# **Cosby High School**

# **Part 1: Course Information**

## **Instructor Information**

**Course: English I** 

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# **Course Description**

English I is designed to strengthen students reading, writing, listening, critical thinking and speaking skills. Students will strengthen their understanding of the structures of literature through readings in drama, poetry, and the novel. They will write for literature analysis and research purposes. Course content is meant to prepare students for college and/or entering the world of work, as well as passing the high school TN Ready End of Course Test, the A.C.T., and to meet the Tennessee Language Arts Content Standards.

## **English I**

English I is a course for students who are functioning on grade level in reading, composition, and conventions. The curriculum includes the study and development of close reading, literary and informational text analysis, composition, and research.

#### **English I Honors**

Honors I is a course for students who are functioning above grade level in reading, composition, and conventions. These students must have the motivation, desire, and a high work ethic to participate in the program. This Honors course requires a high skill set in close reading, extensive reading and analysis of literary and informational texts, argumentative and informational essay writing, and research. It also requires advanced study techniques and outside readings. As this is a course to prepare for success in the Dual Enrollment curriculum, the course work will be very rigorous in nature.

#### **Prerequisite**

- Must have completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade English course
- This is one of four English classes that students must pass to graduate high school.

#### General Education/High School Pathway Area

- Students are learning to read and interpret literature to prepare for college, technical school, military, and work.
- Being able to read and interpret literature ensures that students are better prepared to read and comprehend materials across the curriculum.

# **Textbook & Course Materials**

## **Required Text**

• StudySync Grade 9

#### **Additional Resources:**

- Romeo and Juliet DVD
- The Odyssey DVD
- Appalachian Impressions: Hiking the Appalachian Trail DVD
- El Condor Pasa Wild Video clips online
- A & E History Channel Halloween documentary

#### **Online Resources**

**Purdue OWL online writing** lab (learning tool for any and all types of writing)

**ACT website** (ACT preparation)

**Spark Notes website** (learning tool)

**No Fear Shakespeare website** (translation for Romeo and Juliet)

**StudySync** (used in and out of the classroom on a daily basis)

**Study Island** (used in and out of the classroom on a daily basis)

**Google Classroom** (used some of the time for class. It will have many power-points and handouts that we do in class in the classroom stream)

**Remind App** (Primary mode of taking attendance for remote days/Quaratine days, primary mode of communicating with me during remote days when students need help, primary mode of communication from or to me with parents about their child). I have made a student Remind class and a parent remind class for each of my blocks. That way, parent/guardian phones are not bombarded with notifications for the students.

# **Course Requirements**

- 3 Ring Binder
- Notebook Paper
- Pencil
- Highlighters (Pink, Blue, Orange, and Yellow)
- Blue/Black Ink Pen
- Red Pen
- Colored Pencils/Markers (optional)

# **Course Structure**

**Methods:** Course structure is based about small amounts of lectures, student led and maintained class discussions and participation, as needed homework assignments, daily classwork, quizzes, comprehensive exams and writings, comprehensive projects, English notebook, class presentations, and class readings

#### **Assessment Methods**

Daily classwork, quizzes, comprehensive exams and writings, comprehensive projects, English notebook, class presentations, and discussion

# **Part 2: Student Learning Outcomes**

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar usage when writing and speaking.
- Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
- Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
- Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
- Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
- Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the post-secondary and workforce level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
- Read closely to determine what a text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
- Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
- Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
- Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
- Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
- Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
- Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
- Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and

- sufficiency of the evidence.
- Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches an author takes.
- Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently
- Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with varied partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
- Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media formats, such as visual, quantitative, and oral formats.
- Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.
- Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning; the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
- Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations
- Adapt speech to a variety of contents and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
- Write arguments to support claims in a analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
- Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
- Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

You will meet the objectives listed above through a combination of the following activities in this course:

- Attend class on a regular basis.
- Complete all classwork/homework, quizzes, tests/exams, projects, compositions, notebook, and TNReady End of Course Exam.
- Participate in class regularly, in all class discussions, in pair and group work, and independent work.

