Mr. Jonathan Patel **Syllabus**
English I
2020-2021
Chester County High School

Welcome: I am so glad that you will be taking my class! In this English class, we will dive into multiple types of texts such as novels, stories, poems, essays, and plays regarding different themes like Survival and Forbidden Love! You will read intriguing texts, acquire and use new vocabulary, and find your own voice in your writing. Step into this new year with an eager heart and an open mind!

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The REMIND app and Google Classroom will be made available the first week of school. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Rules and Expectations:

Rules	**Expectations**
1.) Cell phones must be silenced and put away after the bell rings. 2.) Raise your hand to speak during the lesson. 3.) Keep your surrounding area clean and orderly. 4.) Follow all other school rules.	• Respect, Trust, and Honor • Think clearly about your words and actions and decisions before you make them. • Ask me for help. • Prioritize your attention and effort. • Leave everything better than you found it.
Consequences: If these rules and expectations are not followed and met, consequences will be given without prejudice or hesitation depending on the situation. Anything done to disrupt class will be met with discipline including any of the following: warnings, principal conference, and/or parent-teacher conference.	

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Supplies: The majority of this class will be completed online via Google Classroom and other websites. **Chromebooks will be provided to the class; however, if you do have your own laptop or chromebook device, please bring it to class each day to make things easier.** You will also need the following items:

- A Composition Notebook
- Writing Utensils
- Highlighter
- An organizer such as a folder or binder that you will be responsible for keeping up with. (Preferably something with brads or a binding.)

Grading Scale: The Grading scale for my class is as follows:

- Daily Assignments: 20%
- Quizzes/Informal Writing: 30%
- Tests/Projects/Essays: 50%

Make-Up Work/Retakes: The student is responsible for asking for, completing, and turning in all make-up assignments when days are missed. **The student will have however many days were missed +1 extra day to complete any and all make-up work and turn it in**. Otherwise, the work will be counted as a zero for the grade.

When it comes to retakes on assignments, my policy follows: I do not allow retakes on daily assignments. However, **I allow ONE retake on any quiz or test.** If the student receives anything lower than a 90 on any quiz or test, they are eligible to conference with me, set a scheduled date to retake the assignment, and then retake it. I will take the higher grade, but you cannot retake the assessment more than once.

Bathroom Policy: Please try and ask for permission to go to the bathroom before class begins. There is time between classes. If there is an emergency or medical condition, you may go. Otherwise, each semester, each student will receive only 3 bathroom passes to be used during class. **If you use the bathroom passes up, you will not be allowed to go during class for the remainder of the semester.** To use a bathroom pass, come and talk to me or raise your hand and sign out on the classroom clipboard by the board.

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Pacing Guide: Below is the Pacing Guide and readings that we will be doing this year.

American Voices

Essential Question: What does it mean to be "American"?

Content of Lesson	Genre/Lexile	Pacing/# of Days	Standard(s)
Unit Introduction **Mentor Text: "Music for My Mother"**	Nonfiction Narrative 770L	1	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
"The Immigrant Contribution" ***from* A Nation of Immigrants** John F. Kennedy	Essay 1320L	3	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, RI.CS.6,
"American History" Judith Ortiz Cofer	Short Story 1000L	3	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.3
Quiz 1		1	
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
"Rules of the Game" ***from* The Joy Luck Club** Amy Tan	Novel Excerpt 1000L	3	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.6,
"With a Little Help from My Friends" ***from* Funny in Farsi** Firoozeh Dumas	Memoir 920L	2	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, RI.CS.6,
"Morning Talk" Robert Hill Whiteman	Poetry	1	RL.KID.2, RL.CS.5
Quiz 2		1	
Unit Test		1	
Performance Task: Writing a Nonfiction Narrative		5	W.TTP.3, W.RW.10, W.PDW.5, W.PDW.6

The Literature of Civil Rights

Essential Question: How can words inspire change?

