

# High School Syllabus

**Department:** English

**Course #:** 10160A

**Course Title:** College Prep English 9

**DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:** Students will focus on reading, writing, speaking, and listening and will participate in close reading opportunities that support text analysis. This course will include higher-order text-dependent questions to promote deeper thinking about texts. Students will read, critically interpret, and respond in writing to themes such as, but not limited to freedom, common ground, and heroes and quests presented in selections. Students will read, understand, and respond to informational text as well as literary fiction – with an emphasis on comprehension, connections among ideas and between texts, and textual evidence. An emphasis on the writing process, specifically writing with a “defined” perspective, purpose, and to a particular audience, will help students complete writing prompts and a research paper using MLA format. An in-depth study of grammar (especially parts of speech, sentence parts, punctuation, and capitalization) will be combined with an intense study of vocabulary to help students excel on standardized tests and be college and career ready. This course will challenge students to think more critically and more independently.

REQUIRED TOPICS OF STUDY	SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME	STANDARDS/ ELIGIBLE CONTENT
Collection #1: Finding Common Ground	4 weeks	CC.1.2.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, H, I, J, K, L CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, H, I, J, K
Collection #2: The Struggle for Freedom	3 weeks	CC.1.2.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K
Collection #3: The Bonds between Us	3 weeks	CC.1.2.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L CC.1.3. 9-10. A, B, D, E, F, I, J, K
Collection #4: Sweet Sorrow	8 weeks	CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K
Collection #5: A Matter of Life and Death	4 weeks	CC.1.2.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L

		CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K
The Works of Edgar Allan Poe	3 weeks	CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K
<i>Flowers for Algernon</i>	3 weeks	CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K
<i>Call of the Wild</i>	3 weeks	CC.1.3.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K
Sadlier-Oxford Level D Vocabulary Units 1-15	ongoing	CC.1.2.9-10. J, K; CC.1.3.9-10.K; L.N.1.2.1-4,6
Grammar Study: Parts of Speech	9 weeks	CC.1.4.9-10.F, L, R; CC.1.5.9-10.G
Grammar Study: Parts of a Sentence	9 weeks	CC.1.4.9-10.F, L, R; CC.1.5.9-10.G
Grammar Study: Punctuation	9 weeks	CC.1.4.9-10.F, L, R; CC.1.5.9-10.G
Grammar Study: Capitalization	9 weeks	CC.1.4.9-10.F, L, R; CC.1.5.9-10.G
MLA/Research Unit: Author Project	3 weeks	CC.1.4.9-10. A, B, C, D, E, F, V, W

## RESOURCES:

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Collections  
Sadlier-Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level D

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