

ALGUNOS DE NUESTROS ALUMNOS DE INGLÉS DE 1º DE BACHILLERATO Y DE AMPLIACIÓN ORAL DE 2º DE BACHILLERATO SE HAN ATREVIDO A CAMBIAR LA TRAMA DE VARIAS NOVELAS FAMOSAS DE LA LITERATURA AMERICANA E INGLESA. LES HEMOS PROPORCIONADO EL COMIENZO Y EL FINAL DE LA NOVELA Y CON LA AYUDA DE NUESTRA AUXILIAR DE CONVERSACIÓN, RAVEN SCOTT, ELLOS HAN ESCRITO EL ARGUMENTO SIN SABER DE QUÉ LIBROS SE TRATABA. ÉSTE HA SIDO EL RESULTADO:

(Como podéis comprobar cualquier parecido con la novela real es pura coincidencia.)

To Kill A Mocking Bird by Harper Lee (1960): (Matar a un ruiseñor)

A. Group of Guillermo, Camila, Marta, Sergio 2º Bachillerato

The plot of the story is about a boy who broke his elbow playing a football match. When it healed, he has one arm longer than the other. He continued playing football but he had difficulties because he was deformed. He trained very hard but he wasn't able to be at the level of the team, so he left the team. He was so sad because football was his life, so he decided to have an operation. When he was under the effects of anesthesia he was dreaming he was a professional football player but he had a bad injury and he would never play football again. When he was in the hospital room his brother was there waiting for him.

Group of: Marina del Corral, Alejandro Martín, Carlos Torres and Rosa de la Cruz 1º Bachillerato A

Then Jem awakes in a bed in a hospital and sees that he has got the arm healed. His family comes to visit him and he realizes that he hasn't broken his arm and all has been a dream. When he tries to wake up he becomes aware that he doesn't have legs. Then he panics and is sedated.

He comes through a lot of hardships...and commits suicide. But he wakes up and realizes that he was sleeping and decides that his deformed arm was much better than not having any legs.

Charlotte's Web by E.B. White (1952) (La telaraña de Carlota)

A. Group of Ángel M., Irene, Liam y Paula 2º Bachillerato:

"The book is about a psychopath who kills his daughter and his wife with an axe. A woman called Charlotte discovers his crimes, but she is his lover and she doesn't know how to act. She couldn't tell the police what happened, so she decides to write the crime in a book. She hides the story until the police discover it, but it's too late to arrest him, because he's already dead."

B. Group of Cecilia Gómez, Julia Ramírez, Mario Iscar, David González, David Montero 1º Bachillerato A

Where is Papa going with that ax? -said Fern to her mother as they were setting the table for breakfast.

The dad left the house with the ax. Fern and his wife thought that he went to the forest to find firewood, but he went with another woman, his lover. After a few days, Charlotte noticed that the dad was seeing another woman, an especial woman and she decided to say nothing. One day his wife followed the dad when he went to the forest and she saw the dad with another woman but she didn't know who the woman was, because she couldn't see well. After a week, one woman showed up dead and three months later, the wife got into a mental hospital because she had killed her sister.

Charlotte knew the whole story and she decided to write the story in a book so that her sister would be remembered. It isn't often that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer. Charlotte was both, said dad.

Group of Dylan, Ángel O., Alma G. y Carolina

The Great Gatsby, by Scott Fitzgerald (El Gran Gatsby)

Gatsby is a mean boy who has always had everything he wanted. He has always had an easy and comfortable life but his attitude made him to end up without any friends. Even though Gatsby had no friends, he had always his father's support; he was always there for him. But one day the doctors found a terminal disease, just before his death, in their last conversation together the father told him some words that Gatsby will never forget.

Gatsby entered in a deep depression, because he was alone in the world and apart from all the disgraces he has, the doctors found the exactly same disease as his father. This depresses Gatsby completely, wanting him to commit suicide. Suddenly a young doctor named Sarah came every day to treat his illness; slowly the couple fell in love and Gatsby way of seeing life changed completely.

Years went by and the happy couple had a child named Charly. The disease of Gatsby becomes terminal as his father's, so before his death Gatsby told him his way of seeing the world."

