



Literary Modernism Essay (15%)

Write a 3-4 page essay (1,000-1,200 words, double spaced) on literary modernism. Compare any of the modernist literary works (novel, short story, or poem) we have read in this course with a single premodern one from earlier courses. As you do so, consider **why** the authors engaged in composing their texts and **what effects** each literary work has on you and other readers. In other words, how does your chosen **modernist text** differ from the older one in terms of **purpose and impact**?

Think no less of form than meaning. Consider the complete texts and select key passages where you compare differences in terms of **language, style, and narrative technique**.

You are not expected to conduct any research for this assignment. While contextual information helps to set up a comparison, you should spend no more than half a page on it. The main focus should be on **comparing and analyzing the texts**—and the analysis should be fully your own.

Due on Monday, March 17.