# Part 3: Topic Outline/Schedule

# **Pacing Guide**

First week activities will include icebreaker activities such as "2 Truths and a Lie" in which students and teacher make three classroom friendly statements about themselves, and everyone guesses which is true. Students will create words from a letter wheel

## Semester 1 and 2

Daily Oral Lessons (DOLs) will be given as bell-ringers and Study Island will be incorporated into the curriculum when time allows. Both will cover the grammar and conventions that students need to know on the End of Course Exam.

| Unit Theme                                      | Pacing<br>Days | Readings/Cla<br>ss Activities  | Teacher<br>Added<br>Readings &<br>Materials | Skill and Standard<br>Instruction  | TN<br>State<br>Standards<br>Covered  |
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| DIVIDED WE FALL  1st 9 Weeks  August- September | 1-7            | Daily Oral Lesson1-7: Capitalization, Spelling, and Punctuation "Marigolds" short story by Eugenia Collier |   | Context Clues Textual Evidence First Read Character Narrative Writing Close Read Collaborative Conversations | 9-10.L.VAU.4 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.3 (B)<br>9-10.W.TTP.3 (B)<br>9-10.RL.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.SL.CC.1 (NT) |
| B=Blueprint<br>NT=Non-<br>Tested                | 6              | Daily Oral<br>Lesson 6:<br>Semicolons  |   | Capitalization, Spelling, Punctuation Semicolons   | 9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)<br>9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)   |
| . 55164   |                | The Big Idea   |   | Argumentative Writing Academic Vocabulary Recognizing Genre -  | 9-10.W.TTP.1 (B)<br>9-10.L.VAU.6 (B)<br>9-10.SL.CC.1-2 (NT)  |
|   | 7-8            | Daily Oral<br>Lesson 7-  |   | Parallel Structure   | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)   |

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| DIVIDED WE FALL  1st 9 Weeks | 9-11  | 8:Parallel Structure  "Sure You Can Ask Me A Personal Question" poem by Diane Burns Daily Oral Lesson: Phrases and Clauses | None | Text Structure → Author POV/Purpose → Phrases/Clauses                          | 9-10.RL.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.RL.CS.6 (B)<br>9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)                               |
| August-<br>September         |       | Angela's Ashes<br>novel excerpt<br>by Frank<br>McCourt   |      | Collaborative Conversations  Language, Style, and Audience                     | 9-10.SL.CC.1 (NT)  9-10.RI.CS.4 (B) 9-10.RL.KID.1 (B) 9-10.RI.RRTC.10(NT)              |
|                              | 12-13 | Daily Oral<br>Lesson: Colons<br>"Welcome To<br>America" poem<br>by Sara Abou<br>Rashed                                     | None | Textual Evidence  Close Read  Colons  Textual Evidence  Short Response Writing | 9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.W.RW.10 (B)                              |
|                              | 14-18 | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>Active/Passive<br>Voice "I Have A<br>Dream" speech<br>by Martin<br>Luther King, Jr.               | None | Using Active/Passive Voice   | 9-10.L.CSE.1  9-10.RI.KID.1(B)  9-10.RI.IKI.9 (B)  9-10.RI.IKI.8 (B)  9-10.W.TTP.1 (B) |
|                              | 19    | Study Island   | None | Argumentative Writing  | 9-10.L.CSE.1-2 (B)<br>9-10.L.VAU.6 (B)   |
|                              | 20    | Unit Exam Unit<br>Exam   | None | Grammar and Conventions  All the above skills will be assessed                 | All the above standards will be assessed   |

