



Midterm Review Guide

- Review the characters and plot of the following works:
 1. *Beowulf*
 2. *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*
 3. *Hamlet*
 4. “The Miller’s Tale”
 5. “The Pardoner’s Tale”
 6. “The Knight’s Tale”
 7. “The Wife of Bath’s Tale”

- Know the seven eras of British literature. What are their characteristics and name one work from each.
- Be able to place the works that we have read in chronological order.
- What are the characteristics of courtly love and be able to identify it.
- Study chivalry and chivalric code.
- Define and be able to apply the term *comitatus*.
- Define and be able to apply the term *interlacing*.
- Review the “villains” in each of the works we have read.
- What are the characteristics of a sonnet?
- Study the work of Sir Thomas Wyatt, Sir Edmund Spenser, and Queen Elizabeth I.
- Be able to identify famous “one-liners”.
- What are the four types of justice?
- Study the commentary of Francis Bacon, St. Thomas Aquinas, and Joseph Hall. Be able to apply their concepts to *Hamlet*.
- Identify the social views of John Gower and his opinions of predominant social classes.
- Study in depth the history of drama and theater.

➤ Memorize the vocabulary words below:

Quagmire

Magpie

Gauntlet

Larder

Squander

Apparition

Portentous

Promontory

Prodigal

Calumnious

Avarice

Blandish

Brash

Capricious

Cephalic

Indignation

Cacophonous

Macabre

Exuberant

Retribution

Doleful

Subordinate

Florid

Tribunal

Amphitheater