

Bear River High School

English 1 Course Syllabus

Department of: English Language Arts

Course Title: English 1, 9th grade English

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Semester: Fall 2018

School Year: 2018/2019

Course Description

English 1 is a college preparatory class and will focus on reading, writing, speaking, and listening, adhering to the California Common Core content standards. All units will include critical thinking, reading, textual analysis, grammar practice, and writing to produce increasingly complex paragraphs and essays. Come prepared to read and write everyday.

Students will be responsible for daily independent reading (AR).

Equal Opportunity

The Bear River High School English Department is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. My classroom shall be free from discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, mental or physical disability, or any other unlawful consideration. **If a student feels he/she has been discriminated against by anyone in the classroom, please have him/her see me immediately to discuss the episode(s) so that I can work to remedy the situation.**

Required Textbooks and Other Reading

Pearson Literature and Language Arts Textbooks
Heroes, Gods, and Monsters
The Adventures of Ulysses
Romeo and Juliet, Of Mice and Men, Ender's Game, To Kill a Mockingbird

Independent Reading novels (purchased or checked out from the library)

Materials Required

- 1-2 subject notebook
- Pens blue or black, pencils
- Highlighters (3 different colors)
- Lined paper

*Students will be required to maintain digital copies of their work using either a digital folder (Google Drive, Dropbox, etc.) or a flash drive.

Grading Policy

The course is based on the following categories:

Writing

Assessments

Homework

Classwork, Participation

A	90-100%
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	59% and below

Homework, Assignments, Make-ups

A portion of the academic grade will be based upon homework assignments. Although assignments will be made regularly, they may vary in quantity and complexity based on subject matter and ability level. Since only your best effort is acceptable to you, me, and your parents or guardians, **late work will receive 50% taken off the graded score.** **Students will be allowed 3 late assignments per semester, due within 7 days of the due date.** Any missing assignments after the 3 will automatically be marked as a ZERO and cannot be made up. Missing bigger assignments need to be discussed with teacher and will depend on student's communication with the teacher prior to the date turned in. Any make-up work due during excused absence will be due per each day absent.

Assessment, Participation, and Attendance Policies

School attendance and tardy policies must be followed precisely and you may find them in the student handbook. If you have an excused absence, take the initiative to approach the teacher to get any missed work. This work will be found inside folders with your name on it in a plastic bin inside the classroom. You are responsible for turning in absent work on the agreed upon due date.

*Students will be responsible for participation.

Class Rules

Adhere to all school rules as stated in the student handbook.

Respect the classroom, the teacher, and your peers.

Remember that all iPods, cell phones, and accessories must be turned off and placed out of sight during class.

Come to class prepared to learn and be willing to try.

Be ready to participate in small and whole group discussions and a variety of class activities.

Consequences for inappropriate behavior in class may include rule reminders, verbal warnings, detention, parent contact, or class suspension depending on the circumstances.

Additional Notes

Academic honesty is required of all members of this class. Cheating, plagiarism, or other type of academic dishonesty on assessments, papers, projects, labs, homework, or any other course assignments will not be tolerated. Students who engage in such dishonesty may, at a minimum, be given failing grades, and repeated violations may result in failing the course.

Students agree that by taking this course all required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to Turnitin.com for the detection of plagiarism. All submitted papers will be included as source documents in the Turnitin.com reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers. Use of the Turnitin.com service is subject to the Usage Policy posted on the Turnitin.com site.

We have read the course syllabus and we understand the class expectations to pass this course.

I (print name) _____ will keep this course syllabus in my binder.

Student Signature: _____

My signature indicates that I have read and agree to abide by the course expectations.

Student Name (print) _____ **Student Signature** _____ **Date** _____

Email _____ **Phone** _____

Address _____ **CA** _____
City _____ *Zip* _____

Do you currently have access to internet and computer typing at home? _____

Do you currently have or will you have a job during the school year? _____

What three adjectives best describe you? _____

Parent Name (print) _____ **Parent Signature** _____ **Date** _____

Email _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Home Phone _____ **Work Phone** _____

What three adjectives best describe your child? _____

Parent Name (print) _____ **Parent Signature** _____ **Date** _____

Email _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Home Phone _____ **Work Phone** _____

What three adjectives best describe your child? _____

Please indicate if your child has any special needs I should know about _____