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| THE ART OF DISQUISE (Romeo and Juliet)  1st 9 Weeks | 1-3 | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>Function of<br>Verbs<br>Shakespeare                    | Romeo and<br>Juliet<br>Background<br>Powerpoint<br>Shakes-peare           | Function of Verbs—  Collaborative                     | 9-10.L.CSE.1(B)  |
|   |     | Introduction  | Webquest  | Conversations  Analyze Text/Textual Evidence          | 9-10.SL.CC.1(NT)<br>9-10.RI.KID.1(B)                       |
| THE ART OF  |     | Big Idea Blast  | Shakes-peare<br>A&E<br>Biography  |   |  |
| DISQUISE<br>(Romeo and<br>Juliet)                   |     |   | Perfect Mate<br>Questions   |   |  |
| 1st 9 Weeks<br>October                              |     | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>Academic<br>Vocabulary                                 | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" fight<br>scene film clip<br>by Franco<br>Zefirrelli | Academic Vocabulary                                   | 9-10.L.VAU.6 (B)   |
|   | 3-5 | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" (Act I,<br>Scenes i-ii)<br>play by William<br>Shakespeare | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" Fight<br>Scene film clip<br>by Baz<br>Luhrman       | Textual Evidence  Central Idea  Author's Purpose      | 9-10.RI.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.4 (B) |
|   |     | Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelsen Chs 1-5 (Standard)                        |   | Evaluate Two Diverse Formats The Precise word/phrases | 9-10.RL.IKI.7 (B)<br>9-10.W.TTP.3.f (B)                    |
|   |     | "Remarks to<br>the Senate in<br>Support of A                                    |   |   |  |
|   |     | Declaration Of<br>Conscience"<br>speech by<br>Margaret Chase<br>Smith           |   | Sentence Structure                                    | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)   |
| THE ART OF DISQUISE (Romeo and Juliet)  1st 9 Weeks | 6-9 | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>Sentence<br>Structure                                  | "Romeo and<br>Juliet Balcony<br>Scene film clip                           | Language, Style, Audience                             | 9-10.RL.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.RL.CS.4 (B)                       |

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| September-<br>October                               |              | "Romeo and<br>Juliet (Act I,<br>Scenes iii-v)<br>play by William<br>Shakespeare   | by Franco<br>Zefirrelli<br>"Romeo and<br>Juliet" Balcony<br>Scene film clip | Evaluate Two Diverse Formats   | 9-10.RL.IKI.7 (B)   |
| THE ART OF DISQUISE (Romeo and Juliet)  1st 9 Weeks | 9-12<br>9-12 | Touching Spirit<br>Bear by Ben<br>Mikaelsen<br>Chs 6-9  | by Baz<br>Luhrman<br>Google Maps  | Colons→ → → →  | 9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)  9-10.RL.KID.1 (B) 9-10.RL.KID.2 (B)                           |
| September-<br>October                               |              | "A School's<br>Peace Room<br>aims to End<br>Fighting in the<br>Halls"<br>Newsletter                                     |   | Analyze Text Explicitly/Infer Determine Theme Character/Event Impact on Meaning Figurative Meaning | 9-10.RL.KID.3 (B) 9-10.RL.CS.4 (B) 9-10.W.TTP.3 (B) 9-10.RL.IKI.7 (B)           |
|   |              | "The Pose"<br>short story by<br>Anwar Khan<br>"Blues Ain't No<br>Mockin Bird"<br>short story by<br>Toni Cade<br>Bambara | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" fight<br>scene by<br>Franco<br>Zefirrelli             | (Allusion)→ Narrative Writing→ → Evaluate Two Diverse Formats→ → →                                 | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)  |
| THE ART OF<br>DISQUISE<br>(Romeo and<br>Juliet)     | 13-14        | Daily Oral<br>Lesson: Colons<br>"Romeo and<br>Juliet" (Act II)<br>play by William<br>Shakespeare                        | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" fight<br>scene by Baz<br>Zefirrelli                   | Modifiers → → →  Story Structure → →  Character → →  | 9-10.RL.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.3 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RL.IKI.7 (B) |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks<br>September-<br>October    |              | Touching Spirit<br>Bear by Ben<br>Mikaelsen<br>Chs10-13   | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" Death<br>Scene by<br>Franco<br>Zefirrelli             | Theme Two Diverse Formats  | 9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)  |

