

Civics (1st Semester)

Text: *[Civics for Christian Homeschoolers](#)*

- The proper, natural role of government
- Types of government
- Citizenship
- The Declaration of Ind
- The U. S. Constitution
- Types of law
- The Christian and rights
- Juries
- Voting
- Poverty
- Good and bad government

Economics (1st Semester)

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- The proper role of government in economics: protecting property
- How Christians live outside of normal economics
- The importance of property rights
- Scarcity and opportunity cost
- Microeconomics and macroeconomics
- Austrian and Keynesian theory
- Supply and demand
- Price and cost
- Money, weights, and fraud
- The importance of profits
- Capitalism's relationship to Christianity
- Socialism's immorality and unworkability
- The broken-window fallacy
- Negative effects of inflation
- Prices, the futility of price controls, and so-called "price gouging"
- Government bureaucrats, spending, and waste
- Unintended consequences of government economic meddling
- Tariffs and taxes
- Answering common economic fallacies
- The ineffectiveness of minimum wage laws

English (Classic Literature, Grammar, Vocabulary, Composition)

Texts: *Classic Literature for Christian Homeschoolers*, *The Elements of Style*

Vocabulary:

- Approximately 40 vocabulary words
- Definitions, roots, origins
- Synonyms, antonyms
- Uses in context

Grammar and Usage:

- Using the possessive
- Serial commas, parenthetical expressions, and commas
- Independent clauses and conjunctions, run-on sentences, sentence fragments
- Active vs. passive voice
- Editing to remove redundancy, parallel structure
- Parentheses and quotations
- Number in pronoun antecedents
- Verb inflections
- Plural and possessive of proper names ending in “s”

Composition/Writing:

- A response to a peer who supports an interventionist government policy
- An editorial refuting an anti-homeschooling op-ed
- A newspaper article based upon a Classic Literature reading
- A persuasive essay on a current political topic or moral issue
- A literary analysis based upon a Classic Literature reading

Classic Literature:

Readings and analyses include theme, plot, character, setting, symbolism, allegory, rhyme scheme, meter, personification, anthropomorphism, metaphor, paradox, irony, genre, tone, style, and voice.

- Volume 1: Classic Mysteries
- Volume 2: Science Fiction Classics
- Volume 3: Classic Tales
- Volume 4: Short Story Classics

(See the 30-week reading layout for Classic Literature on the next two pages.)

Assessable Artifacts:

The two Assessable Artifacts in this class set are projects required by York University that contribute toward class grades and the earning of six college credits (three for Composition I the first semester, three for Composition II the second semester). Each Assessable Artifact is a 1500-word essay. The first is a persuasive essay on a topic chosen by the student, and the second is a literary analysis on class readings, also chosen by the student. Both essays are written in MLA format, and both use citations. (Students are provided templates to use.) These Assessable Artifacts are completed gradually, with students writing and turning in their essays over several weeks, with help from the instructor and with class time for students to review their essays with him and even other students. Students upload each essay as a Microsoft Word document to York University at the end of each semester.

Classic Literature for Christian Homeschoolers Reading Schedule

www.homeschoolpartners.net/books

Volume 1: Classic Mysteries	Volume 2: Science Fiction Classics	Volume 3: Classic Tales	Volume 4: Short Story Classics
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Week	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
1	A Scandal in Bohemia	My Mysterious Foe	The Thinking Machine	The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County
2	The Problem of Cell 13	Marjorie Daw	The Adventure of the Speckled Band	The Cop and the Anthem
3	Quiz 1	The Adventure of the Red-headed League	The Man on the Train	A Literary Nightmare
4	Quiz 2	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapters 1-2	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapters 3-4	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapter 5
5	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapters 6-7	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapter 8	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapter 9	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> Chapter 10
6	Quiz 3	The Shed Chamber	The Mouse	The Adventure of the Copper Beeches
7	About Barbers	The Doomedorf Mystery	Bernice Bobs Her Hair	The Final Problem
8	Quiz 4	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 1, Chapters 1-5	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 1, Chapters 6-10	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 1, Chapters 11-13
9	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 1, Chapters 14-15	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 1, Chapters 16-17	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 2, Chapters 1-2	None!
10	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 2, Chapters 3-5	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 2, Chapters 6-7	<i>The War of the Worlds</i> Book 2, Chapters 8-10	None!
11	Quiz 5	An Act of God	How the Widow Won the Deacon	To Build a Fire
12	The Nice People	The Private History of a Campaign That Failed	The Adventure of the Empty House	None!
13	Quiz 6	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> , Stave I	None!	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> , Stave II
14	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> , Stave III	None!	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> , Staves IV & V	None!
15	Papa Panov's Special Christmas	A Defender of the Faith	The Adventure of the Blue Carbuncle	Aunt Cyrilla's Christmas Basket

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16	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapters 1-2	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 3	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 4	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 5
17	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapters 6-7	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 8	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 9	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 10
18	Quiz 7	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapters 11-12	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapters 13-14	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 15
19	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapters 16-17	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 18	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 19	<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> , Chapter 20
20	Quiz 8	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters I-V	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters VI-X	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters XI-XV
21	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters XVI-XIX	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters XX-XXIII	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapters XXIV-XXVII	<i>The Invisible Man</i> , Chapter XXVIII-Epilogue
22	Quiz 9	Dr. Heidegger's Experiment	The Boom in the Calaveras <i>Clarion</i>	The Last Leaf How I Killed a Bear
23	Quiz 10	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act I, Scene I	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act I, Scenes II-III	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act II, Scene I
24	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act II, Scene II	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act II, Scenes III-IV	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act III, Scene I	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act III, Scene II
25	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act III, Scene III – Act IV, Scene II	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act IV, Scene III	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act V, Scenes I-II	<i>Julius Caesar</i> , Act V, Scenes III-V
26	Quiz 11	The Flaming Phantom	Journalism in Tennessee	The Ransom of Red Chief
27	Quiz 12	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapters 1-2	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapters 3-4	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapters 5-6
28	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 7	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 8	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 9	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 10
29	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapters 11-12	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 13	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 14	<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> , Chapter 15
30	Quiz 13	Three Questions A White Heron	For Better or Worse	Naboth's Vineyard