

English 10

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Welcome to English 10. I believe this class will be a very challenging and rewarding experience. We have many goals to accomplish, and our time will go very quickly. It is important to me that you do well. English is an important subject, and you will need to participate on a daily basis to keep up with the work.

English Core Learning Goals:

1. The student will demonstrate the ability to respond to a text by employing personal experience and critical analysis.
2. The student will demonstrate the ability to compose in a variety of modes by developing content, employing specific forms, and selecting language appropriate for a particular audience and purpose.
3. The student will demonstrate the ability to control language by applying the conventions of standard English in writing and speaking.
4. The student will demonstrate the ability to evaluate the content, organization, and language use of texts.

Availability:

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I am here to help and I am approachable. If you would like to meet in person, visit me during Spartan Hour or arrange in advance to meet before or after school. I strongly suggest you ask me about assignments *well before the due date*.

Class Supply List:

Students will need to bring the following materials to class every day:

- Three-ring binder *exclusively for this class*
- Five dividers (warm-ups, literature, grammar, vocabulary, miscellaneous)
- Notebook paper (no spiral paper)
- Blue or black pens
- A highlighter
- A POSITIVE ATTITUDE!

Student Responsibilities:

1. Come to class **prepared and on time.**
2. Uniforms and ID badges must be worn. If you leave for a Uniform Sweep, any assignments missed will receive a 0 and cannot be made up.
3. When the instructor is speaking, students are not.
4. There is to be no talking during PA announcements.
5. Cell phones must be off and out of sight at all times.
6. Any student earning below 70% is required to attend Spartan Hour until the grade improves.

Grading Policy:

Grades will be determined using the following scale:

- A= 90% - 100%
- B= 80% - 89%
- C= 70% - 79%
- D= 60% - 69%
- E = 0% - 59%

Assignments fall into one of these categories:

- Class Work 25%
- Homework 25%
- Assessments 50%

Make-up Work and Late Work:

It is your responsibility to complete all assignments. If you are absent, call a friend, check the website, or consult the make-up book in the classroom. If you have an excused absence and a yellow pass, you may make up work for credit. You have as many days as you were absent to make up the work.

Late homework will not be accepted. Homework that is done in class or is “in your locker” will receive a 0. Major assignments that are one day late are accepted with a reduction of 10%. For each successive day late, an additional 10% will be deducted. After three days, the assignment will not be accepted. If you are absent on the day before a long-term assignment is due, it is still due on the assigned date.

Honesty:

All work must be your own. Copying work or cheating will result in a 0 **for all students involved.** Plagiarizing is cheating and will result in a 0. I take this seriously.

Course Outline:

First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
“The Interlopers”	Advocacy and Persuasion	“A Celebration of Grandfathers”	Julius Caesar
“Harrison Bergeron”		“Everyday Use”	Antigone
“A Sound of Thunder”		“Women”	Novel Study (TBA)
“The Pedestrian”		“Poem at Thirty Nine”	Research (TBA)
“By the Waters of Babylon”		“The Pit and the Pendulum”	
“Montgomery Boycott”		From <i>Night</i>	
“Through the One-Way Mirror”		From <i>Farewell to Manzanar</i>	
“The Border: A Glare of Truth”		“Like the Sun”	
“The Son from America”		“For the New Year, 1981”	
“Marriage is a Private Affair”		“Pride”	
“No Witchcraft for Sale”		“The Man in the Water”	
“Love Must Not be Forgotten”		“And of Clay we are Created”	
		“The Crowning of Arthur”	
		“Sir Launcelot du Lake”	
		From <i>The Mists of Avalon</i>	
		From <i>The Acts of King Arthur and His Noble Knights</i>	