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|   | 15-17 | Romiette and<br>Julio novel<br>excerpt by<br>Sharon Draper  | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" Death<br>Scene by Baz<br>Luhrman | Punctuation→ → →  | 9-10.RL.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RL.CS.4 (B) |
| THE ART OF  |       |   |  |   | 9-10.RL.IKI.7 (B)   |
| THE ART OF DISQUISE (Romeo and Juliet)  1st 9 Weeks  September- |       | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:   |  | Analyze Text Explicitly/Infer; Textual Evidence  Summarizing Figurative Meaning | 9-10.VAU.4a,c (B)<br>9-10.W.TTP.2 (B)   |
| October   |       | Modifiers   |  | <b>→</b>  |   |
|   |       | "Romeo and<br>Juliet" (Act III)<br>play by William  |  | Evaluate Two Diverse Formats  |   |
|   | 17-20 | Shakespeare   | Online images  |   | 9-10.W.TTP.2 (B)  |
|   |       | Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelsen Chs 14-20 "The Cask of Amontillado" short story by Edgar Allan Poe                                    | of totem poles   | Vocabulary → → → Narrative Writing → →  |   |
|   |       | Daily Oral Lesson: Punctuation  "Romeo and Juliet" (Act IV- V) Play by William Shakespeare  Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelsen Chs 21-28 |  | Informative Writing   |   |

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|  |      | Quiet: The Power of Introverts In A World That Can't Stop Talking novel excerpt by Susan Cain  Culminating Writing Task (counts as Unit Exam)              |   |   |   |
| Declaring Your Genius (The Odyssey)  2nd 9 Weeks  November- December | 1-2  | Daily Oral Lesson: Noun Clauses  The Odyssey Introduction  Daily Oral Lesson: Spelling The Odyssey (Book 1) epic poem by Homer translated by Robert Fagles | The Odyssey<br>Background<br>Powerpoint | Noun Clauses  Collaborative Conversations  Spelling | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)  9-10.SL.CC.1 (NT)  9-10.L.CSE.2 (B)   |
|  | 3-5  | "An Indian Father's Plea" letter by Robert Lake Thom  Daily Oral Lesson: Mood of Verbs   |   | Author Purpose/Point of View                        | 9-10.RL.CS.6 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.6 (B)<br>9-10.RI.IKI.8 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.L.CSE.1 (B) |
| Declaring<br>Your Genius<br>(The<br>Odyssey)                         | 6-10 | The Odyssey<br>(Books) 2-4<br>epic poem by<br>Homer<br>translated by<br>Robert Fagles  |   | Verb Mood → → →  Textual Evidence                   | 9-10.RI.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.2 (B)  |

| 2nd 9<br>Weeks                               |       | Outliers: The<br>Story of<br>Success novel  | Summarizing Analyze How Events/                               | 9-10.RI.KID.3 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.5 (B)                      |
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| November-<br>December                        |       | excerpt by<br>Malcolm<br>Gladwell   |   |  |
|  |       | "The Origin of<br>Intelligence"<br>essay (no listed<br>author)                          | Key Ideas Impact Meaning Arguments/Claims                     |  |
|  |       | Daily Oral<br>Lesson: Active/<br>Passive Voice  |   | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)   |
| Declaring                                    |       | The Odyssey<br>(Books 5-9)  |   | 9-10.RL.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.3 (B)                      |
| Your Genius<br>(The<br>Odyssey)<br>2nd 9     | 10-11 | epic poem by<br>Homer<br>translated by<br>Robert Fagles                                 | Active/Passive Voice →  | 9-10.RL.IKI.9 (B)  |
| Weeks November- December                     |       | "The Most<br>Dangerous<br>Game" short<br>story by<br>Richard Connell                    | Story Structure  Character  Analyze Variety of Literary Texts |  |
|  | 12    | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>General<br>Academic<br>Vocabulary                              | <b>→</b>  | 9-10.L.VAU.6 (B)   |
|  |       | The Odyssey<br>(Books 10-13)<br>epic poem by<br>Homer<br>translated by<br>Robert Fagles | General Academic<br>Vocabulary                                | 9-10.RL.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RL.KID.3 (B)<br>9-10.L.VAU.4 (B) |
|  |       | Daily Oral<br>Lesson:<br>Capitalization   | Summarizing   | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)   |
|  |       | The Odyssey   | Character -   | 9-10.L.VAU.4 (B)   |
| Declaring<br>Your Genius<br>(The<br>Odyssey) | 13-15 | (Books 14-21) epic poem by Homer translated by Robert Fagles                            | Context Clues   | 9-10.RI.CS.6 (B)   |

