

# English 11

Mrs. Mitchell & Mrs. Bird

The ability to communicate in many ways is a critical life skill, regardless of your profession after high school. Our focus in this class is to improve your ability to process and convey information within a variety of literary and writing genres. If you work hard and behave responsibly, this will be a very rewarding class!

**Required supplies:** Bring these to class each day unless told otherwise.

- 1) Textbook or assigned novel
- 2) Agenda book
- 3) 1.5 inch binder with four dividers
- 4) Lined, looseleaf 8.5 x 11" paper (replenish as necessary)
- 5) Blue or black pen & pencil
- 6) Red pen
- 7) 20 heavyweight document protectors
- 8) Blue or green **Expo wet erase** marker
- 9) Highlighter
- 10) 1 pkg 3x5" lined notecards, white only
- 11) Novel of choice
- 12) USB Flash drive (I will give advanced notice for this)

## **Work Guidelines:**

1) Assignments completed on looseleaf paper must include the following in the upper **right-hand** corner:

- a. Your first and last name
- b. Date
- c. Class period
- d. Assignment title

2) Our late policy is very simple; for every day that an assignment is late, ten percent will be subtracted from the total, not to exceed a loss of 40%.

Assignments that are not turned in before the end of the assigned grading period will result in a zero.

3) If you are absent, it is your responsibility to make up assignments, quizzes, and tests that you have missed. Any assignments due on the date of your absence will be due the day you return. Check the whiteboard calendar for assignments and the absence bin for handouts and worksheets. You may also email Mrs. Mitchell the day of your absence and I may be able to provide your assignments before you return to school. If you miss a test or quiz, you will be expected to take it in the designated testing room during your lunch period on the day you return.

## Grading Scale:

100 – 95	<b>A</b>	85 – 83	<b>B-</b>	73 – 71	<b>D+</b>
94 – 92	<b>A-</b>	82 – 80	<b>C+</b>	70 – 68	<b>D</b>
91 – 89	<b>B+</b>	79 – 77	<b>C</b>	67 – 65	<b>D-</b>
88 – 86	<b>B</b>	76 – 74	<b>C-</b>	64 – 60	<b>F</b>

**Rounding:** We will only round your quarter or semester(report card) grade if you meet both of the following criteria:

- 1) You are within .5% of the next higher "grade" (including + or -)
- 2) You have submitted all assignments for that grading period on time

**Cheating / Plagiarism:** Our definitions of cheating and plagiarism were discussed within the first two days of school; both are the academic equivalent of stealing, and neither will be tolerated. If you cheat or plagiarize, you will receive a zero for the assignment or test and we will call home.

## Classroom Expectations:

Classroom expectations were explained on the first day of school. At all times, we expect you to behave respectfully and responsibly. All school rules apply in this class, and there will be no warnings issued. *Please keep your cell phones put away.*

## Miscellaneous:

- 1) Ask questions when you don't understand, or schedule time to see us before school, after school, or during our super study time.
- 2) We will write library passes only when you have assignments for us that require research or the use of a computer.
- 3) Mrs. Mitchell's website is [mrsmitchellchs.weebly.com](http://mrsmitchellchs.weebly.com) and my email address is [mmitchell@warrick.k12.in.us](mailto:mmitchell@warrick.k12.in.us). My policies are posted on the website, as is an overview of the week's learning objectives. You may email me with questions about assignments as long as you understand I may not respond immediately.