ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 7

ELA7 will focus entirely on reading and writing poetry for quarter 4. Students will delve into poetry comprehension by following a reading pattern that builds understanding. Studying the use of figurative language in poetry, especially symbolism, will be highlighted in the unit. We will discuss how noticing small details helps to develop an overall understanding of the genre and of specific poems. Students will also spend a large chunk of the unit writing different types of poetry. We will also study poetic structures and elements. We will conclude the unit with a poetry writing project that showcases the artistic work of students from the quarter.

SPED UPDATES...
If your student is receiving SPED support, feel free to contact the SPED teacher listed above with any questions or concerns.

ELL UPDATES...
If your student is receiving ELL support, feel free to contact the ELL teacher listed above with any questions or concerns.
ENSURE YOUR CHILD GETS A GOOD AMOUNT OF SLEEP DURING THE TESTING WEEK
SUPPORT YOUR CHILD BY PROVIDING HEALTHY AND SUSTAINING MEALS
PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A PEACEFUL SCHEDULE AT HOME AND MAKE SURE THEY GET TO SCHOOL ON TIME
SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS ON HOW THEY TAKE THE TEST. ENCOURAGE THEM TO DO THEIR BEST!

WEEKLY READING LOG SAMPLE

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READING AT HOME

Reading at home for **30 minutes each day** is a continued expectation for 7th grade students. There is no shortage of reading material available to students. In addition to physical books, students have access to multiple apps on their iPads with digital books. All reading logs and login information are linked in ELA7 classes in Schoology for students. Please be encouraging students to work toward this 30 minute reading goal each day as it will help to improve comprehension skills and boost testing scores.

GRADING & HOMEWORK

All classwork, practice, and assessments (projects, tests, quizzes, performances) will be graded according to proficiency on the Common Core Standards. Students will receive a score of 0 – 4.

0 - incomplete
1 - beginning
2 - developing
3 - proficient
4 - exceeds

**A score of 0 – 2 can be redone until the student reaches a score of at least 3 (within the designated quarter).**

Grades are weighted:
20% - classwork
80% - assessments

During Quarter 4, the grading period extends from **April 10, 2023 to June 14, 2023**.

APPS & WEBSITES FOR READING ONLINE:

- Epic
- MackinVia
- LibraryGo
- eBooks MN
- TeenBookCloud
- TumbleBooks Library
- Audiobooks & Podcasts
- St. Paul Public Library Overdrive

For more resources, visit: https://libguides.spps.org/mssterm

TIME FOR SUMMER READING!

WHAT WILL YOU BE READING THIS SUMMER?