

Senior English Syllabus for 2010-2011

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6th period in the English office by appointment on Monday's by Appointment.

Welcome to Senior English! We will be exploring British literature and doing a great deal of writing this year. We will be reading classic works of British literature including plays, poetry, novels and short stories; in addition, we will be writing a number of essays, focusing on literary analysis. The tentative plan for this year is as follows:

Semester One:

Weeks 1-2: Beginning of the year details. Resumes, essays, letters for scholarships.

Weeks 3-6: *Beowulf* a classic epic poem of adventure and heroism.

RI. 11-12.4

RL. 11-12.7

W. 11-12.3

Weeks 7-9: *Canterbury Tales* a frame poem of stories and characters famous and infamous

RI. 11-12.3

RL. 11-12.6

W. 11-12.2

Weeks 10-15: *Macbeth* – a play of betrayal and revenge

RL. 11-12.1-7

W. 11-12.9

Weeks 16-18: Restoration and Enlightenment

RI. 11-12.5-6

W. 11-12.1

Semester Two:

Weeks 1-4: Romanticism/Victorian

RI. 11-12.4

RL. 11-12.9

W. 11-12.2

Weeks 5-8: Contemporary Modernism/Short Stories

RL. 11-12.1-6

W. 11-12.1-3

Weeks 9-18: Novels/Research paper

RL 11-12.1-10

W. 11-12.1, 4-9

Novels we will be reading this year will be *Animal Farm* and *1984*.

Units may take more or less time depending on a number of factors including interruptions to the schedule due to assemblies, standardized testing, etc. The second semester schedule may vary according to scheduling available in the library and computer labs.

Grading: Grades will be based on number of points earned by the student from the number of points available for earning. Grades each six weeks will include homework, in class work, quizzes, tests, and writing assignments.

Semester grades are calculated by district standards as follows: Grading period 1 30%, Grading period 2 30%, Grading period 3 25 %, Final exam 15%. As per district policy, 100-90 = A, 89-80 = B, 79-70 = C, 69-60 = D, 59 – 0 = F.

Essays are typically worth 100 points, quizzes are worth 10 – 30 points, and homework is worth 20-50 points, tests are worth 100 – 150 points.

Supplies: Text books are supplied to you and you expected to have them with you every day. In addition, you will need a notebook for just this class, and blue or black pens. I do not accept assignments in pencil or other colors of pen. Each student must have a binder for this class. The binder should have sections for bell work, vocabulary, assignments, writing, and notes.

Class Rules, Policies, and Expectations:

1. All Kofa and district rules are strictly enforced. This is a bell-to-bell class; students must be in their desks with daily materials ready when tardy bell rings. Mr. Moore dismisses the class, not the bell.
2. It is the student's responsibility to check his/her missed assignments following absence from class either on the class website or on the chart in the front of the classroom. Make-up work will not be accepted after one week from absence.
3. Students must have handbook to receive a pass.
4. Students must be respectful of school, principals and teachers, classmates, school materials, and themselves.
5. Dress Code in handbook is strictly enforced.
6. Cell phones, CD players, MP3 players, and/or headphones are not allowed. Items in use or visible will be turned into the administration office for Friday pickup.
7. All class work and supplies must be legible and free of tagging, gang affiliations, or drawings.
8. No passes are issued during the first 30 minutes of any class. No passes will be given during 4th period.
9. Water is the only drink allowed in class - no other drinks, food, or gum.
10. Tardies are not acceptable. Procedures of administration detentions explained in handbook are strictly enforced.
11. Student tutoring for this class is available from 6:45-7:10 am and 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm every school day. Additional time for tutoring, make-up work, and questions can be arranged by appointment.
12. Late work will be accepted only by previous agreement with me. Late work will automatically receive 50% of earned grade and will be accepted no more than one week after assignment due date.

Attendance:

No credit is given for any class in which a student has more than five unexcused absences during a semester. No more than nine total unexcused absences are allowed per semester. In accordance with this district policy, only five Saturday school make-up sessions are offered each semester. Excluding those absences waived or reduced by administrative review as per Kofa handbook, students must attend Attendance Makeup School to earn back credit for those classes in which they have more than five absences. **No teacher attendance options will be given for this class.**