

Welcome to English 7 – Mr. Nelson

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class website: www.nelsonsrealm.weebly.com

List of Supplies (bring every day):

1. Your planner
2. A novel for reading
3. Notebook (college-lined, composition-style, 70 pages) just for this class
4. A binder/folder and loose-leaf paper
5. Pencils/pens (black/blue), and colored pencils

Expectations: Come prepared, listen, participate in class instruction, discussion, and working time, do your best work, and keep the classroom clean. In short, adhere to the Grizzly Guide to be respectful, responsible, resourceful, and brave. Follow all Timberline policies, which you can find on our school website.

Reading: Frequent reading is one of the best things you can do. Bring a novel with you every day for “Grizzly Read.” We’ll also read some books together as a class. Try to obtain a copy of *The Outsiders*, *The Hobbit*, and your Term 1 Lit Circle book (TBA 2nd or 3rd week of school) to have available at home.

The books you read will count towards the Grizzly Book Challenge, which is to read at least 750 pages each term. This will be a part of your grade. You can learn more about the challenge on www.nelsonsrealm.weebly.com.

Writing: Learning to write well will sharpen your thinking in every subject at school. Bring your composition notebook every day. Other writing pieces will come with rubrics and targets.

Grading: 60% of your grade is based on grade-level essential standards, 2-3 per term. To pass the class, you must show proficiency in these standards. However, you will have the support you need to succeed. The rest of your grade, from D- to A, is based on the other work we do in class. Not only should you complete your assignments, show quality and pride in that work. You are encouraged to redo assignments if you have a low score.

Late/Missing Work: Work is due when it is called for in class. If an assignment is not ready to turn in when it is due, it can be turned into the “late/absent/make-up work” basket. Late assignments may receive a 20% deduction, so make turning in your assignments a priority. If you were absent for an assignment, be proactive in finding out what it is and turn it in by the next class period. Missing assignments will need to be turned in by an announced date each term.

Tests and Quizzes: If you are absent for a test, you must make it up once you return, or late points may be deducted. The make-up test may be an alternate assessment.

Zeros: A “0” in Skyward means that an assignment hasn’t been accounted for. Turn it into the “late/absent” basket as soon as possible. Once in, it may take up to a week to be graded. (Be patient!) If you have a zero and are sure you turned it in, check the “no name” wall first.

Films/Clips: We’ll occasionally watch movies or clips as part of our curriculum. Parent, please inform me if you have concerns about any of the following:
Twilight Zone (1959) – *The Outsiders* (1983)– *The Hobbit* movie clips (2012-14) –
The Lion King – *A Bug’s Life* – other Disney/Pixar movies

Teacher Conferencing: I love helping you out with assignments! The best way to do this is to visit before/after school or email me.

In compliance with the Disabilities Act, students needing special accommodations may contact the instructor for alternative arrangements.

Grades are broken down as follows:

93-100%	A	73-76%	C
90-92%	A-	70-72%	C-
87-89%	B+	67-69%	D+
83-86%	B	63-66%	D
80-82%	B-	60-62%	D-
77-79%	C+	0-59%	F

Thanks for being here! It’s going to be a great year.

Signature/Parent Contact Page

I have read and understand the disclosure document for English 7.

Student Name (please print)

Student Signature

Date

Parents, please provide the best way to contact you.

Parent Name

Parent Contact Information

**Parents, to receive text reminders, text @e96384 to the phone number 810-10.
Students, please get permission from your parents first.**

English 7 Wish List

(Donations are wonderfully appreciated – thank you!)

Pencils

Tissues

Markers

Lined paper

Masking tape

Hand sanitizer

And, of course, candy!