DMCI Grade 1 Comprehensive English Language Arts
ENGC4S
Course Outline

Grade 1 English Language Arts (ELA) is a two term course resulting in one credit at the end of the semester should all of the following outcomes be successfully met. The six areas of English Language Arts are reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing and representing. You will continue to develop the skills and knowledge that you have gained in previous ELA courses. This course gives a 50% emphasis on Expository/Transactional material and 50% emphasis on Literary material.

Learning Outcomes: Your learning experiences are aimed at achieving these 9 general outcomes as outlined in the Manitoba Education ELA curricula. You will:

- Explore thought, ideas and experiences.
- Comprehend and respond personally and critically to oral, print, and other media texts.
- Manage ideas and information.
- Enhance the clarity and artistry of communication.
- Celebrate and build community.
- Identify and assimilate the characteristics of strategic readers.
- Apply writing strategies and skills to enhance communication and demonstrate comprehension.
- Reconstruct information from inquiry based learning, using a variety of sources, reading and writing strategies and information literacy skills.
- Demonstrate the characteristics of strategic learners.

Required Materials:

- Large 3 ring binder
- USB memory stick
- Blue Pens
- Loose-leaf
- Red Pens
- Duo tangs
- Ruler
- Highlighter

Course Content: Through out the school year, course material will be selected from the following novels, plays and collections:
**Novels**
- Pride and Prejudice
- The Great Gatsby
- Life of Pi
- The Stone Angel
- Old Man and the Sea
- Jamrach’s Menagerie
- Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy
- Keeper n’Me
- 1984

**Plays**
- Hamlet
- Othello
- Death of a Salesman
- The Glass Menagerie

-A selection of novels and reading materials for independent and group study.

-A variety of fiction and non-fiction, articles, essays, poetry, short stories, videos, and other media sources.

**Homework:** You will be assigned homework if school work is not completed during regular class hours.

**Due Dates:** You must hand in assignments on the due date. Bonus marks may be awarded if work is submitted early, 10% will be deducted the day after the due date, 20% the second day after, 30% on the third and assignments will be not accepted after the third day.

**Evaluation and Assessment:** Plagiarism is a serious offence and will result in a mark of 0% for that assignment. Assignments will be submitted through BLACKBOARD LEARN, an online plagiarism checker. Assessment and evaluation are on-going throughout the course resulting in one credit at the end of the semester should all of the outcomes be successfully met. The course breakdown is divided into Term Work = 70% and Provincial Examination = 30%.

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**Attendance:** Your attendance is taken very seriously at DMCI. As per the school’s attendance policy, lates are calculated as 4 lates = 1 absence. **Your ELA credit is**
suspended when the total absences and lates combined = 10 absences. Remember that a positive attitude, good effort, regular attendance and active participation are essential for success in this course.