

## Literature: Dawn

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**Grades:** 8 (academically mature) - 12

**Day of Week:** Wednesday

**Time of Class:** 11:00 am – 12:30 pm ET

**Length of Class:** 10 weeks

**Semester:** Winter

**Tuition:** \$250.00

### Class Dates:

Week 1: Week of January 10

Week 2: Week of January 17

Week 3: Week of January 24

Week 4: Week of January 31

Week 5: Week of February 7

Week 6: Week of February 14

Week 7: Week of February 21

Week 8: Week of February 28

Week 9: Week of March 7

Week 10: Week of March 14

Make Up Week: Week of March 21

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## Description of Class:

**This is the second part of a three-part class.**

**EVERY CLASS CAN STAND ON ITS OWN; however, for a full year of ELA – please have your students register for EACH CLASS. Please look on the website for the FULL YEAR of ELIE WIESEL classes at a substantial discount.**

Elisha is a young Jewish man, a Holocaust survivor, and an Israeli freedom fighter in British-controlled Palestine; John Dawson is the captured English officer he will murder at dawn in retribution for the British execution of a fellow freedom fighter.

The night-long wait for morning and death provides *Dawn*, Elie Wiesel's ever more timely novel, with its harrowingly taut, hour-by-hour narrative.

Caught between the manifold horrors of the past and the troubling dilemmas of the present, Elisha wrestles with guilt, ghosts, and ultimately God as he waits for the appointed hour and his act of assassination.

*Dawn* is an eloquent meditation on the compromises, justifications, and sacrifices that human beings make when they murder other human beings.

## About the Author

Elie Wiesel (1928-2016) is the author of more than fifty books, including *Night*, his harrowing account of his experiences in Nazi concentration camps. The book, first published in 1955, was selected for Oprah's Book Club in 2006, and continues to be an important reminder of man's capacity for inhumanity. Wiesel was Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities at Boston University, and lived with his family in New York City. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1986.

This class is a MUST for every high school student. The trilogy by Elie Wiesel is a “required read” of a well-read individual.

This class is meant for mature high school students.

## Class Approach:

Lecture, readings, class discussions and writing.

## Textbook:

*Dawn*

[https://www.amazon.com/Dawn-Elie-Wiesel/dp/0809037726/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?crid=1A11ZCSI9TR0V&dchild=1&keywords=dawn+by+elie+wiesel&qid=1609773680&srefix=dawn+by+el%2Caps%2C185&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Dawn-Elie-Wiesel/dp/0809037726/ref=sr_1_1?crid=1A11ZCSI9TR0V&dchild=1&keywords=dawn+by+elie+wiesel&qid=1609773680&srefix=dawn+by+el%2Caps%2C185&sr=8-1)

### **Additional Supplies/Resources Needed:**

Additional readings (non-fiction) will be provided by the instructor.

### **Requirements:**

Attendance and participation in class.

### **Weekly Homework:**

Approximately 2 hours.

This is made of up reading, short answer and longer answer writing prompts.

### **Homework Policy:**

Homework will be due prior to class for students to receive full credit unless arrangements have been made in advance. Students will receive partial credit for homework submitted within two class periods of due date. No credit will be given for homework turned in after two weeks. Additionally, any outstanding homework needs to be turned in prior to any unit test, even if that is sooner than the two weeks.

### **Grading Scale:**

90-100 =	A
89-80 =	B
79-70 =	C
69-60 =	D
59 and below:	F