Introduction to Literature
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Selected Bibliography

A. Contemporary U.S. Literature

1. Literature


2. Resources and Commentary


**B. Contemporary Russian Literature**

1. Literature


2. History and Context


### 3. Resources and Commentary


### C. Contemporary Chinese Literature

#### 1. Literature


2. History and Context


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D. Other World Literature


**E. Literary Theory and Criticism**


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Literature written during the Colonial period:

- Religious: sermons, treatises
- Diaries (tracing God’s signs of approval in their everyday life)
- Historical narratives, Indian-captivity narratives

Basic Puritan beliefs:

- Total Depravity - every human is born sinful.
- Unconditional Election - concept of predestination.
- Limited Atonement - Jesus died for the chosen only, not for everyone.
- Irresistible Grace - God's grace is freely given, it cannot be earned.

William Bradford 1590-1657
- First historian in New England
- 1630 Of Plymouth Plantation - the single most complete authority for the story of the Pilgrims and the early years of the Colony they founded.

A historical narrative on how Puritans arrive to New