

General Structure: The final exam will be cumulative and worth 25% of your final grade (250 points). The exam will consist of three parts: short-answer, multiple-choice, and long-answer questions on Atwood's fiction and poetry. The exam will be available in Pilot and **must be taken during the scheduled day and time of exam week**. You have two hours to complete the exam.

Part 1: Short-Answer Questions (6 questions x 10 pts. each = 60 pts)

- *You will be asked to provide brief identifications or responses (no need for full sentences) to six questions on Atwood's poetry and fiction, both general and specific to selected texts.*
- *Review the assigned poetry and short fiction readings, Unit PowerPoints, and class notes.*

Part 2: Multiple-Choice (45 questions x 2 pts. each = 90 pts)

- *There will be fifteen questions on each of the last three novels we read in this class.*
- *Questions primarily assess comprehension of important points/details from the novels, from beginning to end of each text; questions are also intended to determine not just whether you understood what you read but that you finished the reading.*
- *Questions range in levels of difficulty, most of them focused on details we explored in class.*
- *Review PowerPoints for Units Two-Four, class notes, and individual notes on the novels.*

Part 3: Long-Answer Questions (4 questions x 25 pts. each = 100 pts)

- *In this section of the exam there will be four categories that provide three questions under each category; you will need to answer ONE of the options from each category.*
- *To help you focus your review of notes and readings, the categories will be:*
 - **Category One: National Identity, History, and Myth in Poetry & Short Fiction**
 - **Category Two: Women's Friendships and Rivalries in *The Robber Bride***
 - **Category Three: Truth and Fiction in *The Blind Assassin***
 - **Category Four: Character & Storytelling in *Oryx and Crake***
- *Answers must be written in complete sentences and each answer should be at least 5-7 sentences (approx. one full paragraph per answer).*
- *Try to be concise, clear, and focused in your responses, get straight to the point of directly answering the questions and use concrete example from the texts.*
- *Responses are assessed according to clarity, accuracy, and specificity; in other words, you should avoid vague examples or summary responses that merely explicate the plot. It should be clear from your response which question you have chosen to answer from each category.*

Final Notes: The exam is open book since it is online. All questions will appear on a single page so that you can move back and forth through the exam and be able to edit/change your answers. Standards of academic integrity still apply, you are expected to take the exam independently (not with the assistance of a classmate), and any instances of plagiarism will result in a failed exam. If you would like to take the exam on your laptop in our regular classroom, I will be there to moderate and answer any confusion you might have about questions, or to help with technical difficulties. I recommend this option if you can utilize it. Keep in mind that multiple choice questions are graded automatically but short- and long-answer questions will be graded manually by me after the exam has been submitted. The final exam grade should be posted in Pilot by the following day.