

# WORLD LITERATURE

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## LITERATURE OVERVIEW

The following texts, writing assignments, and presentations will be read, written, and presented this year:

### Reading

*The Lord of the Flies*, Golding  
*The Alchemist*, Coelho  
*The Iliad*, Homer  
*Hamlet*, Shakespeare  
*The Importance of Being Earnest*, Wilde  
*Oedipus the King*, Sophocles  
*Inferno*, Dante Aleghieri  
Semester Independent Reading Novel  
Select nonfiction, short stories, and poetry  
\*other novels may be added at a later date

### Writing

*Critical response*  
*Research*  
*Personal response*  
*Reflective*  
*Informative*  
*Persuasive*

### Speaking

Students should expect to perform at least one speech or oral presentation per quarter.

### TEXTBOOKS

no literature textbook required (novels purchased upon request)  
*Sadlier Vocabulary Workshop*, Level F

### DAILY CLASSROOM ROUTINE

1. Enter the classroom calmly and quietly
2. Look at the homework for the day, make note of homework in planner
3. Prayer
4. Wait for further directions on the day's agenda

### MATERIALS

The following items must be brought to class every day:

- ✓ iPad
- ✓ Planner (or iHomework app on iPad)
- ✓ Notebook & folder
- ✓ Pencil, blue or black pen, & red pen

### TARDINESS POLICY

Students will be on time and in their assigned seats, ready to begin when the class bell rings. If a student is tardy, the Behavior Rubric will be enforced.

### GRADING

Grading will be done on a point system.

- ✓ Homework will generally be worth 3-10 points
- ✓ Quizzes will generally be worth 10-20 points
- ✓ Tests will generally be worth 100 points
- ✓ Major projects (essays, presentations, speeches) will generally be worth 50-100 points
- ✓ Major projects and tests may be weighted according to twice its point value

### LATE / ABSENT WORK POLICY

- ☑ Homework must be turned in when requested on the due date in order to get full credit for that assignment.
- ☑ Late work will be accepted for half-credit.
- ☑ Major Projects will be accepted 1-day late, but grading begins at 50%.
- ☑ Absences: Students will receive the number of school days absent in order to make up work from those absences. Students are responsible for checking the class website and inquiring about missed work!
- ☑ Make-up tests and quizzes: Tests should be made up on the day a student returns to school. Students are expected to make arrangements with the teacher to make up a quiz or test that was missed due to an excused absence. If one week goes by without arrangements having been made, a zero will be given for the test / quiz.

### iPAD POLICIES

Students should only have the iPad out when requested by the teacher. A student may use his/her iPad for homework questions and notes, but are not required to do so. For misuse of an iPad, a Level Two will be issued, and the iPad will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day in the office. On further offenses, the student will earn further school discipline in addition to having the iPad confiscated.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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