Week 1

Introductions, class sign up for short reports related to the historical events of the great hunger. Irish festival dates, (I’ll cover Samhain and the Pooka today)

Chapter 1, Samhain [https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain](https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain)

Video of author reading

Video of the Pooka

Week 2

Chapter 2 A Boy Named Tim

Paul Lynch’s essay [https://paullynchwriter.com/essay/](https://paullynchwriter.com/essay/)

Reports: 1. Potato Blight, origins and causes   2. Season of Imbolc

Week 3

Chapter 3 The Wonder of Days

Report: Role of Sir Robert Peel and Parliament

Week 4

Chapter 4 Ride the Wolf’s Mouth

Reports: Churches’ Relief Efforts

Week 5

Chapter 5 Winter

Report: Queen Victoria’s response to the famine
Week 6

Chapter 6 Crow

Report 1. Irish season of Bealtaine 2 Crow in Irish myth

Week 7

Chapter 7 Light

Report Irish season of Lughnasa

Week 8

Chapter 8 Blackmountain

Family stories