

LEC Book Club Syllabus

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Planned Schedule:	09 September – 18 October 2024 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09:00 – 09:50am
Room:	Chanjogwon 103
Recommended LEC level:	Level 3 +
What is the Book Club?	
<p>Do you love books? Would you like to start reading and understanding English literature better? Are you often looking for people to discuss literature with? Lots of people love to read, but it can be hard to find someone to discuss the book you're reading. If you're having a hard time finding people to talk with about English literature, you should join our book club. It is also a great opportunity to meet new people and make new friends with common interests. Our book club is all about exploring new books as a group and asking interesting questions. It is about listening to different points of view and how everyone interpreted metaphors or themes. Come and join us!</p>	
Book name:	<p>Title: Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Book 1) Author: Jeff Kinney Genre: Children's literature, Humor, Fiction Publisher: Amulet Books Publication Date: April 1, 2007 ISBN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISBN-10: 0810993139 • ISBN-13: 978-0810993136 <p>Page Count: 224 pages</p> <p>Audiobook: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wf0D82bBsJY</p>
Book description:	<p>Get ready to laugh out loud with "Diary of a Wimpy Kid"!</p> <p>Join Greg Heffley, a lovable and slightly awkward middle schooler, as he navigates the hilarious ups and downs of school life. From dealing with annoying siblings and crazy classmates to trying to climb the social ladder, Greg's diary captures all the awkward, funny, and cringe-worthy moments of growing up. Packed with doodles, comics, and laugh-out-loud observations, this book is perfect for anyone who's ever felt a little out of place.</p> <p><i>Why should adults dive into Greg Heffley's world?</i> Because this book is more than just a children's story—it's a nostalgic trip down memory lane! "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" brilliantly captures the universal experiences of growing up, filled with humor and heart. Greg's relatable adventures remind us of our own middle school days, from the awkward social encounters to the small victories and everything in between.</p> <p>For parents, it offers a delightful way to connect with their kids, understanding their world and sharing a good laugh. For everyone else, it's a perfect escape into a simpler time, where the biggest worries were school projects and playground politics. Plus, Jeff Kinney's witty writing and playful illustrations provide a light-hearted, enjoyable read that's sure to brighten your day. So, if you're looking for a book that's fun, relatable, and a genuine feel-good experience, "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" is the perfect pick!</p>

Class outline

1. A short biographical note on the author.
2. An introduction to the theme and characters of the story.
3. In class reading and chapter discussions.

During and after each story:

1. Notes: Students should be encouraged by their engagement with the story to infer general and relevant meaning from context.
2. Discussion: These are questions on the story's theme and characters, designed to stimulate class discussion or to encourage the individual reader to think about the story from different points of view.
3. Language focus: Some of these questions and tasks direct the reader's attention to particular features of language use or style; others focus on specific meanings and their significance in the story.