

SYLLABUS/Weekly Assignments

SESSION 1: Introductions

The topics for each session, and the reading to complete beforehand, are listed with each date. If you are short on time, begin with the starred items.

READING and LISTENING

*1. Wright, Franz “Learning to Read”

<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2009/01/19/learning-to-read-2>

*2. Wright, James “A Blessing”

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/46481/a-blessing>

*3. **Podcast:** “Bianca Stone reads Franz Wright” (listen to the first 15 minutes, about “Learning to Read,” by Franz Wright)

<https://www.newyorker.com/podcast/poetry/bianca-stone-reads-franz-wright>.

4. Hirsch, Edward “How to Read a Poem”

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/articles/69955/how-to-read-a-poem>

5. “For the Love of Poetry”

<https://www.tnellen.com/cybereng/poetry.html>

*6. MacLeish, Archibald “Ars Poetica”

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poetrymagazine/poems/17168/ars-poetica>