

English III American Literature Fall 2011
Gold Rush Charter School

Text: Elements of Literature

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The course will cover many of the California State Standards for Language Arts with an emphasis on Writing, Reading, Listening and Speaking Strategies. Students will be assigned Persuasive, Narrative, Descriptive and Expository essays and given numerous opportunities to explore their personal writing voice. Additionally, students will be expected to complete Reading Logs and various assignments in the text.

Grades: Based on the percentage of cumulative points possible earned. Grades are maintained on an electronic grade book, providing access to progress reports.

90-100% **A**

80-89% **B**

70-79% **C**

55-69% **D**

Attendance: Attendance is essential! If you are absent you will not earn participation points that involve class discussions and activities. If it is an excused or planned absence, talk to me privately for an alternate assignment. Work is due on day of return **unless prior** arrangements have been made.

Notebook: A three-ring binder separated into the following sections

1. Vocabulary
2. Writing
3. Reading Logs
4. Text Stories
5. Homework
6. Miscellaneous

All assignments must have the correct heading to receive a score:

→**Heading is top right corner!**

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Homework: As a “Home Study Charter School” your homework is a serious part of your grade. Failure to complete your homework on time will affect your grade.

Office Hours: If you can’t meet with me during lunch or after 200pm, call me and we will find a time to get your questions answered.

It is going to be a *great* year! Please share this course description with your parent/guardian and sign in the spaces below.

Student Name (PRINT)

Student Signature

Parent Name (PRINT)

Parent Signature