

Tokyo International Progressive School
Grade 10, English Course Outline
2022-2023
Mr. Jessen-Petersen, Room 24



“You think your pain and your heartbreak are unprecedented in the history of the world, but then you read”
— James Baldwin

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

The course textbook is Prentice Hall’s “Prentice Hall Literature: Language and Literacy Grade Ten”. The novels that will be read are George Orwell’s “1984” and J.D. Salinger’s “Catcher in the Rye”

Along with the novels, students will identify, discover, and take apart short stories, informational texts, autobiographies, feature articles, newsletters, biographies, short stories, essays, speeches, poems, memoirs, sources, plays, myths, epics, and legends.

There will be two tests and two writing workshops (projects) per quarter. The writing workshops (projects) will include an autobiographical narrative, problem-and-solution essay, persuasive essay, descriptive essay, analytic response to literature, reflective essay, research report, and a comparison and contrast essay.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

- Students are expected to bring the following materials to class each day:
 - Accordion binder with agenda inside
 - Pencil Case (w/ pencil, pen, eraser)
 - Any related handouts from teacher
 - Water bottle
 - Charged laptop or tablet
 - Headphones
 - Any materials for accommodations (e.g. noise-canceling earbuds)
 - Work due
 - Textbook if brought home (Textbooks will remain in class unless student requests to bring it home) (Materials will always be posted online, including pictures of text from the textbook, so students will typically not need to bring the textbooks home)
 - Book being currently read

*A numbered copy of a textbook and book will be lent to you. Write your name in it. When you return it, if it is not in usable condition or missing its cover, your family will be asked to replace the book.

- Students are allowed to drink closed drink bottles in the classroom. Water and sports drinks are preferred. Cans are not allowed in the classroom. Food is also not allowed in the classroom.
- Students will be allowed to listen to music in class for certain activities with the teacher's permission. Music must be played from a playlist, and the songs must be free of lyrics (no lyrics music)
- If a student is unable to complete work by the expected due date, the grade will remain a 0 on Quickschools until the work is completed. The student will have the entire Quarter to finish the work if still unfinished. At the end of the Quarter, the grade will remain and be registered as a 0.
- If a student will require a re-do on their test, please talk with the teacher.
- When in use, laptops will remain on the desk

EARNING YOUR GRADE

Your grade will be determined by your work in these categories:

Grade Category	Percentage of your grade
Quiz	20%
Daily Work	30%
Project	30%
Test	20%

The grading scale for this course will be:

Letter grade	Mark range
A+	97-100
A	92-96
B+	88-91
B	83-87
C+	79-82
C	74-78
D+	70-73
D	65-69
F	64 or below

IMPORTANT DATES

* Schedule is subject to change

Assessment	Date
U1 Test	Friday, Thursday, September 15th

U2 Test	Thursday, October 6th
U3 Test	Thursday, November 17th
1984 Test	Thursday, December 15th
U4 Test	Thursday, February 23rd
U5 Test	Thursday, March 16th
U6 Test	Thursday, May 11th
“Catcher in the Rye” Test	Thursday, June 1st

There will be a two main writing projects per quarter

Plagiarism Policy

Students who hand in school work that is not their own are guilty of *plagiarism*. Students who plagiarize will be dealt these consequences:

First offence:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and the grade reported
- explain to parents consequence for second offence

Second offence:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, with the grade of “0” recorded
- explain to parents consequence for third offence

Third offence

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of “0” recorded
- Saturday School assigned by school administration
- explain to parents the consequence for fourth offence

Fourth offence

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of "0" recorded

- 2 day Out of School Suspension by school administration

- preamble with parents expulsion on fifth offence

Fifth offence

- expulsion