

ENGLISH & WORLD HISTORY

7th Grade Edition, 2026-2027

Welcome to 7th Grade!

You are embarking on a brand new adventure. In a world where you will now have multiple teachers and classrooms throughout the day, it is imperative that you stay organized. Though change can be a scary, it can also open up a world of possibilities. Know that I am here to help and support you on this journey.

-Mr. M

ENGLISH 7 CP

In this course we will focus on the 7th grade Common Core standards in Reading, Writing, Listening, and Speaking.

We will:

- Explore and analyze texts using Close Reading strategies
- Write narrative, argumentative, and informational essays
- Write research papers

Textbook: myPerspectives Grade 7

Class Supplies

In order to be prepared to work in class, the following supplies are HIGHLY encouraged:

- A dedicated notebook for EACH subject (2 total) OR a binder with dividers for EACH subject (Eng. and WH)
- Writing Utensils (pens and/or pencils)
- Highlighters

SOCIAL STUDIES 7

In this course we will cover a wide span of time and places.

We will learn about:

- World-wide History from the collapse of the Roman Empire through the Great Revolutions.
- The History of Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism
- Many geographic regions of the world from Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Europe, and the Americas

Textbook: myWorld Interactive Medieval and Early Modern Times

TARDY POLICY

It is imperative that students get to class on time. Please see below:

- Attendance is taken 5 minutes after the period begins. If a student arrives after this time, they will be marked tardy
- I will contact parents after a student's 5th tardy
- Students will be referred to counseling after their 6th tardy
- Any further tardies will be referred to administration

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are expected to be in class every day.

If you arrive to class more than 20 minutes late (without a pass from the office) you will be marked as a "cut" for the period.

Assignments

We will be utilizing a variety of different assignments to reach our learning goals.

Assignments will always be due by the Friday of the week they were assigned in order to earn full credit.

LATE WORK POLICY

It is important that students turn in their assignments on time. We will use organizational strategies to make this easier, but it is your responsibility to monitor your own progress.

If a student is missing 2 or more assignments (without notifying me) I will reach out to parents/guardians to ensure we are all on the same page.

All assignments will be posted in our Google Classroom

If circumstances arise and you are falling behind, NOTIFY ME

Late assignments will always be accepted, however, 5 points will be deducted (from the total points available) for each week that an assignment is late (up to 50%).

RESTROOM POLICY

Students may NOT leave during the first 10 minutes or the last 10 minutes of class (per our school policy).

Students will receive 2 bathroom passes per quarter

Students should use the restroom before or after class

CONTACTING MR. M

Email is the best way to reach me: mmalady@vvhhsd.org
(760) 955-3400 Ext. 46405
You can also contact me through our Google Classroom

ELECTRONICS POLICY

All outside electronics should be on SILENT and PUT AWAY AT ALL TIMES

If you are using technology that you should not be using in class:

- You are violating Ed. Code Laws
- You will be written up and referred to the office (for multiple offenses)

We will be utilizing district provided Chromebooks in class. These are property of Victor Valley Union High School District and should be treated with care.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

Students should act in an appropriate manner when on school grounds. This includes:

- Being Respectful
- Being Responsible
- Being Safe

Students are expected to:

- Respect any and all school property
- Treat everyone with respect and kindness
- Follow the "Classroom Agreements" at all times

We will go into further detail of the "Classroom Agreements" together via a separate document. This will be signed by both students and their parents to ensure that we are all on the same page regarding classroom behavior and policies.

GRADING

The grading breakdown for both classes will be as follows:

- 10% Participation
- 40% Classwork
- 50% Assessments

GRADING SCALE

The grading scale for both classes will be as follows:

- A- 90% - 100%
- B- 80% - 89%
- C- 70% - 79%
- D- 50% - 69%
- F- 0% - 49%

ACCOMMODATIONS

I will meet the needs of any and all students with IEP's, 504's or any other extraneous circumstances.

If you need something, please say something

DOCUMENT FORMATTING

Anytime you are submitting a typed document, make sure it includes the following MLA formatting guidelines:

- Running header, upper right corner, with last name and page number
- Heading on first page (left), containing your name, class/period, teacher and due date
- Centered title
- 1" margins
- Double spacing
- Times New Roman 12, Calibri 11, or Arial 11
- No extra spaces between paragraphs (or headings and titles)
- No excessive spacing, bolding, italics, or photos

RESUBMISSION POLICY

Sometimes, due to unforeseen circumstances, we are unable to put forth our best effort. Even professional writers usually don't do well on the first draft. As we will be doing quite a bit of writing, in both classes, we will have a standard revision policy.

If you wish to raise a grade on a piece of writing (including essays, narratives, and extended writing projects), you will get ONE chance to do so.

You will have 5 days to re-submit your work. It would be advised that you consult me BEFOREHAND so I can help you.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Academic dishonesty (cheating or plagiarizing) will NOT be tolerated

This includes:

- Copying or using a "cheat sheet" on any quizzes or assessments
- Plagiarizing or claiming someone else's work as your own original work

Any students caught violating this policy will be required to redo assignments or receive a failing grade on assignments.

Repeated offenses will result in referral to the administration

MR. M'S SUGGESTION

Save all of your work until grades are in! I am human and, like all humans, can make mistakes. If you are missing a grade for an assignment that you know you turned in, the best thing to do is show it to me. You can't do that if you've tossed it in the trash!