilogue, Postscript (234-298)
- Common Quiz on *Eichmann in Jerusalem*

Monday, April 27 (Week XII)

- Lecture: "But why?": Dramatic Uncertainty in Michael Frayn's *Copenhagen* (M. Muggli; Valders 117)
- *Reader* (75-78)
- Michael Frayn, *Copenhagen*, "Postscript" (95-97); "A diagram outlining *Copenhagen's* scientific

and historical background" (following page 132); *Copenhagen*, introductory materials; Act One, (3-54)

Wednesday, April 29

- *Reader* (78-79)
- *Copenhagen*, Act Two (55-94)

Friday, May 1

- *Reader* (79)
- Review *Copenhagen*; "Postscript" (95-132)
- Common Quiz on *Copenhagen*

Monday, May 4 (Week XIII)

- *Reader* (79-80)
- Writing Workshop on final paper

Monday/Tuesday, May 4/5 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m (V117)

- *Reader* (81-83)
- Film: *Tsotsi*

Wednesday, May 6

- Lecture: "Personal Responsibility and the Freedom of the Individual in *Tsotsi*" (R. Mtisi; Valders 117)

Friday, May 8

- Discussion of *Tsotsi*

Monday, May 11 (Week XIV)

- *Reader* (83-84)

- Research Presentations
- Final Paper due

Wednesday, May 13

- Review

Friday, May 15

- Reading Day

Exam Week, May 16 thru May 20

- Final Exam