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| 2nd 9<br>Weeks<br>November-                          |       | "Georgia<br>O'Keeffe" essay<br>by Joan Didion   | Capitalization   |  |
| December   | 16    | The Odyssey<br>(Books 22-24)<br>epic poem by<br>Homer<br>translated by<br>Robert Fagles | Context Clues  Author's Purpose/ Point of View   | 9-10.RL.KID.1 (B)  |
|  | 17-19 | Culminating<br>Writing Task   | → → →  | 9-10.W.TTP.1 (B)   |
|  | 20    | Unit Exam   |  | All the above standards will be assessed   |
|  |       |   | Textual Evidence   |  |
|  |       |   | Argumentative<br>Writing   |  |
|  |       |   | All the above skills will be assessed  |  |
| The Call To<br>Adventure<br>(A Walk In<br>the Woods) | 1-2   | A Walk in the<br>Woods<br>Introduction  | Collaborative<br>Conversations   | 9-10.SL.CC.1 (NT)  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 Weeks                              |       | Daily Oral<br>Lesson: Adverb<br>Clauses   | Adverb Clauses   |  |
| November-<br>December                                | 3-7   | A Walk In the Woods (Chapter 1-4) novel by Bill Bryson "Stopping By Woods On a Snowy    | Figurative Language  Determine Central Idea Analyze Author Ideas Context Clues Informative Writing | 9-10.RL.CS.4 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.2 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.3 (B)<br>9-10.L.VAU.4 (B)<br>9-10.W.TTP.2 (B)<br>9-10.L.VAU.6 (B) |

|                          |       | Evening" poem               | Vocabulary           |                   |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
|                          |       | by Robert Frost             | <b>→</b>             |                   |
|                          |       | "12 (from                   |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Gitanjali)"                 |                      |                   |
|                          |       | poem by                     |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Rabindranath                |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Tagore                      |                      |                   |
|                          |       | "The Journey"               |                      |                   |
|                          |       | poem by Mary                |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Oliver                      |                      |                   |
| The Call To              |       | Daily Oral                  |                      | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)  |
| Adventure                |       | Lesson:                     |                      | 3 2012100211 (3)  |
| (A Walk In               |       | Adjective                   |                      |                   |
| the Woods)               |       | Clauses                     |                      |                   |
|                          | 7-9   | A Walk in the               | Adjective Clauses    | 9-10.RI.KID.3(B)  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 Weeks  |       | Woods                       | →                    |                   |
|                          |       | (Chapters 5-8)              |                      |                   |
| November-<br>December    |       | novel by Bill<br>Bryson     |                      |                   |
| December                 |       |                             |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Daily Oral                  | Character→→→         | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)  |
|                          |       | Lesson: Noun                | <b>→</b>             |                   |
|                          |       | Clauses                     |                      |                   |
|                          |       | A Walk in the               |                      | 9-10.RI.CS.5 (B)  |
|                          |       | Woods                       |                      | 9-10.L.VAU.4 (B)  |
|                          | 9-11  | (Chapters 9-                |                      | 9-10.RI.CS.4 (B)  |
|                          |       | 12) novel by<br>Bill Bryson | Noun Clauses         |                   |
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|                          |       | The Art of                  |                      |                   |
| The Call To              |       | Choosing novel              |                      |                   |
| The Call To<br>Adventure |       | excerpt by<br>Sheena        | Text Structure → →   |                   |
| (A Walk In               |       | Lyengar                     | Word Meaning→→       |                   |
| the Woods)               |       |                             | <b>→</b>             |                   |
|                          | 12-13 | "Restless                   | Connotation/Denotati |                   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 Weeks  |       | Genes"<br>National          | on                   |                   |
|                          |       | Geographic                  |                      |                   |
| November-                |       | article by David            |                      |                   |
| December                 |       | Dobbs                       |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Daily Oral                  |                      | 9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)  |
|                          |       | Lesson:                     |                      |                   |
|                          | 14-15 | Essential                   |                      |                   |
|                          |       | Clauses                     |                      |                   |
|                          |       |                             |                      | 9-10.RI.KID.2 (B) |
|                          |       |                             |                      | 9-10.RI.KID.2 (B) |

