

<http://bit.ly/WEAonline>

- You will need to be able to follow links to join our WEA live video learning platform: WEA Zoom. If you'd like to understand more about our video learning platform, Zoom please visit:

<http://bit.ly/WEAonline> and <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>

- No skills or experience needed
- This course is suitable for beginners and improvers

What will I achieve?

By the end of the course I will be able to:

1. Share your thoughts and ideas about what you have read.
2. Identify ways in which rural writing may be drawing attention to wider cultural concerns.
3. Discriminate between different forms and techniques in the chosen texts.
4. Explain the importance of setting in the novels, and compare and contrast them to other texts.

What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?

- The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will be used to provide resources or to support lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit:

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- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning
- There will be a schedule for reading the five set novels provided, on Canvas, by the tutor.

What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions

What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?

- What you need: You will need an internet connection, speakers, a microphone and a webcam so that you can use our video learning platform, Zoom. If you'd like to understand more Zoom please visit: <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>

- You will need a personal email address to join the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas so that you can receive resources, record your progress and achievement and to work with others and share ideas. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit:

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- You will need access to unabridged copies of the five novels:

Wuthering Heights, by Emily Bronte

Tess of the D'ubervilles, by Thomas Hardy

Sons and Lovers, by DH Lawrence

The House in Dormer Forest, by Mary Webb

Cold Comfort Farm by Stella Gibbons.

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- You will have access to course resources and links to wider learning through the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- Please read to the end of chapter 16 of Wuthering Heights, by Emily Bronte, for discussion at the first session.

Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)

- Progress to another WEA course
- Progress to a course with another provider
- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member
- Become involved as a volunteer for a WEA partner or another organisation
- You could progress to Higher Education courses. Follow link to the PEARL website for information <http://pearl.open.ac.uk/>
- Access the WEA What Next? booklet here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/what-can-i-do-next>
- Join a reading group
- Join a writing group

Learning with the WEA

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for most courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB
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