

# **NEWCOMER ENGLISH SYLLABUS**

Ms. Nelson



# NEWCOMER ENGLISH

Course Name: Newcomer English

Class Period: Period 4A

Teacher: Ms. Nelson

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# GRADING SCALE

**A - 90-100%**

**B - 80-89%**

**C - 70-79%**

**D - 60-69%**

**F - 59% AND LOWER**



# GRADING POINTS

Daily Work Points: 100 total per quarter

- Students will earn 5 daily points for following along with all class activities.

IXLs: 100-150 points per quarter

- Each IXL assigned will be worth 10 points.
- Students will complete approximately 10-15 IXLs a quarter.

Get Ready! Quizzes/Tests: 200 points per quarter

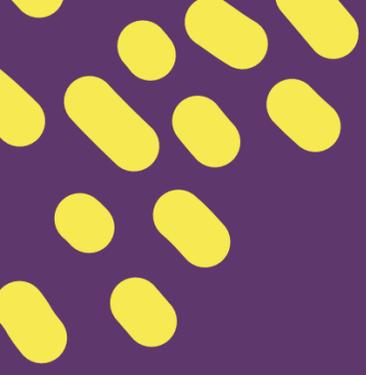
- Get Ready! Unit Tests are worth 50 points. There will be two unit tests each quarter.
- Get Ready! Unit Quizzes are worth 25 points. Students will take a Vocabulary and Grammar quiz for each unit.

ELA Skills Tests/Projects: 50 points per quarter.

- Students will take an ELA Skills test or complete and ELA Skills project each quarter.

# MS. NELSON'S SCHEDULE

Class Periods	A Days	B Days
Period 1	EL Building Level Representative Prep - 101 G-A	Newcomer Business
Advisory WIN	Advisory - 119E WIN - 101 G-A	
Period 2	Prep - 101 G-A	EL ELA IV - 101 G-A
Period 3	EL ELA IV - 101 G-A	Closed SH - 103M
Period 4	Newcomer English - 101 G-A	Prep - 101 G-A