| (Chapters 13- 17) novel by Bill Bryson  Wild: From Lost To Found On the Pacific Coast Trail novel excerpt by Cheryl Strayed  Daily Oral Lesson: Non- essential Clauses  The Call To Adventure (A Walk In the Woods)  15-20  A Walk In the Woods Chapters 18- 21) novel by Bill Bryson  Culminating  "El Condor Pasa" Wild movie video clips online  Central Idea/Theme Author Purpose/Point of View Text Structure  Text Structure  9- 4 Appalachian Impressions DVD  All Structure  Appalachian Impressions DVD | 9-10.RI.CS.6 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.L.CSE.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.KID.1 (B)<br>9-10.RI.CS.5 (B)<br>9-10.W.TTP.1 (B)<br>All the above<br>standards will be<br>essessed |
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# Part 4: Grading Policy Graded Course Assignments

## **Grading Scale (NEW FOR 2022-2023)**

90-100 = A; 80-89 = B; 70-79 = C; 60-69 = D; 0-59 = F

\*\*\*Disclaimer: Assignments may change at any time.

#### **Late Work Policy**

Assignments must be submitted by the given deadline or special permission must be requested from instructor *before the due date*. Extensions will not be given beyond the next assignment except under extreme circumstances.

Arrange to come promptly and take missed tests and quizzes. If you do not complete missed work, quizzes, or tests in 3 days, then that missed work will go down as a zero in the grade book.

NOTE: If you're not in school, it is <u>your</u> responsibility to acquire <u>your</u> makeup work.

## **Final Exam Policy**

Fall 2023

--As daily attendance at school is critical for academic success, Cosby High School has added an incentive to the academic program to reward individual daily attendance.

- All **non-EOC teachers** are required to administer a comprehensive final exam that assesses the mastery of standards taught throughout the semester.
- **EOC teachers** are required to administer a graded quiz or test during the final exam blocks on the dates listed above. EOC quick scores are used in the final exam column and weighted as the final exam. The graded quiz or test will be averaged with the 4th nine weeks grades.
- Exams are given on the last two days of both semesters. The grades on these exams will count 15% of the overall course average.

#### School Year 2023-2024 Final Exam Dates

Spring 2024

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| December 14 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> blocks | May 20 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> blocks |
| December 15 – 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> blocks | May $21 - 1^{st}$ and $3^{rd}$ blocks               |

(In the spring, exam dates for seniors are adjusted to allow time to average

grades for graduation.)

ALL students in grades 9-12 have an opportunity to earn exemption on the final exam in non-EOC courses and/or final quiz/test given in the EOC courses. Teachers will follow the following guidelines in determining student exam exemption:

- The student has missed no more than 3 days (excused or unexcused) in the semester prior to the first day of finals.
- Absences for a school related activity (field trip, CTE program, athletic competition, etc.) does not count as an absence.
- The student is passing the class prior to the exams.

The student who qualifies for exam exemption may opt to take the exam on a no harm basis. If the exam grade damages the class average, then the exam grade will not count.

Teachers will administer tests in all courses and for all students except for those students who qualify for and accept the exemption.

## **Part 5: Course Policies**

Students are expected to attend class on regular basis.

Be on time, on task, and prepared to learn every day.

3 tardies to class equals 1 day absent. This includes coming back from bathroom breaks, fire drills, and any other times out of class.

Don't be late or skip class because I will check to see where you were.

If you're not in school, it is your responsibility to acquire and makeup work within three days of returning to class. You may check Google Classroom for assignments and email me for work while absent.

# **Academic Dishonesty Policy**

Academic dishonesty includes such things as cheating, inventing false information or citations, plagiarism and helping someone else commit an act of academic dishonesty, for example, the copying of homework/classwork when instructed to complete the work on the student's own. It usually involves an attempt by a student to show possession of a level of knowledge or skill that he/she does not possess.