

Language A: Literature HL English 11 IB

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English 11 IB is a demanding honors course meeting international standards. Students should be highly motivated, college-bound juniors who are prepared to commit to a course of study which requires independent reading coupled with critical thinking, speaking, and analytical writing. Students are expected to participate daily in our class discussions. Students who do not participate (whether due to not raising hand or absences) will receive a reduced discussion score. 20% of the English IB testing will be accomplished during junior year. Students are expected to create and maintain an electronic Learner Portfolio (Padlet, Google, Wiki) that contains their notes, ideas, and writing assignments. They will use this Learner Portfolio throughout 11th and 12th grades.

Projected Main Texts:

- Revenge* by Yoko Ogawa
- The Awakening* by Kate Chopin
- Sing, Unburied, Sing* by Jesmyn Ward
- The Thing Around Your Neck* by Chiminanda Adichie
- The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood
- Pedro Paramo* by Juan Rulfo
- Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi
- Oedipus/Antigone* by Sophocles
- The Visit* by Friedrich Dürrenmatt

In addition to journal and commentary writing, discussions, and small group presentations, students will complete the HL essay which is worth 20% of their IB English score. The essay requires students to construct a focused, analytical argument examining the work from a broad literary perspective. It also requires them to adhere to the formal framework of the academic essay, using citations and references.

Please refer to the "Highland Park Senior High School Grading and Assessment Policy" on the Highland Park Senior High webpage for further information on the grading scale and make up work.

Additional Classroom Expectations:

- **Keys to Success:** Complete the reading and writing assignments. Come to class prepared. Be ready to participate and to learn.
- **Adhere to the due dates.** Most everything will be submitted online, so absences should not interfere with submission due dates. Please see me immediately for work missed due to an excused absence. At this time, I will give you a new due date. If you do not see me for a new due date, the score will be a 0.
- **Plagiarism** means copying from another source. If you copy a friend's homework, turn in an older sibling's essay, or just change a few words from something you found on the internet, you've plagiarized. Please don't do this. The consequence for plagiarism is a zero with no chance to make it up. Please refer to the "Highland Park Senior High School Academic Honesty Policy" for more details. We will use Turnitin.com.
- **Test and quiz policy:** Any attempt to cheat or to communicate with another classmate during any testing situation will result in a zero with no make-up. Test and quizzes that are missed due to excused absences must be made up within one week of the absence. The make-ups will take place before school. After one week, outstanding summatives will marked as 0.

I have read and understand the course requirements for English 11 Literature HL. I have also read and understand the Highland Park Senior High School Grading and Assessment Policy and Academic Honesty Policy.

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

(Upload a signed copy to Schoology.)