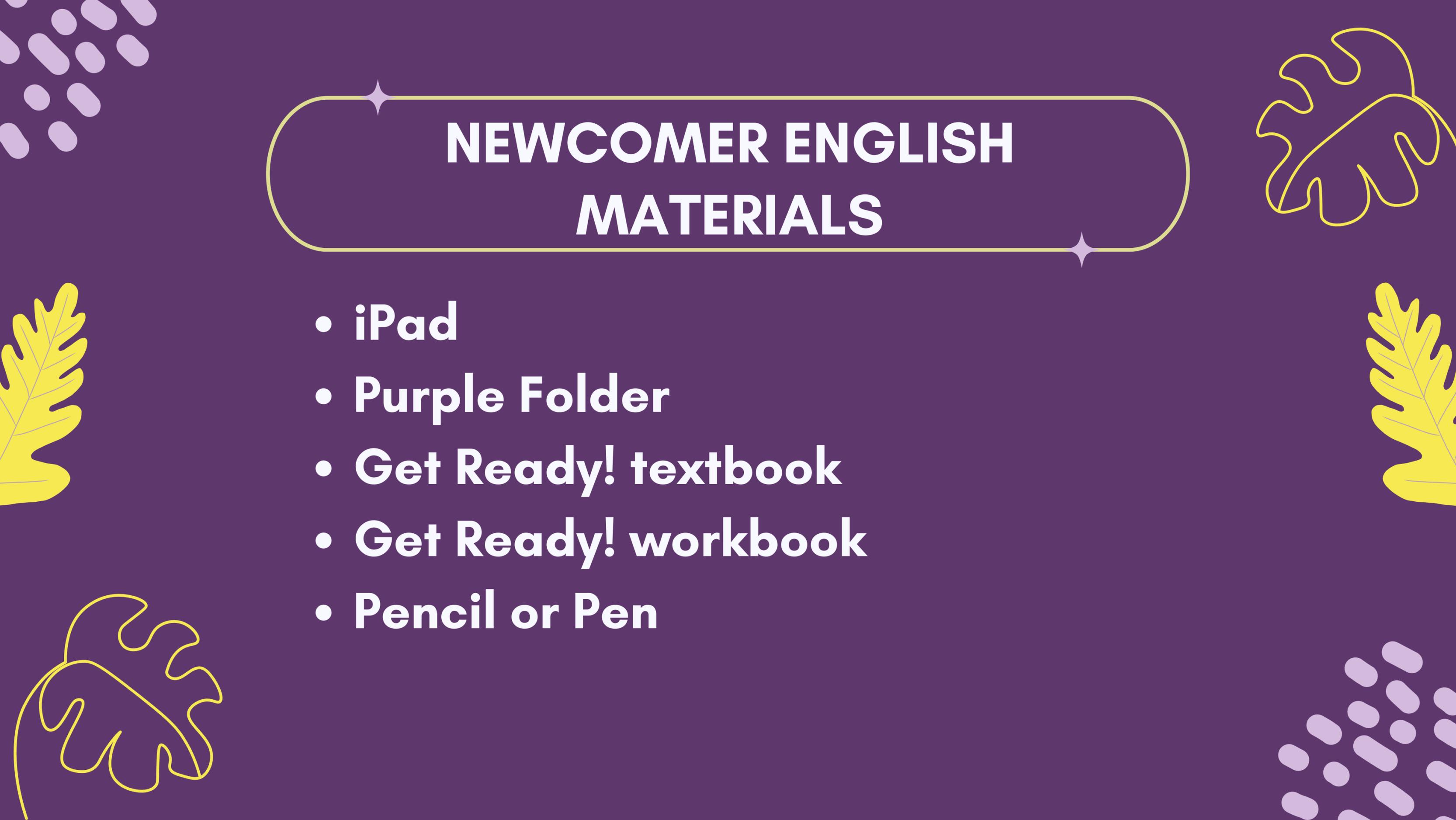


# NEWCOMER ENGLISH COURSE DESCRIPTION



Newcomer English is designed to build students' speaking, listening, writing, and reading skills in English as well as the content of Language Arts. All coursework is designed to meet North Dakota English Language Arts 9-12 Standards and WIDA standards.





# NEWCOMER ENGLISH MATERIALS

- **iPad**
- **Purple Folder**
- **Get Ready! textbook**
- **Get Ready! workbook**
- **Pencil or Pen**



# NEWCOMER ENGLISH UNITS OVERVIEW

## Quarter 1:

- Get Ready: Unit 1 and Unit 2
- ELA Skill: Story Elements, Narrative Writing

## Quarter 2 Units:

- Get Ready! Unit 3 and Unit 4
- ELA Skills: Main Idea and Key Details, Nonfiction Elements

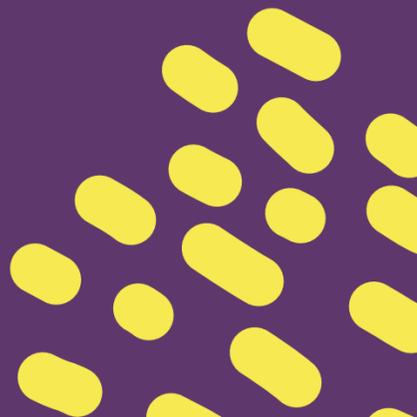
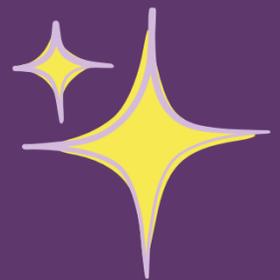
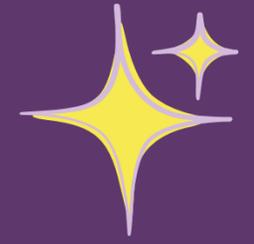
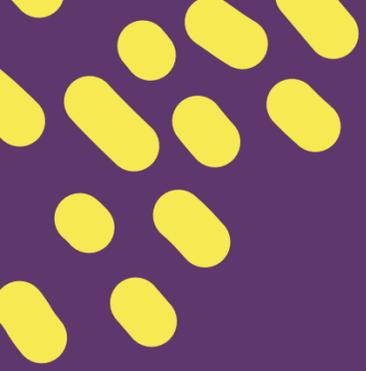
## Quarter 3 Units:

