

**GRADE 7 ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 2018-2019**  
**MME. HENRY**

**Introduction**

Welcome to grade 7 English Language arts! This course is designed to help you meet the learning goals in the grade 7 *Atlantic Canada English Language Arts Curriculum*. The main ideas centre on your use of language to:

- Think and learn
- Communicate effectively and clearly with a range of audiences and for a variety of purposes
- Gain, manage, and evaluate information
- Explore, respond to, and appreciate the power of language, literature, and other texts, and ways and places in which language is used

**Classroom Expectations**

Everyone is expected to be:

- Respectful
- Prepared for class
- On time for class
- Ready to learn and have fun!

**Units of Study**

We will speak, listen, read, write, view, and represent to explore and critically analyze the following units of study:

-Reading strategies  
-Short stories  
-Poetry

-Drama  
-Media literacy

-Thematic units  
-Novel(s)

**Reading workshop**

We will explore many intricate and interesting facets of reading. Reading instruction will take place in the form of mini lessons, independent reading and reading conferences.

**Writing Workshop**

Throughout the year, you will, with aid of directed teaching, create your own samples of writing. You will be expected to use the writing process to help create a quality piece of writing. The writing process includes: brainstorming, the rough draft, revision, editing and the final draft. As a class, we will explore different types of writing together.

## **Assessment and Evaluation**

Your mark will consist of assignments, projects, presentations, writing, reading, listening activities, and group work we do in class and the work you complete for homework. Your work will be evaluated for both process and final product, so it is important to show the steps you go through to reach the final piece.

Assignments you are submitting for evaluation (i.e. projects) should be error free and look great! You are always expected to do your best!!

Students are reminded to acknowledge another person's work when using other sources. Plagiarism will not be accepted; plagiarized work will receive a zero.

## **Homework**

Typically, you will have plenty of time to work on your assignments in class. If you do not complete the assignments in class, then it will become homework. Once in awhile you will have larger projects that may require more home study.

## **Final Note**

Finally, I am looking forward to an exciting and fun-filled year of learning with you. If you have any questions, or need extra help, please ask me. I am available during lunch and after school, just let me know ahead of time. Parents or guardians, feel free to contact me at the school at 541-8280. Thank you!

**Have Fun and Have a Great Year!!**

