



Welcome!

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English 7H & 8H

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A Little Bit About Me



- *Attended Moore briefly when my family moved from Rialto*
- *Redlands High graduate*
- *Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of Texas*
- *Masters of Education in Instructional Leadership*
- *Twenty second year teaching*
- *Seventh year at Moore*
- *I previously taught at Park View Middle School in Yucaipa and at Chula Vista High School*
- *My son, Ryder, is an eighth grader at Moore*
- *My many Monarch hats: English 7H and 8H teacher; Yearbook advisor; Washington, DC trip coordinator*



Contact Information

Ask questions and get clarification

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Check posted resources on teacher website

<https://www.redlandsusd.net/Domain/1885>

Utilize online text resources

<http://my.hrw.com>

Monitor progress

<https://aeries.redlandsusd.net/ParentPortal>



Common Core

Read all about it!

<http://www.corestandards.org/ELA-Literacy/>

- *Reading standards for literature and informational text*
- *Writing standards (including research)*
- *Speaking and listening standards*
- *Language standards*

Honors Class

Differentiated curriculum:

- Acceleration
- Depth & complexity
- Novelty



WICOR strategies: Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading



Other Areas of Focus

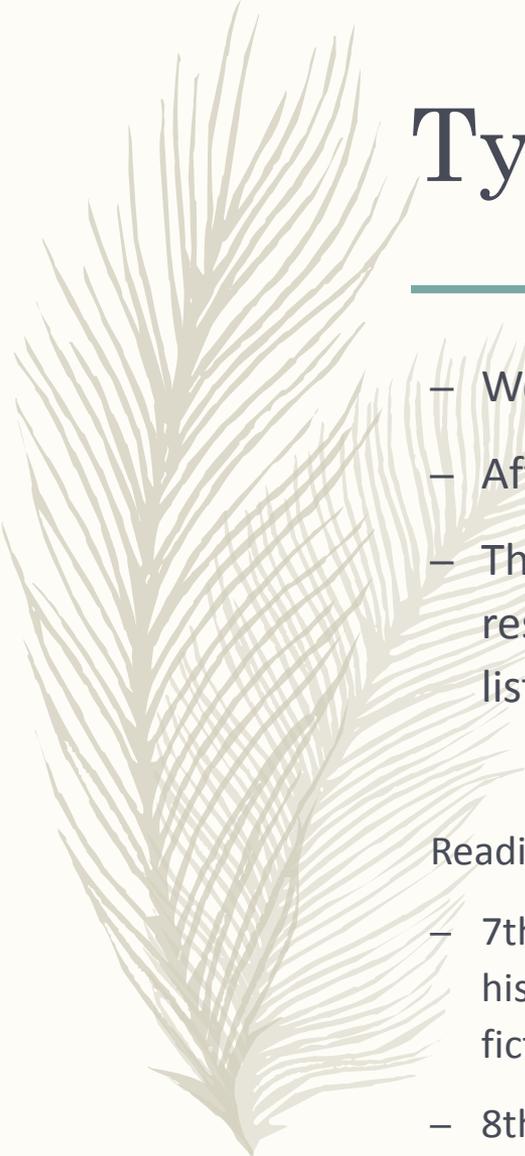
- Organization
- Time management
- Study skills
- Test-taking strategies

We are *insightful and reflective*; **technologically literate**; *effective communicators*; and **creative thinkers**.



