

Literature: A Portable Anthology

Bedford, Freeman and Worth Publishing Group

COPYRIGHT - 2004

ISBN - 0-312-41279-7

EDITION - 1st

Grade Level
Ninth Grade
Tenth Grade
Eleventh Grade
Twelfth Grade
Eighth Grade

Readability Level 7.9

Course / Content
Literature
Reading
Writing

List Price: \$32.95

Wholesale Price \$24.00

The features of each book or program were developed by the publisher and do not reflect the opinion of the Kentucky State Review Team Kentucky State Textbook Commission or the Kentucky Department of Education.

Content	<p>35 significant, classroom-proven stories from classic authors like Edgar Allen Poe and William Faulkner and current writers such as Alice Walker and Sandra Cisneros.</p> <p>A judicious and varied selection of 250 poems. Featuring the work of more than 200 poets (70 of them women), the anthology includes not only many classic and frequently assigned favorites but also the most diverse selection of contemporary American poetry in an anthology of this scope.</p> <p>A teaching canon of 9 plays. From Sophocles' classical tragedy Oedipus Rex to August Wilson's recent and profound The Piano Lesson, the selection represents not only important works in the Western dramatic tradition but also a core of the most frequently assigned and popular plays in the classroom.</p>
Student Experiences	<p>Concise treatment of reading and writing about literature. Featuring several examples of student writing, an appendix explains how to think critically, read analytically, and write a variety of commonly assigned papers about literature, from summaries to research papers.</p> <p>Informative, unobtrusive editorial apparatus. At the back of the book students will find biographical notes on every author, a glossary of literary terms, and an index of authors, titles and first lines to help them find the literature they are looking for quickly.</p> <p>A Book Companion site presents access to the suite of Bedford Online resources for literature as it connects to specific instructor and student resources for Literature: A Portable Anthology. Book specific resources include a discussion of how to read poetry, various pedagogical groupings of poems, an annotated list of video resources, and a brief history of Western theatre.</p>
Assessment	<p>Testing Tool Kit: A Writing and Grammar Test Bank</p> <p>LitQuiz at http://bedfordstmartins.com/litquiz Automatically-scored quizzes on fiction, poetry, drama, and essays.</p>
Organization	<p>Chronologically arranged by genre to convey historical context</p>
Resource Materials	<p>Book Companion Site This Web site provides quick access to new media resources for Literature: A Portable Anthology.</p>

VirtualLit Interactive Tutorials at <http://bedfordstmartins.com/virtualit>
An interactive presentation of literature with rich contextual materials.

LitQuiz at <http://bedfordstmartins.com/litquiz>
Automatically-scored quizzes on fiction, poetry, drama, and essays.

Instructor's Online Resources at <http://bedfordstmartins.com/literature>
TechNotes (guidance on teaching with technology), The Bedford Bibliography Online (bibliography of scholarship on composition studies), and Lore (a community resource for graduate student and adjunct teachers of writing).

Online Research and Reference Aids at <http://bedfordstmartins.com/literature>
LitLinks (a collection of biographies and annotated links), LitGloss (definitions of literary terms), and Diana Hacker's Research and Documentation Online.

Robert Frost: Poems, Life, Legacy CD-ROM
A comprehensive treatment of the life and works of Robert Frost, available to qualified adopters.

Video Library
Selected videos of plays and stories featured in the text are available from Bedford/St. Martin's video library to qualified adopters.

Gratis Items to be provided and under what conditions Yes - Testing Tool Kit: A Writing and Grammar Test Bank

Available Ancillary Materials See Resource Materials

Testing Tool Kit: A Writing and Grammar Test Bank

Research Data and Evidence of Effectiveness

Disclaimer: the research data and evidence of effectiveness was provided by the publisher and does not reflect the opinion of the State Review Team, the State Textbook Commission, or the Kentucky Department of Education.

Research Available YES - provide information below
Companion Website at: bedfordstmartins.com/portablelit

Online Research and Reference Aids at <http://bedfordstmartins.com/literature>
LitLinks (a collection of biographies and annotated links), LitGloss (definitions of literary terms), and Diana Hacker's Research and Documentation Online.

Overall Strength and/or Weaknesses

Disclaimer: Comments on the strengths and/or weaknesses of each book, material or program were written by members of the State Textbook/Instructional Materials Review Team and reflect their opinions. They do not reflect the opinions of the State Textbook Commission nor the Kentucky Department of Education. In addition, the State Textbook/Instructional Materials Review Team completed each evaluation form during summer of 2005. In order to maintain the integrity of the review team's comments, editing was limited to spelling and punctuation.

Recommendations: This is an excellent literature anthology for any college English major. It could perhaps be used for advanced high-school literature students. It is purely an anthology, without any teacher materials.

Summary Form

I. Technology Component Summary

II. Reading Content Summary

0.56

Strengths: There are some good selections.

III. Writing Content Summary

Weaknesses: There is a discrete writing section in the book, but it is not integrated into the reading selections.

IV. Grammar and Spelling Content Summary

V. Journalism / Media Content Summary

VI. Listening /Speaking / Observing Content Summary

VII. Inquiry Content Summary

VIII. Technology Content Summary 0

IX. Audience: Teacher and Student Materials Content Summary 0.13

Weaknesses: No teacher materials were submitted for review.

X. Format Content Summary 0.28

Weaknesses: Pages are virtually all text, without illustrations or text features.

XI. Ancillary Materials Content Summary 0

Weaknesses: No ancillary materials were included for review.

READING CONTENT

This reads like a college text.

No teacher or ancillary materials were sent for review.