English III B (Common Core)—Advanced Academics

Ernest Hemingway once said, “All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called *Huckleberry Finn*.” Directly or indirectly, that book by Mark Twain has influenced all modern American writers since it first made the American scene in 1885. If you have read a story narrated by a young man who uses dialect instead of Standard English, who rebels against society instead of following its rules, or who suffers both internal and external conflicts, then you have read a story that was influenced by Twain’s great American novel. The study of *Huckleberry Finn* is a major element in English III B, the second part of a two-semester course. This rigorous online English course will prepare you for college with the live support of certified and experienced English teachers. You will gain instruction in Common Core Standards-based units that explore the American experience as you continue to develop critical thinking skills in the language arts, such as vocabulary development, literature and media analysis, critical listening, and the writing process. You will read a wide variety of American literature, including short stories, poetry, drama, as well as *The* *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. A research unit will guide you through the research process, from narrowing a topic to selecting and citing credible sources. You will continue to practice interpersonal communication skills through online chats with your teacher, as well as discussion assignments with other students. This course requires one or more novels, which can be acquired at any public library.

*Pre-requisite: English III A*