

Accelerated Sophomore English I

Fall
Mrs. Bartoli



Answering the all important, “What are we going to do Mrs. Bartoli?”

- A. Poetry: including writing your own
- B. Shakespeare: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
- C. Sentence Patterns 14-17
- D. Independent Book Report/Project
- E. Background Readings
- F. Essay Writing
 - 1. Character Sketch
 - 2. Comparison/Contrast
 - 3. Literary Analysis
 - 4. Style Analysis
- G. Vocabulary Study: *Word Power* Chapters 10-12

For this class you will need the usual supplies of paper, writing utensils and a brain. In addition you will need a three ring binder for this class. It does not have to be large. In fact a 1” *should* do it. I will give you many handouts at the beginning of the semester that will be needed throughout or not until the end. I will also be giving you materials that will be needed throughout the year and some you may wish to keep forever. Since I am a major tree hugger, I only make the enough copies for each of you to receive one. To ensure they are not lost, all of these will be stored in your binder. Dividers will also come in handy to organize the material: Poetry, Shakespeare, Sentence Patterns, Book Reports, Style Analysis, Vocabulary.

Unless otherwise discussed your writing assignments are to be entirely original to you (as in not researched). The idea being, I want you to think and share your ideas, not those you found on the internet. At any time information is used from an outside source, citations are required. Failure to cite sources is plagiarism. Need I say more?

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Helpful internet sites for **MLA** guidance

- The Owl at Purdue <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/557/01/>
- Example pages <http://homeworktips.about.com/od/mlastyle/ig/Sample-MLA-Pages/>
- Outlining (important next semester) <http://webster.commnet.edu/mla/outlines.shtml>
- Take this for what it's worth <http://citationmachine.net/index.php>
- And of course, MLA for FAQs <http://www.mla.org/sitemap>

Grades

Grading Scale: 100-90% A, 89-80% B, 79-70% C, 69-60% D

Category Weights: 20% Daily Work, 20% Tests/Quizzes, 40% Writing, 20% Individualized Projects

Late Work

All major dates will be posted well in advance. Put them in your calendars and work to meet them. Failure to meet these due dates will result in a 20% deduction of your grade for that assignment. Excused absences will follow school policy regarding extended time.

Although not a perfect solution for everyone you may find there are times you wish/need to send me assignments as an e-mail attachment. That is acceptable; however if your e-mail allows I suggest you cc yourself to test whether or not the e-mail sent and the attachment was attached.

Keep in mind which version of Word the school and I have. No computer in the building opens Works files and only a few in the library run Open Office.

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No flash drive? Bad memory?

Set up a free account with filesanywhere.com or Dropbox (dropbox.com) and access your paper via the Internet. Or use Google Apps.