

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

EDUC 465-4

FALL SEMESTER, 1976-3

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OBJECTIVES:

1. That students survey the field of children's literature.
2. That students become familiar with the criticism and research in the field.
3. That students study one genre in depth.
4. That students explore children's reading preferences.

REQUIREMENTS: *

1. Select one genre of Canadian children's literature and write a critical evaluation of selections published since 1950.
2. Discuss three reviews of a children's book (oral).
3. Compare, in outline form, the reading preferences of two children.
4. Criticize orally, in class, a book of Canadian fiction for children published during the past decade. **

EVALUATION:

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| 1. Critical evaluation of a genre | 50% |
| 2. Discussion of three reviews | 20% |
| 3. Children's reading preferences | 15% |
| 4. Oral report : book of Canadian fiction | 15% |

TEXTS:

- Egoff, Sheila. The Republic of Childhood. Toronto: Oxford University Press, 2nd edition, 1975
- Lukens, Rebecca J. A Critical Handbook of Children's Literature. Glenview: Scott, Foresman, 1976.

* Alternate arrangements to fulfill course requirements may be negotiated with the instructor.

** See list of "The Top Ten".