

Mrs. Mau's Independent Reading Requirements

25% of Entire Literature grade

Independent Reading: You will be expected to read 1 ½ hours per week. All SSR time from the week can be applied.

Book Reports: Each quarter you will be expected to complete 2 book reports. Some quarters you will have a wider variety of choices, other times the teacher will choose the format.

Reading Logs : At the end of each week, a reading log will be due. I will collect these on Fridays. 1st quarter I will rotate homeroom due dates. The response should be at least ¾ of a page related to what you have read for your 1 ½ hour requirement for that week. (Typed would be preferred but not required.)

A – Minor summary, but includes something that stands out or had the biggest impact on you. Explain how it relates to your life or experiences. Make comparisons. At least ¾ page.

B - Minor summary, some relation to own life but not elaborated on, OR not ¾ page.

C – mostly summary OR entry is rather short.

D – all summary , very short in length.

Reading Counts : All tests will now be taken in my room. Students are able to read more books worth few points, or harder books that are worth more points.

1st quarter – 2 book reports (Students can choose books and get teacher approval.)

4 Reading Logs (1 every other week)

5 Reading count points

Weekly time sheets

Literature Guidelines (Mrs. Mau)

20% Homework

15% Vocabulary

25% Independent Reading

25% Tests

5% Group work

10% Effort

Homework

This will consist of answering questions from the book, or doing short responses. This will be done on looseleaf.

Vocabulary

Students will get vocabulary from the different stories which we read. They will be asked to choose a maximum of 4 words per story. They will need to copy the definition, give an antonym, synonym, and use it in an original sentence to show they understand the meaning. They may also get some vocabulary quizzes as well. These will be matching.

Independent reading

Reading counts, Reading logs, Book Reports

Tests

Tests will often be given after a concept or 2 are covered. Some of the questions will apply to the actual story while others will relate to the concepts studied.

Group work

Some activities will be done with others. Many of these will fall under this category. If there is a larger project or assignment that will fall under a different category, I will let you know.

Effort

Effort is calculated by starting the quarter with 100 points. For every late assignment or unfinished in class assignment, the student will have 2 points deducted.

Religion Guidelines (Mrs. Mau)

7th Grade focus is the new testament and the role of Jesus.

Grow in Love will be used at the end of the year with a parent supplement.

25% Homework

20% Catholic Quizzes

25% Tests

20% Bible quote responses

10% Effort

Homework

This will consist of activities out of the book as well as worksheets. Some mini projects will fall in this category as well.

Catholic Quizzes

These are 20 question quizzes. We cover 4 questions a day. The next day we review those four and add 4 more until we have covered 20. This is all done orally. Then we take a quiz on the 20 questions. These questions deal with church teachings, Saints, morality, values, and sacraments.

Tests

These consist of matching, fill in the blank and some short answer. They will relate to the chapters we cover and other lessons I include of importance.

Bible quote responses

Every other week a bible quote response is due. The students will be given a bible quote that will be posted on the wall. We will discuss it in class. The student in a $\frac{3}{4}$ page response needs to express what the quote means to him/her. Then also included is how it can be shown in today's world, how he/she has seen it used in the last 2 weeks by others, and how the individual has used it in the last 2 weeks.

- A- Gives explanation of meaning, how shown by others, how shown by self, $\frac{3}{4}$ page in length.
- B- Includes most of what is asked for, or not $\frac{3}{4}$ page in length.
- C- Gives minimal thought about what is asked for. Gives some examples. OR very short.
- D- Doesn't include examples or adequate explanations, very short.

Effort

Effort is calculated by starting the quarter with 100 points. For every late assignment or unfinished in class assignment, the student will have 2 point deducted.

English Guidelines (Mrs. Mau)

20% Homework

10% Concept quizzes

10% Spelling

10% DOL

25% Chapter tests

15% Writing

10 % Effort

Homework

This will consist of worksheets or book assignments done after a practice one is completed.

Concept quizzes

About each week there will be a quiz on the concepts taught so far in the chapter.

Spelling

Students will be given 10 words a week. There will be a pretest at the beginning of the week to see what the students know. They will complete a worksheet each week. At the end of each week, they will get a test on the 10 words.

DOL

We will cover 10 sentences dealing with spelling and grammar errors. After we have gone over all 10 there will be a test on all 10. I will collect each person's spiral sometime throughout the quarter. If it is picked and all corrections are made, an automatic 100 will be put at the top of the test.

Chapter tests

At the end of each chapter there will be a 2 part test. The first part will be open notes. This is mainly a matching term to definition and reviews the concepts of the chapter. Part 2 is application. Students will need to show they understand the material and apply it to examples. Part 1 can be used while taking part 2.

Writing

There will be some short writing assignments and others that are longer. These will be included as well as any prewriting assignments related to the writing assignment.

Effort

Effort is calculated by starting the quarter with 100 points. For every late assignment or unfinished in class assignment, the student will have 2 points deducted.