

MS. MURPHREE'S CLASS SYLLABUS

English Language Arts | 9th grade | Rm 318

COURSE OVERVIEW

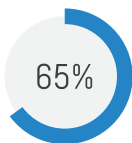
Welcome to 9th grade Honors English! I am very excited to be your teacher this year! We will be covering several texts including *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *The Odyssey*, several short stories and poems, and more. Our objectives this year will be to improve upon and/or obtain the skills of analysis, understanding and utilizing rhetorical devices, vocabulary, debate, research, writing, etc. We are going to have a fun year!

EXPECTATIONS

- 1 Be respectful to everyone and their ideas.
- 2 Come prepared with materials, ideas, and a positive attitude.
- 3 Participate actively in discussions & activities.
- 4 Follow all school rules and classroom procedures.

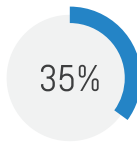
GRADING POLICY

Major grades:



Major grades consist of projects, unit tests, socratic circles, and final drafts of papers

Minor Grades



Minor grades consist of quizzes, vocabulary practice, classwork, homework, bell ringers/exit tickets, etc.

LATE WORK

Per the ACBOE Code of Conduct, if a student is absent for an **excused*** reason, they may make up work missed during the period of their absence; however, it is their responsibility to contact the teacher within no more than one week of returning to school to receive the work they missed.

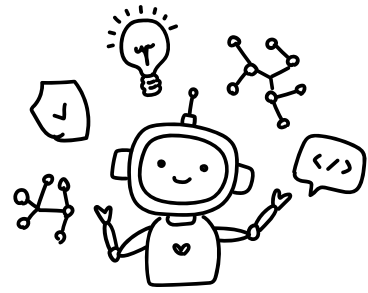
**if the absence is unexcused, students may receive a zero on missed assignments*

WHAT TO BRING

- ☐ Pen or pencil
- ☐ Composition Book
- ☐ Binder or folder
- ☐ College ruled paper

AI/PLAGIARISM POLICY

All work submitted in this class must be your own. Copying the ideas and words of a classmate, text, website, or having AI write an assignment for you will be considered plagiarism and will result in a zero on the assignment. You may only use AI tools if the teacher has approved it for the task. Remember, always cite where your information comes from!



TOPICS OF STUDY

Literary Analysis

Poetry and Short Stories

Dramatic Literature

Rhetorical Devices

Argumentative Writing

Vocabulary & Grammar

Digital Literacy

Synthesis & Research

Epics & Archetypes

CONTACT INFO

If you have questions or need extra support, feel free to reach out via email or Parent Square!



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Link to ParentSquare in the app store:



DEVICE POLICY

Prattville High School abides by the FOCUS act, which states that students are prohibited from utilizing "wireless communication devices" within the school building. These devices must be powered off and placed in a backpack, lunchbox, or purse throughout the day. Please visit the school website to learn more!