

# English 11

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## **In this course, you will:**

- learn to read actively, analyze texts, and develop close reading skills
- learn the history of movements in American literature and their characteristics and historic influences
- demonstrate an understanding of appropriate standard English grammar and conventions
- prepare for success on the Reading, Language, and Writing sections of the ACT

## **Required Materials (bring daily)**

- binder with loose-leaf notebook paper
- pens/pencils
- highlighter

## **Assignments and Grading**

Assignments will include bellwork, weekly ACT vocabulary quizzes, unit work, and unit tests. Classwork point values will range from 5-25 points, and unit tests will range from 50-100 points.

## **Notebook Guidelines**

Your notebook will be the most important tool for success in this class. Keeping it organized, placing all handouts securely in the brads/rings, and making sure pages are numbered and properly labeled are habits you should develop quickly. You will only be given a handout ONCE. You will receive a study guide at the beginning of each unit, and attention will be drawn to test material during class.

## **Makeup Work**

You are responsible for the grade you receive in this class. If you are absent, you must take the initiative to make up the assignments you missed. Check the **While You Were Out** bin for any handouts, and ask a responsible classmate for notes or other written classwork. You must have an excused absence to make up an exam.

## **Units of Study**

One- Regionalism and the Rise of Realism

Two- The Modern Age & *The Great Gatsby* (film study)

Three- Midcentury/ *Of Mice and Men* & *To Kill a Mockingbird*

Four- The Holocaust

Five- America in WW2

Six- The Civil Rights Movement

Seven- *The Secret Life of Bees*

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## 2017-2018 Classroom Policies, Procedures, and Behavior Expectations Contract

***There is no excuse for laziness or apathy, and it will not be tolerated in this classroom.*** In order to receive the privilege of no additional work/homework after class or music privileges during independent work time, complete your work with no excuses.

### High Expectations

1. You are in complete control of the grade you receive in this class.
2. You will treat others with RESPECT and VALUE others' opinions, beliefs, and ideas, even if they are not like your own.
3. You will not raise your voice, act in an aggressive manner, use inappropriate language at any time, or leave your seat for any reason with explicit permission by the teacher. Bullying in any form will not be tolerated in this classroom. \*You want to be treated as the (almost) adult that you are, so you will handle situations and control yourself as an adult would.
4. Your participation in this class is a necessary component, and will aid in your success.
5. You will keep all personal devices put away during class time, unless otherwise instructed. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.
6. Trash goes in the trash can. You are allowed to bring drinks to class. Food will not be permitted in class unless given special permission (a food-related assigned activity, a snack given by the teacher, etc.) I am not your maid, nor will I clean your area for you after you leave. If you leave your area in a mess, you will find yourself on classroom detail for a week.

### Class Procedures

- Be on time, in your seat, with your materials working on your bell work activity when the bell rings. I should not have to remind you to begin working. Any student not following this policy will be considered tardy.
- Your notebook for this class is a crucial component of your success, and must be **a)** brought every day **b)** kept up-to-date **c)** submitted regularly for checks. There is no excuse for you to not have it with you daily.
- Hang all bags on the back of your seat, or place completely underneath your desk. Keep the aisles clear for safety purposes.
- Do not leave your seat unless given permission. You have time in between classes to go to the bathroom. If you come into class and decide you need to go to the restroom, make sure you are back in your seat when the bell rings or you will be counted tardy. Restroom passes will be given out on an emergency-basis only.
- Please refer to CHAMPS on the board.
- At the end of class, you will be told to pack up and clean your work area. Do not stand up or line up before the bell rings. I will dismiss you.

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## Syllabus/Policies, Procedures, and Behavior Expectations Receipt

By signing below, you have read, understood, and agree to the syllabus, policies, procedures, and expectations outlined for this class. This is your contract for the 2017-2018 school year.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class Period \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_