

ENGLISH I HONORS

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ABOUT THIS CLASS

English I Honors focuses on the reading and analysis of informational and literary texts through the use of literacy strategies and critical thinking skills. Students will be expected to express their learning through long and short writing assignments that incorporate college-ready comprehension and analysis of complex texts and ideas. All student work should be proofread and edited to adhere to the conventions of standard English usage. At all times, students should be prepared to participate in small group and class-wide discussions and seminars as requested by the instructor.

COURSE SCHEDULE

- 8/2 - 8/31: Unit 1: Telling Details (short stories)
- 9/1 - 9/27: Unit 2: Pivotal Words & Phrases (poetry)
- 9/28 - 11/9: Unit 3: Compelling Evidence (argument)
- 11/13 - 12/8: Unit 4: Powerful Openings (novel excerpts)
- 12/11 - 12/18: FINAL EXAMS

Semester-long: Grammar: Simple Steps to Sentence Sense

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS

SpringBoard: English I. College Board, 2021

The majority of your coursework will be completed in your consumable Springboard textbook. It is imperative to have the book or assigned pages from the book with you in class unless otherwise instructed.

BCECHS: ENGLISH I HONORS (CONTD.)

QUARTER GRADES:

- Participation (10%)
 - Grammar Lesson Practice
 - Grammar Group Practice
 - Grammar Individual Practice
- Classwork/Homework (20%)
 - Grammar Writing Connection
 - SpringBoard Lessons
 - CommonLit
- Quizzes (30%)
 - Grammar Quizzes
 - Short Writing Assignments (RAFT, ACES, etc)
 - Socratic Seminars
- Tests (40%)
 - SpringBoard Lesson Unit Tests
 - Common Assessments
 - Essays

FINAL COURSE GRADE (F1):

- Quarter 1 (Q1) = 40%
- Quarter 2 (Q2) = 40%
- Final Exam (E1) = 20%

CONTACT MS. CUSHING

If you need to contact Ms. Cushing outside of class hours:

- Email her at **gcushing@beaufort.k12.nc.us** any time.
- Make an appointment to see her before school (8:30-9:00).
- Make an appointment to see her during her planning period (10:30-11:30) IF you have a free period or written permission from your 2nd period teacher.
- Come to **ELA tutoring Wednesdays after school (3:00-4:00)**
- Make an appointment to see her after school (M, T, Th: 3:00-4:00)