

7th Grade English

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DAILY SCHEDULE

- Journal (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)/ Independent Reading (Tuesday, Thursday)
- Daily Oral Language
- Lesson
- Work Time
- Wrap Up

EXPECTATIONS

Be Prepared:

Everyday you will be expected to be prepared for class as soon as you walk through the door! Being prepared means that you have all your needed materials (pencils, textbook, IR book, journal, etc.) and that you are ready to listen for instructions. This also means having your work from the previous day ready to be turned in right away.

Be Focused:

During the work time that I will allow you to have in class, you will be working on the assignment given that day. If you are finished with the assignment you may then work on homework for other classes or read your IR book.

Be Kind:

Always make sure you are being kind, not only to others but also to yourself! We are all here to learn so it is perfectly fine to mess up every once in a while so do not be hard on yourself.

UNITS

This year will be broken up into six units which are:

Unit 1: Language

- Writing Conventions
- Vocabulary
- Figurative Language

Unit 2 : Literary Analysis

- Collaborative Discussions
- Theme/Idea
- Text Evidence

Unit 3 : Poetry

- Analyze/Compare Poetry
- Narrative Writing

Unit 4 : Listening

- Comparing Text to Audio/ Video
- Analyzing Details in Different Formats

Unit 5 : Argument

- Analyzing an Author's Writing
- Comparing Writing
- Writing Arguments with Supporting Evidence

Unit 6 : Research

- Cite Textual Evidence
- Gather Relevant Information
- Informative/ Explanatory Writing

BOOKS

Up on the Rim by Dale Eunson

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

Among the Hidden by Margaret Peterson Haddix

PROCEDURES

Vocabulary:

On Mondays you will be given a vocabulary list for the week. You will have time in class to write your definitions and sentences for the new words in your vocabulary journal. (Study sets will be available on Quizlet too!) On Thursdays, after you independent reading time you will have a few minutes (2 or 3) to study before your vocabulary quiz. For your quiz, you will be given 5 of the 10 words of the week. You will have to spell the word correctly, write the correct definition of the word, and also use the word in a sentence.

Journal:

On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday there will be a journal prompt for you to write about as soon as you enter the classroom. You can write as much as you think you need to write in order to answer the prompt given. Journals will be collected every other Friday and graded by me based on participation. I will be reading over the journals so keep that in mind when you are writing!

Homework:

Assignments must be written legibly in order to receive full credit for answers. If the grader (me or another student) of the assignment cannot read your work it will be marked as incorrect.

Homework assignments are due the next day of class unless otherwise stated in class.

If you are gone, please ask for what assignments were missed that day.

Assignment are due on the due date given. There are very few exceptions for late work. For every day that an assignment is late there will be a 10% deduction of the grade given on the assignment.

Writing Assignments:

When a writing assignment is given you will also receive a rubric for the assignment. Please use this rubric as a guide when you are writing your paper. All papers will then be graded based on the rubric.

All writing assignments will be typed due to the number of times that we will be working on editing skills. I will give time in class to type on the computers in the classroom.

Cheating/ Plagiarism:

Cheating/plagiarizing will not be tolerated. If you are cheating/plagiarizing or even helping a classmate do so then you will receive a 0 for that assignment.

Plagiarizing is when you copy another person's work and do not give them credit for their ideas. We will go over how to cite sources in class so that this will not be a problem.

Cell Phones:

Cell phones can only be used during class for educational purposes when I say that they can be used.

If you have to make an important call or send an important text you can ask me and you may be excused to go to Mr.Fisher's office to do so.

There will be a cell phone daycare available for you put your phone into at the beginning of class (unless we will be using our phones that day). If your phone is in the daycare, there is a chance for you to receive extra credit on random day of my choosing because you have made the wise choice to not have your phone during class time.

Restroom Use:

You will be permitted to use the restroom during work time, not during instruction time.