

English 9-1

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CLASS DESCRIPTION: An course combining elements of writing, reading and public speaking particularly focused on recovering credit from first semester English.

CLASS OBJECTIVES:

1. To recover credit from first semester
2. To achieve mastery of basic writing skills
3. To experience various formats of public speaking
4. To read a collection of short stories, poems and novels

CLASS TOPICS:

- 5 Paragraph Essay
- Research Skills
- Creative writing
- Poetry
- Public Speaking
- Strategic Reading
- Brain Skills

Note: During the class we will take part in readings, discussions, performances and other activities. Your involvement in these activities will determine your class participation grade.

Extra Credit: Extra credit is available to students on the class webpage located at <http://www.blocksclass.com>. Other options for extra credit will be available to students on a periodic basis as provided by the teacher. Extra Credit will NOT be available to students for extra work at the end of the semester, etc. Students should avail themselves of extra credit when it is provided as it may not be an option later on.

Grades: Grading is based on a 4 point grading scale similar to GPA

A	3.50-4.00
B	2.75-3.50
C	1.75-2.75
D	0.75-1.75
F	0.00-0.75

Late Work: Reviews will not be accepted late. ALL OTHER Late work will result in a reduced grade. Late Presentations must be arranged with the teacher. Work will be accepted late on a case by case basis.