

English Language Arts 9

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****Please note that a final grade of 65% in English Language Arts 9 is a prerequisite in order to advance to English 10-1. ****

Units:

The following units will be covered in this course:

5 Weeks	<i>U1 = Writing Process and Composition</i>
5 Weeks	<i>U2 = Novel Study "The Pigman"</i>
5 Weeks	<i>U3 = Short Stories + NSG #1 (independent novel choice)</i>
5 Weeks	<i>U4 = Media and Film Study</i>
5 Weeks	<i>U5 = Poetry + NSG #2 (Selected novel "Swallowing Stones")</i>
5 Weeks	<i>U6 = Speech and Drama- Shakespeare</i>
<i>Throughout the Year-May-June Achievement Exam Preparation</i>	

Students will choose what order they wish to complete their Units in. They must advise their teacher of their intent for the order of completion of the first 3 units at the beginning of the course.

Textbooks:

- 1 Novel of the student's choice for the Independent Novel Study (approved by their Key Parent)*
- Resource Book: Resourcelines 9/10*
- Anthology: Sightlines 9*
- Drama: A Midsummer Night's Dream*
- Novel: The Pigman **AND** Swallowing Stones*

Evaluation:

This is a year-long course. All marks are cumulative and can be found in the Moodle dropdown or in PowerSchool throughout the year. This course will be evaluated using a variety of weighted assessments.

Assessment Categories	Weightings
Summative Assessments -projects/major (larger) assignments	40%
Formative Assessments -practice/skills (smaller assignments) development	20%
Independent Novel Studies (2)	15%
Exams/Tests/Quizzes	25%

There will be no RVSCLC COURSE Year End Final Exam; **HOWEVER, you will have to write the Provincial Achievement Exams Part A and Part B. The results from the P.A.T. tests are not used in the calculation of the student's grades in this course.**

Academic Dishonesty (Plagiarism) Procedure:

Rocky View Schools highlights the importance of not plagiarizing others' work including assignments, tests, quizzes and exams. **Plagiarism is a serious offense**; it will be brought to the attention of the Administration of the school. Plagiarized work will result in a grade of "zero" for

the assignment and may result in a grade of “zero” for the course, as well as academic suspension/expulsion.