American Literature to 1900 Reading List

- 1. Anne Bradstreet, selected poems
- 2. Phillis Wheatley, selected poems
- 3. Nathaniel Hawthorne, "Young Goodman Brown," The Scarlet Letter
- 4. Ralph Waldo Emerson, Nature, "Self-Reliance"
- 5. Edgar Allan Poe, "The Murders in the Rue Morgue," "Annabel Lee," "The Raven"
- 6. Frederick Douglass, Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave
- 7. Henry David Thoreau, "Resistance to Civil Government," selections from Walden
- 8. Harriet Beecher Stowe, Uncle Tom's Cabin
- 9. William Wells Brown, Clotel
- 10. Herman Melville, Moby-Dick, "Benito Cereno"
- 11. Emily Dickinson, selected poems
- 12. Harriet Jacobs, Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl
- 13. Walt Whitman, "Song of Myself"
- 14. Mark Twain, Pudd'nhead Wilson or Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
- 15. Henry James, "Daisy Miller: A Study"
- 16. Charlotte Perkins Gilman, "The Yellow Wall-paper"
- 17. Stephen Crane, Maggie: A Girl of the Streets
- 18. Kate Chopin, The Awakening
- 19. Zitkala-Ša, "Impressions of an Indian Childhood," "School Days of an Indian Girl"
- 20. Charles Chesnutt, The Marrow of Tradition