

## SYLLABUS PAP English 1A – 4<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks – Spring 2008

### Contact Information

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**Tutorials:** Fridays at 7:15 a.m. and A Lunch

### Format Requirements on ALL work submitted for a grade

- Use **ONLY dark blue or black ink** on all work; typed work is preferable if possible; pencils are used only for exams requiring a scantron.
- **LATE WORK:** An assignment may be accepted one day late at the discretion of the instructor, but the work will receive only one-half the grade it would have earned if turned in on time.
- Write **ONLY on the front of the page – ONLY on every other line of the paper**. If work is typed, it should be formatted as follows: 12-point Times font, 1” margins, double space.
- **Plagiarism or cheating** in any capacity earns all offenders an automatic zero – no exceptions.

### STUDENT Responsibilities

- ✓ **Come to class prepared;** bring books, paper, pens/pencils; be **READY TO WORK** when you enter the classroom.
- ✓ **Inquire and make up any work missed, including journal entries;** assignments due the day of an absence (as outlined on the syllabus) are due the day you return to school; unscheduled class work during an absence must be made up within three days of your return; make up work is not accepted for unexcused absences.
- ✓ **Keep up with syllabi, handouts, study guides, and materials** distributed in class.
- ✓ **PROOFREAD: Check grammar, syntax, punctuation, and spelling** on all work submitted for a grade.
- ✓ **Talking or wandering eyes during quizzes/tests/exams** result in an automatic zero for the offender(s).
- ✓ **Oral presentations:** Go to the front of the room, speak clearly and distinctly, be prepared, and present your material in a professional manner. All members will be respectful and attentive; inappropriate behavior will result in a lower grade for the offender(s).
- ✓ **FORMAT for all work submitted:** Full name, date, and class period must be written legibly in the UPPER RIGHT corner of the paper; penmanship must be LEGIBLE; spiral notebook paper is unacceptable

### Classroom Policies

- ◆ **ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD, DRINKS, OR GUM** is allowed inside the classroom.
- ◆ Disruption of class or disrespectful behavior is not tolerated.

### Daily Procedures

- **JOURNAL entry:** Silent sustained writing is observed during the first 5-7 minutes of class; you will write a well-constructed paragraph about the journal prompt on the board; all entries will be submitted at the end of the six weeks for a major grade, so be thoughtful and reflective about your journal responses. This assignment is consistent all year.
- **Daily assignments:** When reading and/or written work is assigned, BE PREPARED to discuss the assignment and to take a quiz about the material.

### Weekly Assignments

- ⇒ **Vocabulary quizzes:** Vocabulary lists are attached hereto, and quizzes will be administered on the dates indicated; vocabulary quizzes are cumulative.
- ⇒ **Major tests/exams:** Major tests will be administered at the three-week, six-week, and end-of-semester intervals; dates are indicated on the syllabus; reviews will be conducted in class before exams; students have to *study*.

Syllabus – English 1 **PreAP** – 4<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks, Spring 2008**W/E January 11:**

- Introduction to formal research
- SSR: *Animal Farm* (books furnished - handout)
- Annotation: *Animal Farm*
- Topic selection for research paper
- Handouts: complete format for constructing the research paper
- Library: begin research

**W/E January 18:**

- Stanford 10 Exam January 15-18
- Meet in Library during class time to work on research

**W/E January 25:**

- SSR: *Animal Farm*
- Socratic discussion: *Animal Farm*
- Meet in Library to complete research papers
- Submit research to turnitin.com by midnight January 24
- Submit hard copy of papers and oral presentations of research – Friday, January 25
- Vocabulary test #1 (see attached list) Vocabulary tests include matching, multiple choice, sentence construction, short essay

**W/E February 1:**

- Viewing/representing: *Animal Farm* film
- Socratic discussion: *AF* film vs. text
- Timed SSW: write a synthesis essay – *Animal Farm* text vs. film
- Vocabulary test #2 (see attached list)

**W/E February 8:**

- TAKS prep – reading comprehension
- TAKS prep – open-ended response
- SIX WEEK JOURNAL ENTRIES DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8
- Vocabulary test #3 (see attached list)

**W/E February 25:**

- TAKS prep – vocabulary in context
- TAKS prep – revising and editing
- TAKS prep – reading comprehension
- TAKS prep – open-ended response
- Vocabulary test #4 (see attached list)

**Vocabulary #1 TEST – January 23/24 (words in the text of *Animal Farm*; chapters noted; define in context)**

ensconced (1) benevolent (1) steadiness (1) comrade (1) laborious (1) abolish (1) confinement (1)  
 tyranny (1) prosperity (1) uproar (1) dissentients (1) unison (1) preeminent (2) vivacious (2)  
 expound (2) apathy (2) counteract (2) disciple (2) dishearten (2) capered (2) fetch (2)  
 unanimous (2) doled (3) parasitical (3) indefatigable (3) instituting (3) literate (3) essential (3)

**Vocabulary #2 TEST – January 30/31 (*Animal Farm* - will include words from Vocabulary #1)**

injustice (4) perpetually (4) distorted (4) ignominious (4) irrepressible (4) spectacle (4) contemptible (4)  
 impromptu (4) conferred (4) pretext (5) manifestly (5) canvassing (5) innovation (5) cartage (5)  
 conjured (5) faction (5) reinstate (5) advocating (5) expulsion (5) maxim (5) contemplating (5)  
 quarry (6) utilize (6) arable (6) abolished (6) compensated (6) malignity (6) intermediary (6)

**Vocabulary #3 TEST – February 6/7 (*Animal Farm* - will include words from Vocabulary lists #1 and #2)**

envious (7) emboldened (7) capitulated (7) frequenting (7) attribute (7) menacing (7) stupefied (7)  
 categorically (7) lurking (7) countenance (7) expulsion (7) treachery (7) retinue (8) inscribed (8)  
 skulking (8) impending (8) beatifically (8) conciliatory (8) venture (8) vengeance (8) lamentation (8)  
 complicity (9) contemptuous (9) suspicious (9) indignant (9) lament (9) interment (9) superannuated (10)

**Vocabulary #4 TEST – February 13/14 (*Animal Farm* - will include words from Vocabulary lists #1, #2, and #3)**

invariably (10) speculating (10) insoluble (10) imperishable (10) conscious (10) haughty (10) deputation (10)  
 diligently (10) accord (10) incumbent (10) sentiments (10) misgiving (10) dispelled (10) witticism (10)  
 allegory (GS) fable (GS) allusion (GS) analogy (GS) symbolism (GS) satire (GS) personification (GS)