

## Assignments

Week 1, beginning 1/18/2006:

### Thursday:

Discuss syllabus.

Particles, Fields and Symmetries.

On the difficulty of poetry, William Carlos Williams & Billy Collins.

Margaret Atwood on Virginia Wolf.

Personal response to literature.

### To Do For Next Week:

Purchase both required texts as well as your journal and bring everything to class.

**Writing:** Refine your personal response to literature—about 1 page, double-spaced, 250 words—and be prepared to hand it in on Tuesday.

Feel free to begin adding willy-nilly to your journal.

**Reading:** In Meyers read pages 1-7 on the nature of literature, pages 13-28 on Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" and formulaic fiction, and page 45, Thomas Jefferson's "On the Dangers of Reading Fiction."

In Strunk & White read pages 1 through 5.

In Meyers read Joyce Carol Oates' "Three Girls," pages 73-80, and Stephen King's "All That You Love Will Be Carried Away," pages 80-90.



"Calvin and Hobbes" by Bill Watterson.