



ESL/LA @ Valley High

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CLASS DESCRIPTION: This is a multi-leveled class of students with varying English proficiencies. It is designed to allow students to grow in their English skills at a pace that best fits their learning style and needs. The structure and direction of the class varies quarter to quarter depending on the students' needs and the needs of our school.

GOAL: Use the English language to communicate orally/written in the classroom setting as well as in the real world setting.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance is very important at Valley High. You **MUST** make every effort to be in class.

1. 1st and 2nd absence Notify the teacher by e-mail or phone. Please include the following in your message:
 1. Name
 2. Class time
 3. Reason why you can't make it to class (be brief)
2. 3rd absence In accordance with Valley policy, the student will be given a "NC" for the class
3. Tardies 3 tardies = 1 absence

* Possible make-ups will be discussed on an individual basis with the student.

GRADING: Your grade in this class will be calculated on a percentage.

Oral/Class participation	25%
Class reading	25%
Assignments	50%

Grades are updated at least weekly on Skyward so students can monitor personal performance. Please track your own progress.

Grading Scale: Students may check their grade at any time on Skyward.

A = 100%-95%	B+ = 89%-87%	C+ = 79%-77%	D+ = 69%-67%	F = < 60%
A- = 94%-90%	B = 86%-83%	C = 76%-73%	D = 66%-63%	
	B- = 82%-80%	C- = 72%-70%	D- = 62%-60%	

READING: You will be required to read 200 pages this quarter. Also be prepared to thoughtfully reflect on your reading. Reading the book club selection is a great way to also meet the reading requirement.

ASSIGNMENTS: Students must turn in ALL assignments to the "IN BASKET" for your correct hour. Assignments turned in elsewhere may not be graded. All late work must be turned in BEFORE the last week of the quarter. Assignments will be graded as soon as possible.

CLASS PARTICIPATION: Student will earn 10 participation points each day you attend and participate in class activities. Points may be lost if you fail to participate, engage in inappropriate classroom behavior, do not clean up after yourself, or for being tardy.

POWER HOUR: You are welcome to come to my room during Power Hour to work on homework, read, watch school videos or participate in other activities as scheduled.

CLASS RULES:

1. **Be here and be on time.** If you are more than 5 minutes late, you will be marked absent. Students needing to leave class for an **emergency** must get my approval. Please only ask to leave for a **real emergency**. Leaving class without approval will result in an absence.
2. **Respect** the rights and property of others. Be respectful, courteous, and attentive. Talking and disruptions during class is not acceptable. **NO PROFANITY.** If ANY student is not respectful and responsible, he/she will receive an office referral and parents may be notified. Students will not get credit for work or quizzes completed while they are out of the classroom for misbehavior.
3. **Be prepared and on task.** This is a learning environment. Always bring a pen or pencil, paper, journal assignment, positive attitude and plan to learn.
4. **Be tidy.** Take pride in your work. Pick up your trash. You are expected to push in your chair and clean up after yourself at the end of each class. **CLEAN UP IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.** Failure to do so will result in loss of participation points.
5. **Remain** seated until you are dismissed. I am the bell.
6. **ALL Valley High School policies**, including **dress code, disciplinary guidelines, and attendance policy** will be strictly enforced.

I have set high standards and fair expectations. If you have a problem or concern about these requirements, please talk with me. I am available before and after school as well as during posted office hours. I also check email multiple times a day

Student Name: _____ Class Time: _____

Student Email : _____

Cell/Home Phone: _____

My signature indicates that I have read the disclosure statement and understand the expectations and policies of this class.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date