

L421 Two by Dickens
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David Copperfield is widely considered to be Charles Dickens' most autobiographical novel, and *Hard Times* is one of his most biting critiques of industrial society. In this eight-week class we will read these two books and spend part of each class focusing on elements of Victorian life and culture as a way of gaining further understanding and insight into Dickens' work.

1. Wednesday 26 March – *David Copperfield* Parts I to IV (Chapters 1-12)
2. Wednesday 2 April – *David Copperfield* Parts V to VIII (Chapters 13-24)
3. Wednesday 9 April – *David Copperfield* Parts IX to XII (Chapters 25-37)
4. Wednesday 16 April – *David Copperfield* Parts XIII to XVI (Chapters 38-50)
5. Wednesday 23 April – *David Copperfield* Parts XVII to XX (Chapters 51-64)
6. Wednesday 30 April – *Hard Times* Book 1 Sowing
7. Wednesday 7 May – *Hard Times* Book 2 Reaping
8. Wednesday 14 May – *Hard Times* Book 3 Garnering

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