# Don Lugo High School English 9/ Read 180 2023-2024

Course: English 09 / Read 180

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**Room**: 36

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Welcome to English 9 and Read 180!

Students who successfully complete this class will receive credit for English 9.

### **Course Description:**

This class will be using the Read 180 reading program. Read 180 is an exciting multimedia reading program which uses video, music, and interesting readings to help students improve their reading, verbal, and written communication skills. In class, students will be using the Read 180 computer program, independently reading books of their choice, and working out of a Read 180 workbook, called a Real Book. Students will rotate among these three activities in class every day. In addition, we will be reading several novels in class and writing frequently.

#### **Class Goals**: My primary goals for this class are:

- To improve the reading and writing skills of all students.
- To expand each students' vocabulary.
- To expose students to a variety of readings.
- To teach students to think and read critically.

**Reading Requirement:** Depending on the reading level, students are required to independently read and then pass quizzes based on their reading. Students may complete this reading in class or at home. Students may select the books they read for this requirement and WILL have time in class to read daily. Students will also complete reading logs, vocabulary, and summaries for the books they choose to read.

### **Class Expectations and Rules:**

- 1. Be on time and ready to learn.
- 2. Be respectful of yourself, your school, and everyone around you.
- 3. Students will put their phones in their backpacks during class. If a student is found using their phone they will get a warning. The second time the teacher will take the phone until the end of the period. The third time they can pick up their phone after school. After that the phone will go to the office for parent pick up.

**Homework**: Homework will not be assigned. Students are encouraged to work on the Read180 app and do independent reading and take quizzes from home on the student App. Students who would like extra help on homework assignments may come in before school starts in room 34.

**Attendance**: It is extremely important that students are in class every day. If a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to get any work they missed while they were absent. This can be done before or after school.

Late Work: Late work MAY be accepted if a student has shown significant effort and concern about their grade. Late work will only be given HALF credit, which will significantly lower a student's grade. It is important that students turn in work on time and keep up with the work in the class.

**Grading**: Although the two class periods are taught as a block, students will be earning two separate grades. One grade will be given for Read 180 and one grade will be for English.

Grades will be determined by the following categories:

## **English 1 (Core English Class)**

- Class work (Read 180 rBooks, essays, and assignments)
- Independent Reading:
- Tests and Quizzes:

The grading policy will be as follows:

- A= 100% 90%
- B= 89% 80%
- C= 79% 70%
- D= 69% 60%
- F= 59% and below

**Parent Contact**: Please feel free to contact me at any time during the school year to discuss your child's progress or any questions you may have. My email address is at the top of this letter.

Please sign and return:  I have read and understand the expectations of this course. I understand that I can contact at any time if I have any questions about the syllabus or the course.	
Parent/Guardian Name	Parent/Guardian Signature