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| Course DescriptionWe will be learning Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing in English by…**reading** stories, poems, articles, and plays. **writing** words, sentences, and paragraphs. learning **grammar** and functions of English. practicing **speaking** and **listening** in partners, small groups, and as a whole class. Classroom Policies* RESPECT: All students will speak and act respectfully toward staff, students, and topics/situations discussed in class. Classes can earn rewards if all students are respectful.
* BYOD: BYOD = Bring Your Own Device. You can use your phone, iPad, or laptop when the teacher says it is ok. The school is not going to help you if your things are lost, stolen, or broken. Be careful!
* HOMEWORK: You will have homework almost every day. You need to practice English after school – watch English TV, listen to English radio, read English books, magazines and online information.
* READING ASSIGNMENTS: you will read many kinds of literature of for this class. We will learn how to be stronger readers. We will talk about our ideas about what we read.
* WRITING ASSIGNMENTS: You will write in many different ways and for this class. We will work on writing together. Final drafts must be **typed** and have **no errors**. If you have a computer/printer problem let me know through email or before school starts.
* PLAGIARISM: If you copy work from the internet or another student, you will get **0 points** on the assignment and sent to see your principal. Keep your drafts to show your writing process.
* LATE WORK: **Homework is 50%** off for being late**. Excused** absences give you extra time to complete work. **Unexcused** absences do not allow you to turn in work from when you were absent.
* FINAL EXAM: It will count for **10%** of your grade.
* ATTENDANCE: Find a **partner** in class who will help you if you are absent – take notes, get worksheets and assignments for you. It is your **job** to come back to school ready to learn. If you miss a **test** (excused absence) you can talk to me and take the test before or after school.

Grading Scale99-100=A+, 93-98=A, 90-92=A-, 87-89=B+, 83-86=B, 80-82=B-, 77-79=C+, 73-76=C, 70-72=C-, 67-69=D+, 63-66=D, 60-62=D-, less than 59=E |  | Supplies* 1 ½ - 2” 3 ring binder
* Divider tabs (do not write on yet!)
* Spiral notebook with 3 holes to clip into binder
* 3x5 note cards
* 3 holed Pencil pouch or large (2-3”) binder ring to hold 3x5 notecards
* Flash drive or online document storage (dropbox, google drive etc.)
* **Optional:** red pen, colored pencils, highlighter, thesaurus, dictionary, and tissue paper

Units of Study – *Edge* FundamentalsReading & LiteratureWe will read many types of literature and learn new strategies to be strong readers. Listening & SpeakingYou will share and present your ideas and thoughts in partners, small groups, and to the whole class. Grammar &Writing You will learn writing conventions of English – grammar, spelling, and punctuation.  |