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Hillsdale College Launches New Online Course on Classic Children’s Literature
Rediscover some of the greatest stories ever told

Hillsdale, Mich. — Today, Hillsdale College launched its latest free online course, “Classic Children’s Literature.” The course is taught by Professor of Education Dan Coupland and Professor of English and Associate Vice President for Curriculum David Whalen, with an introduction by President Larry P. Arnn.

The nine-lecture course studies the narratives and themes of eight beloved children’s stories, including *The Wind in the Willows*, *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland*, *Treasure Island*, and *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*.

The great quantity and wide variety of children’s literatures makes discerning which stories are entertaining and instructive for both children and adults a challenge. This course will help adults learn how to identify great children’s literature so that they can experience the joy of reading such stories with their children or grandchildren.

“One of the best things to do as a family is to read classic children’s literature,” said Kyle Murnen, director of Online Learning. “These stories provide profound lessons in a way that produces wonder and delight in the young and old alike. The recovery of the right kind of children’s literature is essential to the future of our nation because it helps form young people’s understanding of the world and the right way to live.”

To sign up for the free online course, visit <https://online.hillsdale.edu/courses/classic-childrens-literature>.

About Hillsdale College

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