

The Bedford Introduction To Literature 9th Edition

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Covers reading, thinking, and writing concepts including critical analysis, comparison and contrast, explication, and research papers.

The Compact Bedford Introduction to Literature is a bestseller for a reason: It brings literature to life for students, helping to make them lifelong readers, better writers, and more critical thinkers in any path they choose. Classic works drawn from many periods and cultures appear alongside a strong showing from today’s authors. There is plenty of support for students, with critical reading and writing support, helpful sample close readings, writing assignments, and student papers in up-to-date MLA style. And, because everyone teaches and learns differently, there are many options for working with the literature, including case studies on individual works and themes that everyone can relate to. In-depth chapters on major authors including Flannery O’Connor and Nathaniel Hawthorne take students deeper into their work, and three chapters on the fiction of Dagoberto Gilb and the poetry of Billy Collins and Julia Alvarez--created in collaboration with the authors themselves--are one more way that the anthology showcases literature as a living, changing art form.

After her nightmarish recovery from a serious car accident, Faye gets horrible news from her doctor, and it hits her hard like a rock: she can’t bear children. In extreme shock, she breaks off her engagement, leaves her job and confines herself in her family home. One day, she meets her brother’s best friend , and her soul makes a first step to healing.

The Routledge Introduction to African American Literature considers the key literary, political, historical and intellectual contexts of African American literature from its origins to the present, and also provides students with an analysis of the most up-to-date literary trends and debates in African American literature. This accessible and engaging guide covers a variety of essential topics such as: Vernacular, Oral, and Blues Traditions in Literature Slave Narratives and Their Influence The Harlem Renaissance Mid-twentieth century black American Literature Literature of the civil rights and Black Power era Contemporary African American Writing Key thematic and theoretical debates within the field Examining the relationship between the literature and its historical and sociopolitical contexts, D. Quentin Miller covers key authors and works as well as less canonical writers and themes, including literature and music, female authors, intersectionality and transnational black writing.

A Legacy is the tale of two very different families, the Merzes and the Feldens. The Jewish Merzes are longstanding members of Berlin’s haute bourgeoisie who count a friend of Goethe among their distinguished ancestors. Not that this proud legacy means much of anything to them anymore. Secure in their huge town house, they devote themselves to little more than enjoying their comforts and ensuring their wealth. The Feldens are landed aristocracy, well off but not rich, from Germany’s Catholic south. After Julius von Felden marries Melanie Merz the fortunes of the two families will be strangely, indeed fatally, entwined. Set during the run-up to World War I, a time of weirdly mingled complacency and angst, *A Legacy* is captivating, magnificently funny, and profound, an unforgettable image of a doomed way of life.

Offering a broad survey of drama from the ancient Greeks to the present — including many new contemporary prize-winners — *The Bedford Introduction to Drama* has the plays you want to teach in a collection flexible enough to serve your needs in a variety of courses. Fifty-four chronologically arranged plays are illuminated by insightful commentaries and casebooks that enrich students’ contextual understanding and encourage critical thinking. Concise introductions for each historical period and play emphasize theater design, staging, and acting style, and a wealth of photographs and illustrations help students visualize plays in performance. A fresh new design highlights the rich contextual features and additional help for students including a guide to writing about drama, a glossary, and new cross-references to a robust companion Web site.

Prepared by recognized scholars and devoted teachers, *The Bedford Anthology of American Literature* brings the canon of American literature down to a manageable size. Half the length of other leading anthologies, and offered at a much lower price, the anthology reflects years of firsthand experience in the classroom and extensive research on what instructors are actually teaching in the survey course today. Prepared expressly for students and informed by the new understandings of and approaches to American literature that have emerged during the last 30 years, the anthology is lavishly illustrated and features several pedagogical innovations that help students engage with the literature.

The Compact Bedford Introduction to Literature is designed to bring literature to life — and to make students lifelong readers. As an instructor of literature and writing, editor Michael Meyer understands that a particular challenge in today’s classroom is that students may not see literature as relevant to their lives. They may have difficulty reading it critically and lack confidence in their writing skills. With these factors in mind, Meyer has put together a lively collection of literature drawn from many periods, cultures, and voices, with an excellent representation of contemporary authors, women authors, and authors of color. These works are presented with more than a dozen chapters of critical reading and writing support, and a generous helping of sample close readings, writing assignments, and student papers. And, because everyone teaches a little differently, the book offers more options for working with the literature than any comparable anthology — including in-depth chapters on major authors and case studies on individual works and universal themes.

Combining a carefully organized anthology of poetry and an effective writing about literature text, *Thinking and Writing about Poetry* helps you become a better literary reader and better academic writer.

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Shortlisted for the Booker Prize, Bedford's autobiographical novel paints a vivid picture of life in 1920s Europe between the wars. Sybille Bedford placed the ambiguous and inescapable stuff of her own life at the center of her fiction, and in *Jigsaw*, her fourth and final novel, she did it with particular artistry. "What I had in mind," she was later to say, "was to build a novel out of the events and people who had made up, and marked, my early youth...Truth here was an artistic, not moral, requirement...It involved...writing about myself, my feelings, my actions." And so she assembled the puzzle pieces of her singular past into a picture of her "unsentimental education." We learn of a childhood spent alone with her father, "a stranded man of the world" living a life of "ungenteel poverty in quite grand surroundings," a château, that is, deep in the German countryside, with wine but little else for him and his young daughter to hold body and soul together. We learn of her return to Italy and her mother, "the one character I wished to keep minor and knew all along that it could not be done," and the dark secret consuming her mother's life. Finally, she tells us how she lived with and learned from Aldous and Maria Huxley on the French Riviera, developing the sense of purpose and determination that made her the great writer she would become.

If you haven't looked at *The Bedford Handbook* in a while, look again: This edition has everything your students need to become stronger writers--in a briefer book. This reimagined *Bedford Handbook* takes a fresh "essentials" approach to the familiar coverage of writing, research, style, and grammar that *The Bedford Handbook* has always had. The result is a handbook that's equal parts approachable and comprehensive. Students will quickly find answers in the book's direct explanations and step-by-step instruction. They'll get the practice and guidance they need with exercises, how-to guides, model papers, and class-tested examples. The advice you trust from Diana Hacker and Nancy Sommers is here. It all comes in a book that's easier to carry, easier to use, and more affordable than ever.

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This ebook has been updated to provide you with the latest guidance on documenting sources in MLA style and follows the guidelines set forth in the *MLA Handbook*, 9th edition (April 2021). Become a lifelong reader and improve your writing skills as *Bedford Introduction to Literature* exposes you to classic and contemporary writers while thorough support and activities give you ample practice.

The Bedford Introduction to Literature Reading, Thinking, Writing Bedford/St. Martin's

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