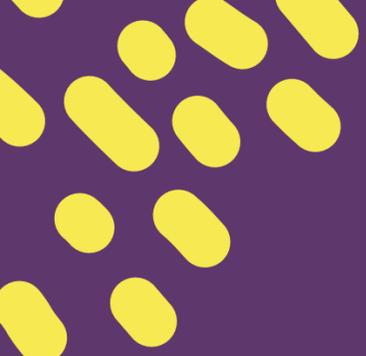
- Get Ready! Units 5 and 6
- ELA Skill: Text Structures, Informative Writing

## Quarter 4 Units:

- Get Ready! Unit 7 and 8
- ELA Skill: Characterization and Theme in Fiction

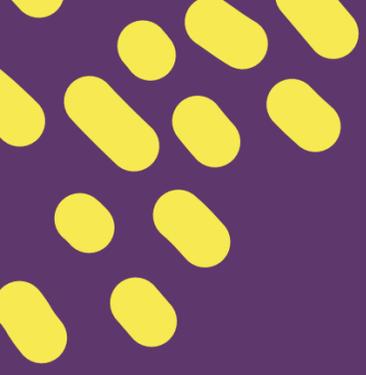
# MS. NELSON'S POLICIES





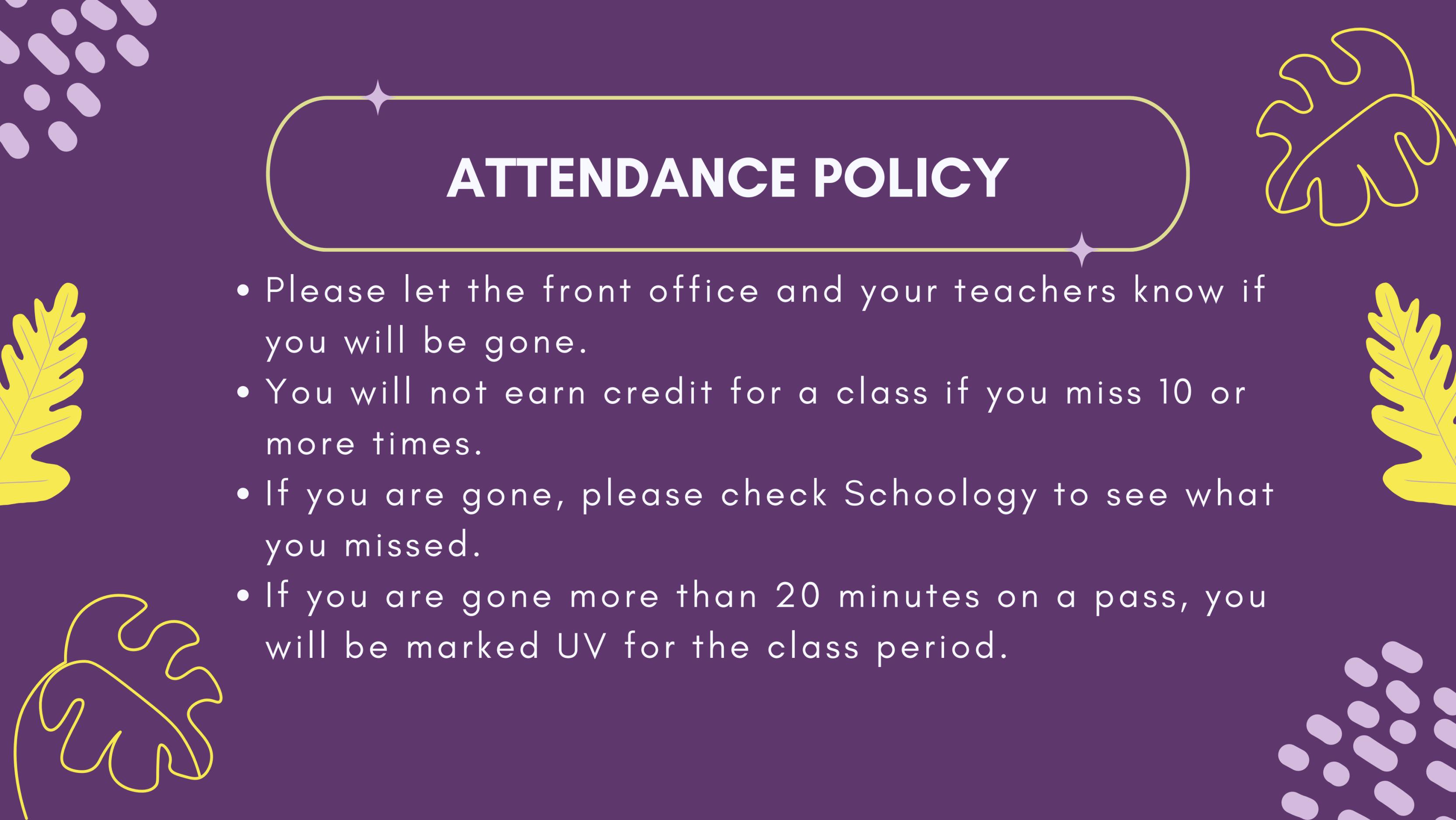
# LATE WORK POLICY

- All late work must be submitted by end of unit assessment.
  - If you are unverified, you will receive a zero on assignments for that class period.
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# REDO POLICY

- I will consider redos/corrections on a case-by-case basis.
  - If you are interested in redoing an assignment or test, please email me.
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# ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Please let the front office and your teachers know if you will be gone.
- You will not earn credit for a class if you miss 10 or more times.
- If you are gone, please check Schoology to see what you missed.
- If you are gone more than 20 minutes on a pass, you will be marked UV for the class period.



# CELLPHONE POLICY

- Cellphones must be out-of-sight and out-of-use during school hours.
  - You may NOT use your phone between classes and at lunch.
  - You must go to the office and use their phone to call home. You may not take calls during class.
  - If I see your phone, I will take it and bring it to the office.
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## HEADPHONE/AIRPOD POLICY

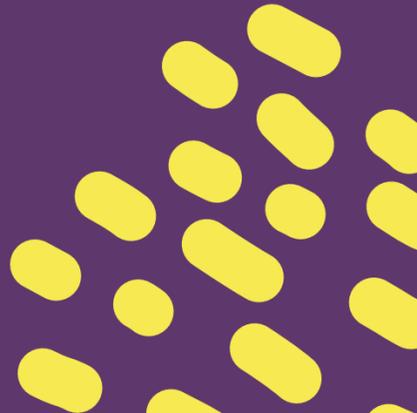
