

ENGLISH 11



HOW TO REACH ME

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COURSE CONTENT

This year you will learn...

We will be covering a variety of texts and writing styles during our work together this year. I encourage students to shift their thinking from being grade oriented to focus on individual improvement and growth. Whenever possible, choice will be given to allow students to demonstrate their knowledge.

Texts will include a novel study, short stories, poetry, Shakespearian drama, and non-fiction. Students are required to come prepared with a reading of their choosing for daily silent reading.

Writing that will be practiced this year includes expository, persuasive, memoir, and research. An emphasis will be placed on the use of proper citations of academic sources.

Our biggest goal this year is that all learners will further develop their critical thinking and inquiry skills. Students will have many opportunities to question what they read, see, and hear over the course of grade 11 English.

CLASS MATERIALS

loose leaf paper

pencils & blue/black pens

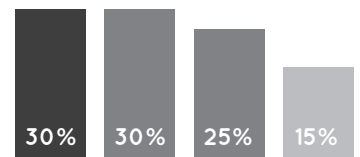
highlighters

binder

The binder will need to be organized in this order:

1. Hand-outs (e.g. assignments, vocab lists, worksheets)
2. Current assignments
3. Notes
4. Graded assignments

GRADES



papers & tests

assignments & projects

final exam

participation

Many assignments will be passed back with constructive feedback, not a grade. Students are encouraged to use this feedback to guide their work. Progress reports will regularly be given to students to give them understanding of how they are doing in the course.

EXPECTATIONS

*Students will maintain a **respectful and positive attitude** toward the teacher and classmates.

***Be on time!** Punctuality is important. Students who arrive unreasonably late will be sent to the office for a late slip.

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

***Engaged.** Students are to participate daily and perform at their best.

*Cell phones must be kept in the designated location in the classroom. If not, it will be taken and the **cell phone policy will be applied.**

*Come prepared with your binder, homework book, novels, and writing supplies every day.

*iPads, Kindles, etc. **can be used** for silent reading. However, if you are caught using for other purposes, this privilege will be lost for the remainder of the year.

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PLAGIARISM: WHAT IS IT AND 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.**

HOMEWORK POLICIES



***LATE WORK IS** accepted with the following reductions:
 1 day: - 5%
 2 days: - 10%
 3 days: - 20% and after school detention
 4 days: No longer accepted

***GROWTH MINDSET POLICY:** If students are ever unhappy with the feedback they receive on their assignment, they may complete a growth mindset form indicating what they have worked on for improvement and resubmit.



***LIFE HAPPENS!** If you are having issues at school or at home, have a huge exam coming up for science, 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 and date in the top left corner with a centered title. In addition to the library and computer labs, Mrs. Lamont has student computer in her classroom to type/research. Students can stay any day after school to use available technology.

NOTICE

Late work will be graded as promptly as possible. **DO NOT** repeatedly ask me to mark it 5 minutes after you turn it in.

ABSENTEE POLICY



- ***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 MISSED WORK folder at the front of the classroom or class website** to find any handouts you missed.
- * 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**.
- ***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.

I, _____, have read and understand the rules and expectations for English 11. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to contact my teacher if I have any questions or concerns. I know that this syllabus, assignments, and resources are available to me on the **school website (mhs.nbed.nb.ca)** on **Mrs. Lamont's teacher page** 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 signature _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____