

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

**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 dropbox 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.