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### ***The World According to Mrs. G....***

There are expectations of behavior and courtesy in my classroom. Here is my list of **MUSTS**:

- Be respectful of me, classmates, the classroom, materials and yourself.
- No FOOD or DRINK in the classroom at any time.
- Come prepared to class-- this means having homework, your binder, paper, writing utensils and your planner daily.
- **If it does not belong to you, do not touch!** Otherwise, always ask permission.
- No lining up at the door please—stay in your seat until the bell rings!
- Have a positive attitude! :)

### ***Other Classroom Expectations***

**Bathroom Policy**— Students are expected to use their planner for the restroom and will get it signed. There is to be only ONE student out at a time, and students will be required to sign out at the front of the room before they leave. Please use the restroom at the beginning/end of class to limit disruptions unless it is an emergency. Students abusing the bathroom privilege may have limited or revoked bathroom privileges on an individual basis.

**Technology policy**-- Cellphones and all other forms of technology (ipads, ipods etc.) are to be put away, prohibited from being charged in my classroom and are to be out of sight unless there are special circumstances and unless I say you may use them in class as part of the curriculum.

1st offense- verbal warning

2nd offense- confiscation of phone/ call to parents

3<sup>rd</sup> offense- detention and notification to principal

4<sup>th</sup> offense—loss of cell phone privileges

Confiscation, phone calls home, detentions and loss of privileges may serve as a consequence for not adhering to this rule.

***Mrs. Erica Giannetti***

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**Classroom:** P113

### **Conference Period:**

Period 3

I am also available after school on Mondays and Wednesdays until 3:30 in the event that you need extra help, have a question about an assignment or wish to make arrangements for make-up work due to an absence.

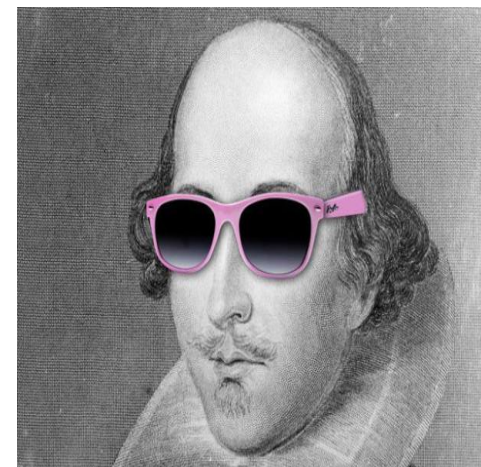
You will get out of this class what you put in, so I urge you to put your best foot forward! I am looking forward to enjoying the year with you and making your freshman year a fun and positive experience here at Jackson High School! :)

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## ***Welcome to English 102!***



***"It is not in the stars  
to hold our destiny  
but in ourselves." –  
William Shakespeare***

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**2016-2017**

## Textbooks

Provided Texts:

*The Odyssey* by Homer  
*Romeo and Juliet* by Shakespeare  
*Anthem* by Ayn Rand

Various titles for the Reader/Writer Workshop

Purchased:

*The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho

## Class Supplies

Required: (these will be checked!)

- 1" binder for Reader/Writer Workshop
- 2 sets of loose leaf for R/W mini-lessons
- tabs for binder
- black/blue pens and #2 pencils
- highlighters and post-it notes
- Flash drive
- School provided planner

## Discipline and Behavioral Expectations

Consequences may include:

- 1<sup>st</sup> offense- verbal warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> offense- a call to parents
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- detention and office referral

**Consequences may escalate depending on the severity of the offense.** Some situations may result in an immediate referral to the principal.

In my classroom, you are expected to act with respect, integrity and decorum. **Your behavior and actions not only affect you, but everyone in the classroom so I ask that you always keep this in mind. I will give you responsibilities and I expect you to do them to the best of your ability.**

**In terms of school work, you are expected to do your OWN work.** If there is evidence that you have copied another student's work or may have plagiarized material, there will be consequences. These can be found in your student handbook.

## Grading Policy

Assignments will be weighted according to the expectations of each assignment. The class will be run in a Reader/Writer Workshop style complete with mini-lessons, and some time to read / work on activities and assignments in class. **Anything not finished in class is considered homework.** Point values, expectations and due dates will be made clear when the assignment is given.

Assignments will fall into two categories:

### Process = 15%

Classwork, participation, homework  
journal entries

### Product = 85%

Quizzes, tests, essays, papers,  
presentations

Teachers may raise or lower a student's grade one letter based on the student's effort in the class.

In recording the final grade for each grading period, the school grading scale will be used:

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	59-below

For clarification of the Jackson High School grading policy, please consult the student handbook.

## Policy on Homework and Assignments

Homework is a necessary part of learning. It is used to reinforce a concept taught in class and to determine the understanding of a concept or selection. With this in mind, these are the policies for homework and assignments:

- Late homework **may** receive half credit; however, if it is daily homework we have gone over in class, no credit will be given for late work.
- Students will be given a "Homework Pass" at the beginning of each nine weeks and it may be used once a 9 weeks for a smaller homework assignment not exceeding 20 process points.
- \*\*Larger assignments turned in late will be docked a minimum of one letter grade per day late.\*\***

## Attendance

You will have a hard time knowing what is going on if you miss class—so please make it a priority to be here so you can maximize your learning potential! You are responsible for any missed work-- it can be found at the front of the room hanging on the big board and should you have questions, please see me at the **very beginning of class before the bell rings or at the end of class.** Please submit excuses to the attendance office when you return to school.

Excused Absence:

- Tests, quizzes, or homework previously assigned are to be taken care of **on the day** you return.
- For every day missed, students have **one day** to submit work.
- You may send in projects and compositions with a friend or family member to avoid penalties.

## Make-Up Policy:

If you should happen to miss a test or a quiz, make-ups can occur during a study hall or before/after school. Most of them will take place in the TLC unless it is arranged otherwise. Also, if a test, quiz, or presentation is missed, the absence must be an excused absence in order to make up the assignment.

If you are present the day of a test or quiz, you are required to complete it on that day, unless you were absent for more than two consecutive days and have an excused absence.

**In addition, it is your responsibility to submit any work due during your absence. It is due the day return; if not it is late.**

**\*\*Homework and assignments will be updated at the beginning of each week on my teacher website under the "Classroom News" tab. \*\***