

# Reading 7

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## Remind Text Alerts

Sign up for the class text alerts for updates on homework, tests, quizzes, and other important due dates. Download the Remind App to be able to chat with Mrs. Massie for help.



HONORS

Text @tpmassie to 81010

REGULAR

Text @ria-7 to 81010

HOMEROOM

Text @smshome to 81010

## Class Materials



- loose leaf paper
- pencils & blue or black pens
- highlighters

composition notebook

The notebook will need to be organized in this order:

1. Table of Contents
2. Texts & Close Reading Questions
3. Notes & Constructed Responses
4. Handouts (& Graded Assignments)

## Grades

A 93-100

B 85-92

C 75-85

D 70-74

F 0-69



### Students are graded on

- \*close reading analyses
- \*group work
- \*constructed responses
- \*novel studies
- \*quizzes
- \*tests
- \*long & short essays
- \*class participation
- \*notebook checks

## Rules & Expectations

### RESPECT

- \*Students will maintain a respectful and positive attitude toward the teacher and classmates.
- \*Be on time! Punctuality is my biggest pet-peeve. On your 3rd tardy, you will receive detention (and every time after that).

### BEHAVIOR

- \*No sleeping in class. If you sleep, you will stand for the duration of the class period.
- \*Cell phones are not allowed to be used in the classroom. Keep it turned off and put away or it will be confiscated.

### RESPONSIBILITY

- \*Keep all graded work. DO NOT throw away graded assignments until AFTER you receive your report cards/ progress reports. You must have the paper with the grade written on it in order for me to make changes should there ever be a mistake.

### MATERIALS

- \*Come prepared with your notebook, agenda, novels, and writing utensils every day.
- \*We will study excerpts of fiction and nonfiction texts. We will use our composition notebook as our primary textbook.
- \*iPads, Kindles, etc. cannot be used in class - even if it is for academic purposes.



Grades will be available in the PowerSchool Home Portal and on Google Classroom.

- Please **check PowerSchool regularly**, and feel free to ask me any questions that you might have about a particular grade. I make mistakes, so this is your opportunity to make sure I've got everything correct! This can be done before or after class or via e-mail.
- If you do not have an PowerSchool login, you can **get one from the front office.**

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## Absentee Policy

- 1 YES – WE DID SOMETHING IMPORTANT WHILE YOU WERE ABSENT.** It is your responsibility to check with me the day you return to class to find out what you missed. Check the **class website** to find any handouts you missed.
- 2** You have **ONE DAY for each day you are absent** to make up missed work. After that day, any missing assignments will be accepted with a late penalty.

- 3 e-submission policy:** You are always welcome to e-mail me your assignments. There is no excuse to not have an assignment in on time. **Printer and Internet issues are not an excuse.** If technology failures happen, hand-write your assignment.
- 4** Any assignment you are absent for will be entered as a **ZERO until it is turned in.**

## Homework & Other Policies



**\*Late work is** accepted for **50% (F)** of the grade.

### **\*EXTRA CREDIT POLICY:**

There are at least four opportunities for extra credit available throughout the duration of every quarter. You may take advantage of them at any time.

### **\*TEST/QUIZ RETAKE:**

Do not expect to have the opportunity to retake a test/quiz. It is critical that you study before every test/quiz to achieve the highest score possible.



**\*LIFE HAPPENS!** If you are having issues at school or at home, have a huge exam coming up for language arts, or realize you need more time to complete your absolute best work for any other reason, e-mail me and request an extension. **You must come talk to me or e-mail me the day before** for the extension to be granted. You cannot come in 5 minutes before class without your assignment and expect an extension.



**\*All typed assignments must be in 12 pt., Times New Roman font,** double-spaced, and have 1" margins with your name, class period, and date in the top left corner with a centered title. In addition to the library and computer labs, Mrs. Massie has 6 computers for students to use in her classroom to type/research.

**Late work will be entered in PowerSchool when I get to it.** If my work is not your priority, putting it in PowerSchool immediately is not mine. DO NOT repeatedly ask me to enter it 5 minutes after you turn it in.

## Notice...

I have read and understand the rules and expectations for Reading Language Arts 7. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to contact my teacher if I have any questions or concerns. I know that this syllabus, assignments, calendars, and resources are available to me on the **class website and Google Classroom** at any time. I know that assignments can be emailed to the teacher at any time and that printer/computer/flash drive issues are not an excuse for late assignments.



Student



Parent/Guardian

## Plagiarism:

### What it is & how to avoid it

To plagiarize is defined as taking ideas and writings of another and passing them off as one's own. Students caught plagiarizing will be given a ZERO for the assignment.

### Plagiarism includes...

- 1** turning in someone else's paper as **your own**
- 2** **copying a friend's paper** 5 minutes before class (or having another teacher catch you copying work in his/her classroom)
- 3** failing to **cite** a source
- 4** copying an **author's exact words** and passing them off as your own

## Cheating...

**\*The teacher will notify the administration and contact parents if cheating is suspected.**  
**\*The student will be given a failing grade for that particular test, assignment, for the grading period, or for the semester.**  
**\*Students involved in cheating may be excluded from any/all school activities.**