16th Century Reading List

Prose:

DESIDERIUS ERASMUS (1466-1536)
_Praise of Folly_

NICCOLO MACHIAVELLI (1469-1527)
_The Prince_ (trans. Bondanella)

Baldassare Castiglione (1478-1529)
_The Courtier_ (Hoby’s translation) in the Norton

THOMAS MORE (1478-1535)
_Utopia_ in the Norton

HUGH LATIMER (1487-1555)
“Sermon on the Plough” in _Selected Sermons of Hugh Latimer_, ed. Alan Chester, 1968

THOMAS CRANMER (1489-1556)
_The Book of Common Prayer_
_A Defense of the True and Catholic Doctrine of the Sacrament_ in Shuger, _Tudor-Christianity_

JOHN FOXE (c. 1516-1587)
_Foxe’s Book of Martyrs_

GEORGE PUTTENHAM (1529-1590)
_The Art of English Poesy_

MICHEL DE MONTAIGNE (1533-1592)
_Essays_ (Florio’s translations)

RICHARD GREENHAM (1535?-1594?)
_Paramythion, second treatise in Shuger, Tudor-Christianity_

_The Book of Homilies_ (1547, 1562, 1571)

PHILIP SIDNEY (1554-1586)
_The Defense of Poesy_
_The Old Arcadia_

RICHARD HOOKER (1554-1600)
_The Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity_, Book 1 and 5
“The Certainty and Perpetuity of Faith in the Elect”
“A Learned Discourse of Justification”
First sermon in Shuger, _Tudor-Christianity_
JOHN LYLY (1554-1606)

WILLIAM PERKINS (1558-1602)
“How to Live, and that Well” in Shuger, *Tudor-Christianity*

JOHN UDALL (1560-1592)
“Amendment of Life in Three Sermons” in Shuger, *Tudor-Christianity*

THOMAS NASHE (1567-1601)
“Christ’s Tears Over Jerusalem”
The *Unfortunate Traveler*
Pierce Penniless

*King James Bible* (1611)

**Drama:**

ANONYMOUS
*Arden of Faversham*

NICHOLAS UDALL (1504-1556)
*Ralph Roister Doister*

GEORGE GASCOIGNE (1535-1577)
*Supposes*

GEORGE PEELE (1556-1596)
The *Love of King David and Fair Bethsabe*

THOMAS KYD (1558-1594)
*Spanish Tragedy*

ROBERT GREENE (1558-1592)
*Friar Bacon and Friar Bungay*

CHRISTOPHER MARLOWE (1564-1593)
*Dr. Faustus*
*Jew of Malta*
*Dido, Queen of Carthage*

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (1564-1616)
*Comedy of Errors*
The *Two Gentlemen of Verona*
*Richard III*
*Taming of the Shrew*
*Titus Andronicus*
Love's Labor's Lost
Richard II
Henry IV, 1
Henry IV, 2
Henry V
Much Ado About Nothing
Twelfth Night
As You Like It

THOMAS DEKKER (1572-1632)
Shoemaker's Holiday

Poetry:

EDMUND SPENSER (1552-1599)
The Faerie Queene

THOMAS WYATT (1503-1542)
“The Long Love, That in My Thought Doth Harbor” (with Petrarch, Sonnet 140)
“Whoso List to Hunt” (with Petrarch, Sonnet 190)
“They Flee From Me”
“Blame Not My Lute”
“Stand Whoso List”

HENRY HOWARD, EARL OF SURREY (ca. 1516-1547)
“Love that Doth Reign and Live within My Thought”
“Alas, So All Things Now Do Hold Their Peace” (with Petrarch, Sonnet 164)
“So Cruel Prison”
“London, Hast Thou Accused Me”

ANNE LOCKE (1530-post 1590?)
A Meditation of a Penitent Sinner

GEORGE GASCOIGNE (1535-1577)
“Woodsmanship”

PHILIP SIDNEY (1554-1586)
Astrophil and Stella

MARY SIDNEY HERBERT, COUNTESS OF PEMBROKE (1561-1621)
Psalm 46
Psalm 51
Psalm 52
Psalm 58
Psalm 71
Psalm 75
Psalm 121
Psalm 139
CHRISTOPHER MARLOWE (1564-1593)
*Hero and Leander* (plus Chapman's edition)

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (1564-1616)
*Rape of Lucrece*
*Venus and Adonis*
*Sonnets*

**Secondary Readings:**

Richard Helgerson, *Forms of Nationhood* (1992)