- Headphones/AirPods use is not allowed during Get Ready! or ELA Skill time.
- Headphones/AirPods may be used during IXL or Summit K12 time.
- Headphones/AirPods must be connected to your iPad and not your phone.

# FOOD/DRINK POLICY

- All drinks must have a non-spillable lid.
- If you bring a drink without a lid, I will take the drink and set it on my desk until the end of class.
- You can have food if it does not make a mess.
- If you leave crumbs or wrappers on our classroom floor, you will lose your privileges permanently. No warnings will be given. If you leave a mess **even one time**, your in-class food privileges are gone for the rest of the year. PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF!

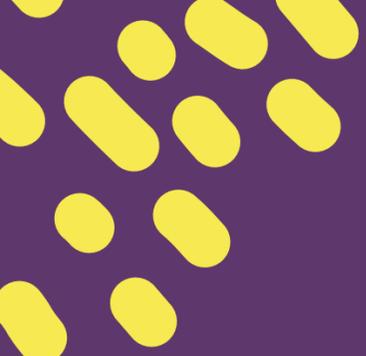


# HALLPASS POLICY

- You must use SecurlyPass to leave the room.
  - Limit of 2 students out at a time.
  - Hallpass privileges may be restricted if you do not use your passes appropriately.
  - Store passes are not allowed and your pass must be for the location you set it as.
  - Hallpasses will not be accepted in the first 15 or last 15 minutes of class.
  - Bathroom passes should be about 5 minutes long. If your pass is over 10 minutes, you will lose hallpass privileges for 2 weeks.
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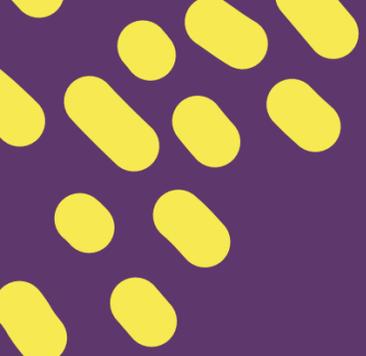
# PLAGIARISM/AI POLICY

- Plagiarism is not allowed.
- **AI use is plagiarism.**
- Plagiarized work and AI-generated work will receive 0s.
- Allowing other students to copy your assignments is not HELPING them; it's plagiarism!



