

St. Ambrose School

7th and 8th Language Arts and Literature

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Required Textbooks:

- 7th Grade: *Prentice Hall Literature* (\$100)- Grade Seven, *Voyages in English 7* textbook (\$50) and workbook (\$16), *Sadlier Vocabulary Workshop Level B* (\$15), *Progress in English* reading workbook (\$18)
- 8th Grade: *Voyages in English 8* textbook (\$50) and workbook (\$16), *Sadlier Vocabulary Workshop Level C* (\$15), *Progress in English* reading workbook (\$18)

Classroom Rules and Expectations:

- *Respect* is expected from all students in the classroom.
- Students must be *professional* and *responsible* at all times.
- Students must *strive* for success as well as *encourage* their peers to succeed.
- Always remember: this is a place of *learning*, not a place to discourage others. Mocking any classmate will not be tolerated. This is a “bully-free zone.”

Supplies: *Students must bring the following items to class each day.*

- Class textbook- covered with either provided St. Ambrose book cover, or clear contact paper.
- Writing utensils
- Homework folder
- Agenda book
- Composition notebooks dedicated to either Language Arts/ Literature
- Loose leaf paper (white, college-ruled)

Grading:

- The final grade is determined by points earned on homework, projects, quizzes and tests divided by points possible.
- Example: Points earned/ Points possible= Percentage

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- *Homework:* Students will be given homework on a regular basis. Homework will range from at-home reading assignments to assigned pages from their *Voyages* workbook. Please refer to the *2015-2016 St. Ambrose School Parent/ Student Handbook* for the Homework Policy.
- There will be a *Vocabulary Unit Test* every other Friday, and a *Vocabulary Spelling Quiz* every other Friday, falling on opposite Fridays. Ex: Vocab Test, Spelling Quiz, Vocab Test.
- Students will be required to complete a *Book Report* and *Essay* per quarter (First Quarter book report is substituted for Summer Reading Project.)
- Students must keep two organized “*Journals*” (Composition Books) dedicated to both Language Arts and Literature. When entering each class students will be given a “Warm-Up” to complete. Journals will be collected at random, at least once per quarter to check for completion and organization.