The old man and the sea, by Ernest Hemingway. (El Viejo y el Mar)

A. Group of Laura, Alejandro, Martyn and Arantxa 2ºBachillerato

He was an old man who fished alone in a skiff in the Gulf Stream and he had gone eighty-four days now without taking a fish. Another day eating bananas, in that island; there wasn't anything else to eat. He felt very alone, and as usual, that morning went to the top of the mountain to see if somebody was there to help him. But that day he saw something different, he saw the smoke of a fire in the next island, and quickly he went to research what was happening there. When he arrived, he found a boy fighting with a lion. Without time to think, he took out his bow and shot just one arrow in the neck, killing the beast. Fortunately, they finally had something else to eat!

The two men became friends and helped each other. Although they didn't know how to get out of the island, they built a small wooden shack.

B. Group of Javier Martínez, Marian Ghitu, Alberto García, María Martín-Crespo y Alex Chicaiza 1º Bachillerato A

In the beginning of the next day he had tried to fish again, luckily something moved his fishing rod. It wasn't something normal because it pulled very strongly and it could be a legendary fish. It had such a lot of power that the skiff got broken and the old man fell into the sea and he couldn't move because the water was freezing, but it was his lucky day because at that moment a boy passed around with his canoe and saved him. The boy led him to a cabin where the old man could rest and drink something hot and was covered with a blanket to keep it warm.

Group of Kawtar, Sebas, Inés, Dima y Paula 1º Bachillerato

Frankenstein, by Mary Shelley.

You will rejoice to hear that no disaster has accompanied the commencement of an enterprise which you have regarded with such evil foreboding.

Once upon a time there was a family that lived in a small isolated village. All of them had a strange power. The people were scared of them. One day, one little girl was born, she loved reading and knowing new things and her biggest dream was travelling to explore the world and get away from her village, and that's what she did when she was eighteen. She decided to ignore her curse although her parents told her that she could hurt people.

She became a very important person because at first the powers weren't a problem.

She got pregnant and she really wanted to have a new family with no curses. But one day, she started to see strange things:

she realized that her curse hadn't disappeared so to stop this, she decided to take the child to the water. He was soon born away by the waves and lost in darkness and distance.

Pride and Prejudice, by Jane Austen (Orgullo y Prejuicio)

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It's the story of Darcy, an ugly man, but very wealthy. Darcy was an orphan, though he had a host family, the Gardiners. The Gardiners were Darcy's parents' friends and when they died the Gardiners were in charge of Darcy. He was only ten years old. Darcy grew up with them. The Gardiners had a housemaid called Elizabeth. That was Darcy's biggest secret: Darcy had been in love with her for 20 years. When he reached 30 years old, he decided to declare his love to Elizabeth. Darcy was a 30 year old bachelor. His life had been very easy, so he was very immature. She said no and he was depressed. Since that moment he started to be unkind, rude and he started to drink alcohol. He lost all his money. He had nothing. When he was completely destroyed, Elizabeth came and kissed him. He was disoriented. She told him that she would give him an opportunity, maybe then he was ready to start a relationship. He stopped drinking and decided to be a serious person.

A Tale of Two Cities, by Charles Dickens (Historia de dos ciudades)

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"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of spread, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct to the other way-in short, the period was so far like the present period, that some of its noisiest authorities insisted on its being received, for good or for devil, in the superlative degree of comparison only".

There were two twins, called Defeat and Victory. Defeat was a very kind and mature person. She was so friendly and she went to mass every Sunday. She was very optimistic and she didn't do anything bad. On the other hand, Victory was all the opposite. She was a very unpleasant and immature person. She loved being alone and she didn't believe in God. She was so pessimistic and she didn't do anything good.

Defeat was tired that the people confused her with Victory because her attitudes were damaging her. When they were younger they didn't get along. Victory coveted Defeat because Victory was the perfect girl and the favourite of all the people and for that reason Victory always beat Defeat, but she didn't say anything to protect her. Defeat realized who and what she was like and of the future that was waiting for her. She looked at herself in the mirror and she saw herself full of scars. She couldn't stand it anymore. Victory was planning to attack her and Defeat knew it. "This time is going to be different" Defeat thought.

Defeat wanted to play a joke on Victory, but the joke was bad, because she killed Victory.

At the beginning she was so sad and she thought that she was a very bad person, but one year later she thought that to kill her sister was the best thing that she ever did.

Defeat thought that she wasn't "defeat" but "victory" and she said that "It is a far, far better thing that I do, that I have ever done; it is a far, far better rest that I go to than I have ever known".

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