

Midterm exam in 2030N: Literature of Mystery and Detection, spring 2013

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Answer **ONE** of the following questions:

EITHER

"As a sensation novel *The Moonstone* combines the elements of mystery and detection with a problematisation of social issues such as empire, class and gender". Discuss this statement.

OR

Discuss whether the detective fiction of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries reflects and debates social and political issues of the period, or whether it, on the contrary, creates its own fictional world cut off from its context. In your discussion you should make use of at least three of the primary texts you have read so far.

Guidelines for midterm essay in 2030N: Literature of Mystery and Detection

Write an essay of 2,000–3,000 words on one of the questions below. The essay should be written double-spaced and in 12 pt., i.e. ca. 6–9 pages.

You should be using at least **three** secondary sources, and all use of sources should be fully credited. This should be done in accordance with a standard stylesheet, for instance MLA, of which you will find a copy on Fronter (Teacher's archive > "Stylesheet") .

Use the enclosed title page, including the declaration concerning plagiarism. It is particularly important that you make sure that you have not made use of any uncredited sources, and if you have any questions with regard to plagiarism, contact one of us before you submit.

The essay should be submitted on Fronter under "Hand-in" > folder "Midterm essay" by lunchtime Friday 8 March. Note: the folder automatically closes at 12 noon.

Questions:

To be posted on Fronter on Monday 25 February.

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Title of your essay

Your name

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Date of submission

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