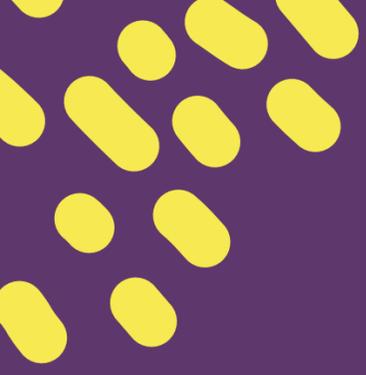
## **BORROWING HEADPHONES, IPAD PENS, CHARGERS POLICY**

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- To use classroom headphones or iPad pens outside of our classroom, you must trade me your phone.
  - Ms. Nelson's chargers must remain in the classroom at all times.
  - Before class ends, all chargers must be returned to the correct locations before you can leave.
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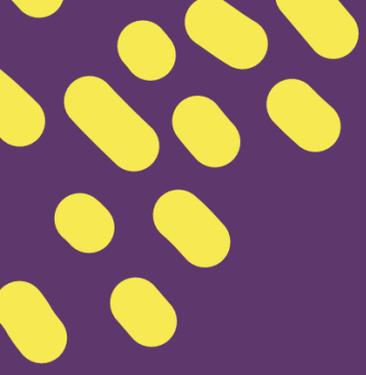
**CLASSROOM  
PROCEDURES -  
NEWCOMER  
ENGLISH**





## 1ST ACTIVITY: IXL

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- Before class starts, get your purple folder, big book, and little book.
  - Begin working on IXL immediately.
  - Headphones/AirPods are allowed during this time.
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## 2ND ACTIVITY: GET READY!

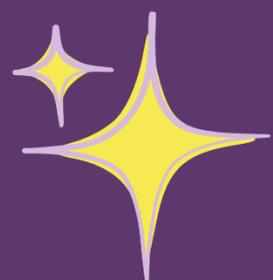
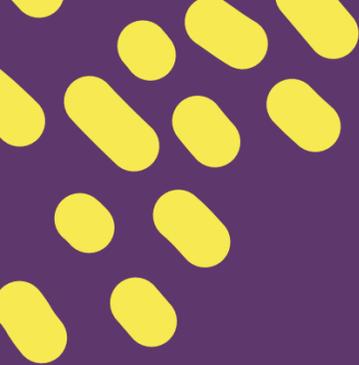
- Complete all assigned activities in your big book and little book. You will lose daily points if you do not complete all activities.
  - Headphones/AirPods are NOT allowed during this time.
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## 3RD ACTIVITY: ELA SKILL

- Complete all ELA Skill assignments with the class. You will lose daily points if you do not complete all activities.
- Store all ELA Skill materials in your purple folder.
- Headphones/AirPods use is NOT allowed during this time.

# PACKER PROCESS



# MS. NELSON'S PACKER PROCESS



## COMPASSION IN THIS CLASSROOM:

- Show compassion for your classmates, your teacher, and yourself.
- Use kind, school-appropriate language in the classroom.
- Always remember: It's okay to be mad but NEVER okay to be mean.
- Be respectful and considerate to all classroom members in your speech and actions.

## COLLABORATION IN THIS CLASSROOM:

- Do your fair share in group projects.
- Participation is required. You must participate in all classroom activities.
- Follow Ms. Nelson's posted classroom procedures for beginning of class/end of class, instruction, individual work, group work, quizzes/tests, and presentations.

## RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS CLASSROOM:

- Come to class on time with all required materials.
- Turn in your assignments in a timely manner.
- Fill out the late work form if you are turning in an assignment late.
- Regularly check your school email and our Schoology class page.
- Keep your work area neat and tidy. If you make a mess, pick up after yourself.
- Follow all school-wide and classroom policies outlined in the course syllabus.

## RESILIENCE IN THIS CLASSROOM:

- Be patient with yourself and others.
- Mistakes are a normal part of the learning process. Do not make fun of others for making mistakes.
- Sign up for a WIN session if you need extra help with the class.
- Keep a positive mindset about your learning journey.