

Syllabus

For the Week of Apr. 9—13

FALCONS REIGN!

Essential Questions:

- How do humans cope with an imperfect world?
- Why do people seek perfection?
- How do utopias and dystopias seek to correct the imperfections of the world?

Students will be able to...

- Determine how story elements affect one another.
- Identify the connotation and denotation of words.
- Analyze how an author's word choice impacts meaning.

Students will know...

- Every story element has an impact on other story elements.
- Authors choose words specifically based on their connotation and denotation to have an impact on their readers.

I CAN ...

DETERMINE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A UTOPIAN SOCIETY.

DETERMINE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A DYSTOPIAN SOCIETY.

Monday, Mar. 9

Complete the assigned tasks from the "Vocabulary No-Choice Board"

Ms. Nimmons assigned "Draw It Out" and "The History of Words" for this week

Both are due on Friday! (Quality work is expected; all directions for the tasks are to be fulfilled!)

Homework: Complete any unfinished work from class

Tuesday, Mar. 10

Give students 20 minutes to wrap up vocabulary work from the day before

Watch "The Eye of the Beholder" a Twilight Zone episode to introduce our dystopian unit

Students will take notes and reflect on what they've seen.

Homework: Complete any unfinished work from class.

Wednesday, Mar. 11

Introduce the unit for the Fourth Nine Weeks

Issue handouts that outline our unit and work; explain the importance of the work

Allow students to set the schedule for reading their novels; they will submit a copy to the teacher

Homework: Read and annotate the Utopian & Dystopian Characteristics page (Purple Sheet)

Thursday, Mar. 12

Field trip to Skating Rink

Use the Dystopian Characteristics page to determine if the Twilight Zone episode was dystopian.

Homework: Begin reading your novels! Study for vocabulary test on next Tuesday! (sect list)

Friday, Mar. 13

Grade Vocabulary No-choice Board work from this week! You must have both assignments!

Homework: Read your novels! Stay on schedule!