

# English 9: SDE# 200005ab

## 1 term/1 credit

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### Course Description:

This class is designed to guide students in achieving higher levels of ability in reading, speaking, and writing. Students will learn to move from purely personal reactions to literature to critical responses. A variety of learning activities will be employed to address different learning styles and to actively engage all students in learning. While the focus in reading is on world literature, students will learn to synthesize information from texts as they extend skills to content-area texts. Similarly, students will expand their control of the writing process and manage the research process to support a thesis on a topic of personal interest and increase their media literacy by becoming more strategic consumers of oral and visual information.

### Grading Guidelines and Policy:

- Students will have a variety of assignments including inside classwork, homework, projects, and assessments. All assignments are due on the date given by the teacher. Grades will be entered into INOW weekly. For information regarding access to grades on INOW, please contact your base school.
- Late work will be accepted with classwork and projects; however, students will lose points for every day that the assignment is late. Homework will not be accepted late for any reason. Homework is graded on a binary scale; it is completed in full for full credit or no credit is given at all.
- Formative and Summative Assessments will be given regularly. Students are not allowed to communicate with classmates in any form or fashion during testing. Students caught communicating will receive an automatic zero.
- There is a zero-tolerance cheating policy. Students caught cheating on any assignment or activity will receive an automatic zero and will be referred to the principal for disciplinary action.
- The grading scale is as follows
  - Formative and Summative Assessments = 60%
  - Inside of Class Work = 30%
  - Outside of Class Work = 10%

### Materials:

Some materials will be provided for students. Students are expected to take care of the materials and return them in the good condition. If a student loses or damages materials from the teacher, the student will be expected to replace the item or pay for the item to be replaced. Materials being provided are...

- Composition notebooks
- Spiral notebooks
- Ventures Student Workbooks
- Ventures Student Practice Books
- Plastic Folders
- Trade Books and Graphic Novels
- Art Supplies

**Students need to bring their own pencils. Some pencils will be provided, but there is a limited supply for the year.**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the class, please feel free to email or call me.

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Student Signature

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Parent Name

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