

Dr. Huth: English 9

## GRADE BREAKDOWN

Major Grades: 50%  
(includes tests and  
major writing assignments)

Midrange Grades: 30%  
(includes superquizzes and  
smaller writing assignments)

Daily Work: 20%  
(includes quizzes,  
homework, and class preparation)

## COURSE EXPECTATIONS

- Students are expected to come to class prepared: this means that you must bring a writing instrument, paper, and the appropriate text(s) to class **every day**. If you come to class without your book, you will be asked to return to your locker to retrieve it and will be counted as tardy.
- I also expect students to participate actively in class discussion; if you are not a big talker, you can still be invested in the class by listening carefully and taking notes, but it's a good idea to aim for at least one contribution to discussion every day.
- I am most interested in each student's individual thoughts and analysis of literature, not on his or her ability to find the best outside sources of analysis. Therefore, I strongly discourage the use of study guides, such as Sparknotes. Since anything you read in these study guides would be counted as plagiarism if included in your own writing, it is best to avoid them altogether.
- All work must be your own, which also means that you may not have someone else (whether a peer or an adult) edit or proofread your writing for errors. Feel free to discuss ideas with your parents and your friends, but remember that your writing must be entirely your own.