

Honors English 9

Course Information



Honors English 9 - Course Description

Honors English 9 is an accelerated 9th grade English course designed to provide a comprehensive curriculum in English Language Arts with integration of the CA ELD standards that were adopted by the SBE in November 2014.

The course calls for students to engage in a complex range of tasks (analytical, interpretive, collaborative, and application) that require strong critical thinking and problem solving skills demanded of 21st century living and learning.

Honors English 9 emphasises effective expression, content knowledge, and language development.

Applying to Honors English 9

There are several factors that affect your placement in Honors English 9:

- ▶ iReady Scores
- ▶ Previous Grade in English
- ▶ Overall GPA
- ▶ Your signature on the Google Form acknowledging that you have read and understood this presentation

More About Honors English 9

- ▶ We will read a variety of short stories, novels, plays, and nonfiction texts
- ▶ We will write no less than four major essays throughout the term.
- ▶ **Expect a minimum of one hour of outside reading per night**
- ▶ Expect several in class writing assessments throughout the term.
- ▶ There will be a minimum of four major unit tests and three major full-text close reading exams throughout the term

Is Honors English 9 Right for You?

- ▶ Do you love to read?
- ▶ Do you enjoy actively engaging in the writing process, including both drafting and thoughtful revision?
- ▶ Do you enjoy examining complex literature from a variety of perspectives?
- ▶ Do you enjoy active collaboration and intellectual academic conversations with your peers?

If you answered yes to these questions, then Honors English 9 might be the place for you!

Frequently Asked Questions

- ▶ “Do I get a bump or an extra point in my GPA?”
 - **No.**
- ▶ “Do I have to take Honors English 8 to get into Honors English 9?”
 - **No.**
- ▶ “Do I have to take Honors English 9 to be eligible for Honors English 10?”
 - **No.**

Summer and Winter Reading Assignments

- ▶ Summer Reading Titles and Assignments will be posted no later than **May 15, 2019**
 - You will be reading a minimum of three texts
 - Online assignments, including dialectical journals and digital collaboration will be **due in June and July**
- ▶ Winter Reading Title: Posted by **December 1st, 2019**
 - Winter Reading essay and test: **First week of class in January, 2020**



Questions?

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