Topics in Dutch Culture: A Literary Survey

This survey of Dutch Literature, taught entirely in Dutch, aims to introduce students to the highlights of Dutch literature through the ages in their cultural and historical contexts. The emphasis is on how literature can serve as a lens to view such phenomena as the rise of the Dutch Republic, internal religious strife and the formation of a tolerant society, the Dutch colonial experience, the Holocaust and the 2nd World War in its Dutch context, post-modern reflections of contemporary Dutch society, and the current struggle with a new wave of immigration.

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