Content of Lesson	Genre/Lexile	Pacing/# of Days	Standard(s)
Unit Introduction	Multimedia	1	RI.KID.1
To Kill a Mockingbird *Harper Lee*	Novel 870L	30	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.6, L.VAU.4
Formative and Summative Assessments Quizzes and Test		4	
Launch Text: "1963: The Year That Changed Everything"	Informative Text 1030L	1	RI.KID.2
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
"I Have a Dream" Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.	Speech 1140L	3	RI.KID.1, RI.CS.6, SL.CC.3, L.CSE.1,
Remarks on the Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. Robert F. Kennedy	Media: Video	1	RI.KID.2
"For My People" · "Incident" Margaret Walker · Natasha Trethewey	Poetry	1	RL.CS.5, RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
Quiz		1	
Unit Test		1	
Performance Task: Writing a Informative Essay		5	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, W.TTP.2, W.RW.10, W.PDW.5, W.PDW.6
Extension Activity	Video	3	RL.IKI.7

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Survival **Essential Question: What does it take to survive?**			
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Unit Introduction **Launch Text: "Survival is Your Own Responsibility"** Daryl R. Miller	Public Letter 1120L	1	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, RI.CS.6
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
***from* Life of Pi** Yann Martel	Novel Excerpt 870L	2	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
"I Am Offering This Poem" Jimmy Santiago Boca	Poetry	1	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.5, RL.CS.6
Quiz		1	
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
"Most Dangerous Game" Richard Connell	Short Story 740L	4	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
Mentor Text: "The Cost of Survival"	Argumentative Text 1070L	1	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, RI.CS.5, RI.CS.6
"The Seventh Man" Haruki Murakami	Short Story 910L	5	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.5, RL.CS.6
Quiz		1	
Test		1	
Performance Task: Writing an Argumentative Essay		5	W.TTP.1, W.RW.10, W.PDW.5, W.PDW.6

Star-Crossed Romances **Essential Question: Do we determine our own destinies?**			
Content of Lesson	**Genre/Lexile**	**Pacing/# of Days**	**Standard(s)**
Unit Introduction: "Shakespeare in the Classroom"	Video	2	RI.KID.2
***The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet*, Act I** William Shakespeare	Drama	9	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.5, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
***The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet*, Act II** William Shakespeare	Drama	6	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
***The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet*, Act III** William Shakespeare	Drama	5	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
***The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet*, Act IV** William Shakespeare	Drama	4	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
***The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet*, Act V** William Shakespeare	Drama	4	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
Test		1	
Performance Task: Writing a Informative Essay		5	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, W.TTP.2, W.RW.10, W.PDW.5, W.PDW.6
Extension Activity	Video	3	RL.IKI.7

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Journeys of Transformation

Essential Question: Why are we drawn to seek new horizons? What do we learn when we go?

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Unit Introduction **Launch Text: *from* "The Hero's Adventure" *from* The Power of Myth** Joseph Campbell and Bill Moyers **What Makes a Hero** Matthew Winkler	Interview 1200L Video	1	RI.KID.1, RI.KID.2, RI.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
***from* The Odyssey, Part 1** Homer Translated by Robert Fitzgerald	Epic Poem	3	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
***from* The Odyssey, Part 2** Homer Translated by Robert Fitzgerald	Epic Poem	3	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
***from* The Odyssey: A Graphic Novel** Gareth Hinds	Graphic Novel	2	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.IKI.7
Quiz		1	
Vocabulary Study		1	L.VAU.4
"The Return" Ngugi wa Thiong'o	Short Story 670L	3	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3
"Courage" · "Ithaka" Anne Sexton · C.P Cavafy, translated by Edmund Keeley and Philip Sherrard	Poetry	2	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.5, RL.CS.6
"The Road Not Taken" · "Your World" Robert Frost · Georgia Douglas Johnson	Poetry	1	RL.KID.1, RL.KID.2, RL.KID.3, RL.CS.5, RL.CS.6
Quiz		1	
Test		1	
Extension Activity	Video	3	RL.IKI.7, L.VAU.5