

ENGLISH 10

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Rationale: Why are you here?

The general goals of English are the enjoyment of literature and the development of thinking and communication skills. Speaking, listening, and writing about ideas and issues important to us makes us deeper and more understanding human beings.

Big Ideas:

English is driven by the following concepts:

- Language and text can be a source of creativity and joy.
- Exploring text and story helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.
- Developing our understanding of how language works allows us to use it purposefully.
- Purpose, audience, and context guide the author's choices in the construction of text
- Language can shape ideas and influence others.
- People understand texts differently depending on their worldviews and perspectives
- Texts are socially, culturally, and historically constructed.

Curricular Content:

English 10 offers various texts, e.g. short stories, poems, plays, films, and novel(s) to appeal to a variety of interests and abilities.

Activities:

Students may engage
in the following activities:

- Note-taking/active listening
- Responding to literature in writing
- Group discussion
- Oral contributions to class discussions
- Oral presentations
- Independent reading

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Assessment:

The main categories for assessment in English are:

- Writing
- Tests and Assignments
- Oral Language