Class Rules

1. Come prepared.
2. Be respectful.
3. Do your best.

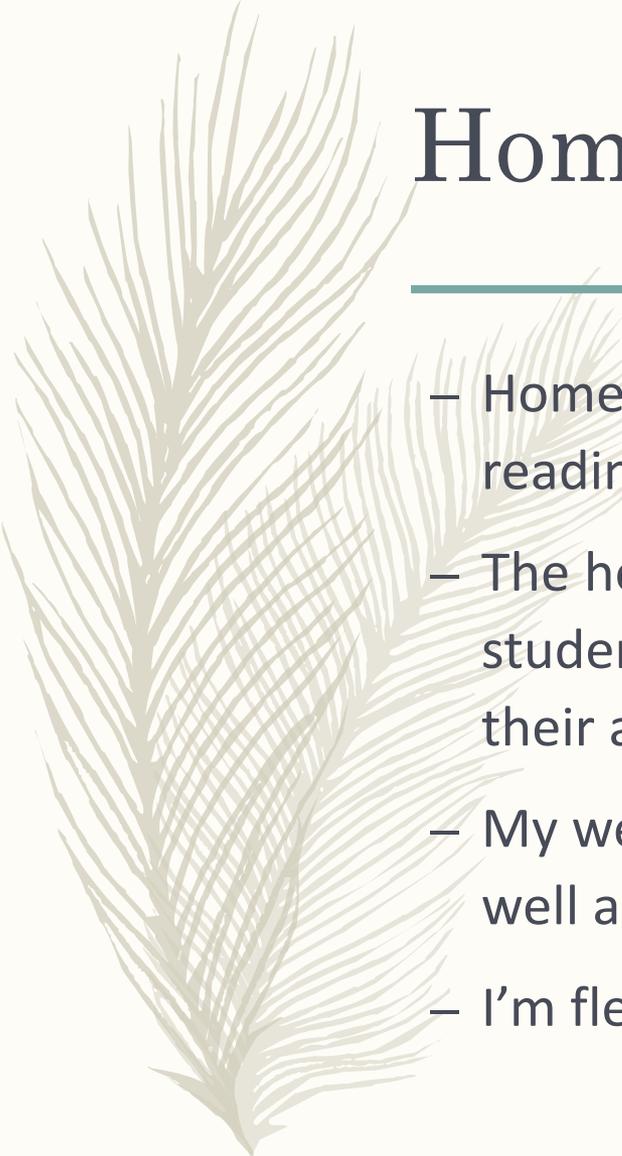


Typical Daily Schedule

- We will begin our English class with a warm-up/opener.
- After completing the warm-up, we'll move into the lesson for the day.
- The lesson usually focuses on reading strategies, literary analysis, research, or writing, but may also include vocabulary, grammar, or listening and speaking activities.

Reading

- 7th grade - *The Outsiders* and *The Giver*; contemporary young adult fiction and historical fiction (related to social studies); possibly *The Pearl* and science fiction
- 8th grade – culture & belonging or memoir; Poe; contemporary young adult fiction; *Night* and other Holocaust literature; *The Glory Field*



Homework

- Homework generally consists of unfinished classwork, reading of novels, and outside reading projects.
- The homework is posted on the board at all times and students are given time to copy the homework into their agendas.
- My website is updated with projects and due dates as well as class resources.
- I'm flexible! Come see me if more time is needed.



Grading

Two weighted categories:

- Daily Work - 50%
- Assessments (tests, essays, projects, performance tasks) – 50%

Within each category, assignments are awarded points.

- The more challenging and time-consuming the assignment, the more points it is worth.

In addition to the website, grades are available to students before school, at lunch, after school, or if time allows, during class.

If you need to communicate with me, feel free to call, e-mail, send a note to class, or write a note in the agenda and I will respond.



Citizenship Grades

“O” = Outstanding

- An outstanding citizen follows all school and class rules. He or she is respectful at all times and is an active participant in class.

“S” = Satisfactory

- A citizen who is satisfactory is either active in class, but may have minor issues with classroom behavior OR is well-behaved, but does not participate in class.

“N” = Needs Improvement

- A student who needs improvement is one who has been disruptive or disrespectful on more than one occasion. Academic dishonesty (copying another student’s work, allowing another student to copy his or her work, and plagiarism) will also earn a student an “N”.

“U” = Unsatisfactory

- A student will earn a “U” if he or she is continually disruptive, disrespectful, or dishonest.



Copying & Plagiarism

- Copying another student's work will not be tolerated
- Work that has been copied will receive a zero
- Work habits and citizenship marks will be affected
- Cutting and pasting or rewording from the internet is plagiarism (proper citation methods will be taught)
- Students should not use internet sources when analyzing literature

8th Grade Six-Word Memoirs

- [Period 3](#)
- [Period 5](#)

