

EDWARD THOMAS
Poet of Speech and Story
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Midcoast Senior College
Spring II, 2024
Mondays 1-2.30pm
Patten Free Library

1. April 8. Introduction. The Life and Times of Edward Thomas, 1878-1917
 - a. ET as journalist, essayist, and critic.
 - b. Helen Noble Thomas
 - c. Eleanor Farjeon
 - d. Two “iconic” ET poems: “Up in the Wind” and “Adlestrop.”

2. April 15. The country of Edward Thomas.
 - a. Denton illus. lecture. (44/50 min.)
 - b. 3 selected ET poems of the countryside.

3. April 22 ET among the poets.
 - a. ET and Robert Frost.
 - b. Lyrics by ET and RF.

4. April 29. Narrative poems by ET and RF.
 - a. Dramatic and narrative poetry.
 - b. “Lob” and “The Death of the Hired Man.”

5. May 6. The war poetry of ET. ET and the soldier poets.

6. May 13. Aftermath. The Critics and Edward Thomas. Where does TET
Belong in the history of English poetry?

