

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

In English Language Arts courses, students demonstrate increasing competence in the use of language and the appreciation and understanding of literature. The skills developed at each grade include reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing and representing. The course sequences have been developed to meet the needs, attitudes, interest, and future plans of the students. Although movement between course sequences is possible, depending on the student's achievement, it is important to note that each has a different focus and expectations. The student's initial placement will be based on Grade 9 achievement.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 10-1 _

5 credits

Prerequisite: Highly recommend 65% in Grade 9 Language Arts

There are both literary and language components in this course. Students study and analyze fiction, non fiction, poetry, drama and feature films. Students will be required to produce personal and critical texts (both print and non print) as students increase their ability to use language effectively. Students will use and develop technology skills for presenting and managing information. This course is for academic students. **There are separate Honours Sections of this course with additional units of study.**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 10-2 _

5 credits

Prerequisite: 50%-64% in Grade 9 Language Arts

This course attempts to remedy and develop fundamental reading, writing, listening, speaking and viewing skills. The emphasis is clear communication. English 10-2 is intended for students who, in junior high school, have found language arts challenging.

ENGLISH 10-4 _

5 credits

Prerequisite: recommendation from the Jr. High language arts teacher and/or counsellor.

This is a course which integrates English and Job Preparation and allows students to expand their knowledge in practical and interesting areas. Units covered include:

- Communication with others
- Exploring and assessing print and non-print media
- Communication skills for life and workplace

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20-1

5 credits

Prerequisite: Highly recommend 60% in English Language Arts 10-1

Students continue to develop skills in all language arts strands with increased emphasis on the essay as a vehicle for communication. Students will improve their understanding of more sophisticated techniques of writing and expression and enhance their critical thinking skills. The use of information technology will be an integral part of this course. **There are separate Honours and I.B. Sections of this course with additional units of study.**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20-2

5 credits

Prerequisite: 50% in English 10-2

This course emphasizes the development of effective communication skills and a critical attitude. Students will build confidence as they develop their English Language Arts skills for school success, future careers and life goals.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20-4

5 credits

Prerequisite: 50% in English 10-4

English 20-4 integrates English and Business Services allowing students to expand their knowledge of English in practical and current areas of interest.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 30-1

5 credits

Prerequisite: Highly recommend 60% in English 20-1

This course is a prerequisite for all university programs. In this course, students will focus on reflective analysis and critical evaluation of all literary forms, with extensive reading of various genres. The ability to use the literary essay as a means of expression will be practiced and perfected. Completion of this course requires the writing of the provincial diploma examination. **There are separate Honours and I.B. Sections of this course with additional units of study.**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 30-2

5 credits

Prerequisite: 50% in English 20-2

In this course, language and literature are studied in an integrated structure to refine skills in the six communication strands. Life skills such as job interviews, application, and report writing are stressed. Completion of this course requires the writing of the provincial diploma examination.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 30-4

5 credits

Prerequisite: 50% in English 20-4

Approximately 80% of instructional time is spent on required concepts, skills and attitudes. The remaining 20% of time is devoted to new topics and themes while continuing to build English skills.

DIRECTED READING 25/35 for Avid Readers

No prerequisite required for level 25

This 5 credit course is designed for students who exhibit a desire to read a wide range of genre, periods and styles that are of personal interest to the student. The literature studied in this course may include fantasy, sports, drama, classics and works in translation. All works selected will be significantly different from literature studied in regular English Language Arts courses. Students will enhance their close reading skills, participate in discussions, group readings and critical writing. This course is for students who are proficient readers, but who wish to develop further their literary landscape.