



Glen Rose High School

Coach Yocham's English I
2023-2024



Expectations:

In order to be successful in this course, students will be expected to be self-motivated and responsible. It will be necessary for students to be able to plan and prioritize their academic, personal and extracurricular schedules throughout this course. Completion of all assignments; including outside reading, class work, in-class participation and class attendance are expected of all students.

Text, Readings, Materials:

The following supplies are necessary. If you are having difficulty locating any of the supplies, please see me the first week.

- 3-Ring Binder (for English only)
- 5 Dividers

^^^ The above will be their first daily grade. Everything else below will be used, but not turned in.

- 2 packs of lined index cards (3 ½" X 5")
- Highlighters – at least 2 different colors
- Pencils and Black/Blue Pens
- Recommended and greatly appreciated: a box of tissues

The class will utilize the state adopted textbook My Perspectives English I. Students may access the online content through Canvas/Class Link. Supplementary readings will be provided to students in class. Other readings may include:

<i>I Am Malala</i>	Malala Yousafzai
<u>Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie</u>	<u>David Lubar</u>
<i>Great Expectations</i>	<i>Charles Dickens</i>
<u>Romeo and Juliet</u>	<u>Shakespeare</u>
<i>The Fault in Our Stars</i>	<i>John Green</i>
<i>Fahrenheit 451</i>	Ray Bradbury
Various Short Stories	
Various Poetry	
Various Nonfiction texts	

Inclusive Coursework

Vocabulary	Writing	EOC	Literature
SAT/ACT Prep	Research	Short Answer Essay	Fiction
Novel-based	Persuasive	Preliminary	Non-Fiction
Greek/Latin Roots	Expository	Higher Level Questioning	Poetry
	Literary		Mythology
	Personal Narrative		

Classroom Rules and Procedures:

I do my best to make my classroom a fun and enjoyable environment for learning. However, in order to maintain that atmosphere students must do their part by behaving as responsible young adults including being polite, prepared, productive, patient, and prompt. Individual food and drink is permitted as long as class is not disrupted and food is not shared among students. All drinks must be in spill proof containers. Note: this does not include fast food type cups. In order to keep this privilege, students must clean up after themselves.

Cell Phone/Microsoft Surface Policies:

Students are expected to come to school with their Surface Pros fully charged. If there is a technical issue, the student is expected to see Mrs. Hettler the librarian **before** school.

All student cell phones will be turned to silent and turned into the charging station. Any student with a phone during an unapproved time will have their phone confiscated until the end of class. Students who repeatedly violate the phone policy will have their phones turned in to the office and can pick them up at the end of the school day.

Grading Policies:

Major assignments may be turned in before the due date, but **will NOT be accepted late, without prior communication.**

Pre-assigned work due during extra-curricular activities and planned absences should be turned in prior to its due date. **Late daily assignments will be accepted one day late for a grade no higher than an 85, the second late day no higher than a 75, and the third late day no higher than a 55. On the fourth day, the assignment is still due, but will be a 0.**

Grade category breakdowns are as follows:

- 60% Major grades
- 40% Minor grades

Retest-Makeup Policy:

Retesting is permitted only under the following conditions:

- a) Student received a failing grade on a test on the first attempt. There will be no retesting to bring up a passing grade.
- b) All daily assignments that pertain to the test must have been completed and turned in on time.
- c) Students must attend a tutoring session outside of class to go over problems on the first test. Please schedule this session with the appropriate teacher.
- d) Retest must be accomplished within one week from the original test day.
- e) The retest will NOT be the same test taken the first time around, but will cover the appropriate objectives.
- f) The highest possible replacement grade on a retest is 70. A grade of 70 is not, however, guaranteed.
- g) Assignments not available for retakes/redos: long-term assignments, projects, presentations or semester exams. Long-term is defined as more than 3 days allowed in and out of class to work on an assignment, where there has been opportunity to correct or seek help before the assignment is due.

Tutorials:

Tutorials are always available; however, you must schedule tutorial appointments with me. Due to coaching duties, I cannot sit and wait for students who may or may not want to come. If you schedule a time, please actually show up. I am often leaving practice in order to be there with you. I am happy to do this, but it wastes my time when students are no-shows.

- In the fall: tutorials are after school
- In the spring: tutorials are before school

If a student is truly unable to attend the available time, I will make exceptions in order to meet the needs of the student. An English teacher will also be available every morning.

Emergency Shutdown:

If for any reason the school must shut down, all directions and assignments will be on Canvas. I will also send out initial instructions through our Remind group.

Academic Dishonesty:

Plagiarism and academic dishonesty are serious offenses. The academic work of a student is expected to be his/her own effort. Students must give the author(s) credit for any source material used. To represent ideas or interpretations taken from a source without giving credit is a flagrant act. To present a borrowed passage after having changed a few words, even if the source is cited, is also plagiarism. Students who commit any act of academic dishonesty may receive a failing grade in that portion of the course work. Acts of academic dishonesty will be reported to the administration and to the parents of the student.

I look forward to a wonderful year,

Marissa Yocham

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Conference Time 9:43-10:32

*****THIS IS THE ONLY PAGE YOU WILL RETURN TO ME. PLEASE KEEP THE SYLLABUS INFORMATION.*****

Syllabus Acknowledgement Signature and Contact Information

Student and Parent/Guardian Signature

By signing below, you are stating that you have read and understand Coach Yocham's English 1 Syllabus.

*Student Signature:

Student Printed Name:

Date:

*Parent Signature:

Parent Printed Name:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Contact Information

****Please provide both even if you believe the information is updated in Skyward.**

Email:

Phone number:

Preferred method of contact:

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