

Honors Literature and Rhetoric – 2007 - 2008

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English 10 – Literature and Rhetoric Honors

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I recommend using my website for this class. I provide duplicates of most handouts, and I have interactive quizzes for you to study for tests and quizzes.

Required Materials:

- *The Language of Literature* (blue literature textbook)
- Grammar workbook
- Notebook
- **Strongly Recommended:**
 - Pocket dictionary – (I suggest the *American Heritage Dictionary: 4th edition* paperback)
- Pens/pencils (please have both)
- Folder (a separate one for English only)
- Agenda / Daily Planner

Classroom Rules:

All ACHS policies will be followed. See your agenda for rules.

Any disrespectful behavior toward the classroom, fellow classmates, and/or school personnel will be handled according to the degree of the offense.

Units of Study:

First Semester:

- *A Separate Peace*
- *Lord of the Flies*
- *Fahrenheit 451*
- *Tale Of Two Cities*
- Short Stories – See website
- Grammar
- Vocabulary Workshop – See website
- Word Within the Word – See website
- Oral Communication (Speech)
- Writing

Second Semester:

- *Night*
- *Antigone*
- *Julius Caesar*
- King Arthur
- *1984*
- *Brave New World*
- Poetry
- Grammar
- Vocabulary Workshop
- Word Within the Word
- Oral Communication (Speech)
- Writing

Grades: all in-class assignments, tests, quizzes, papers, homework, and speeches will earn points. Points will accumulate throughout the semester. Grading scale:

A = 100 – 90%

B = 89 – 80%

C = 79 – 70%

D = 69 – 60%

F = 59% and below

Late work will be taken for half credit. (Example: a paper that earns a 70% that was turned in late will be worth a 35%). Please be sure to communicate with me if problems occur.

You are responsible for all assignments on the day that they are due regardless of absence between the assignment and due date. (If you are in class on Monday, and a paper is assigned for Wednesday, and you are

absent on Tuesday, the paper is still due on Wednesday).

If you miss a class period, it is **your responsibility** to get the assignments from me before or after school on the day that you return. **DO NOT** disrupt class time getting your missed assignments. You will have one class period per absence to make up homework or tests and quizzes.

If you have any questions or problems throughout the year, *DO NOT HESITATE TO ASK!*** I am available before and after school. Almost every problem can be solved and questions answered when you calmly communicate with me. You may also e-mail me with school-related concerns.**

Portfolio:

You will be required to put together a portfolio. You are required to keep all graded work until you turn in your portfolio.