

MERIT Sixth Grade Honors Language Arts

Thomas County Upper Elementary

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Course Description: Sixth Grade Honors Language Arts will focus on reading, vocabulary, researching, writing, analyzing, and speaking skills.

First Nine Weeks:

Texts: *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
Various articles, poems, and short informational texts
Writing Focus: Informational
Narrative

Second Nine Weeks:

Texts: *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank
The Diary of Anne Frank by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett (Play)
Various articles, poems, and short informational texts
Writing Focus: Argumentative
Narrative

Third Nine Weeks:

Texts: *Boy: Tales of Childhood* by Roald Dahl
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
Various articles, poems, and short informational texts
Writing Focus: Argumentative
Narrative

Fourth Nine Weeks:

Texts: *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin
Various articles, poems, and short informational texts
Writing Focus: Narrative

Ongoing Assignments:

- Membean
- Reading from class novels, as assigned
- Independent Reading

Course Requirements: Students will maintain an English/Language Arts notebook with daily notes, vocabulary, graphic organizers, study guides, and writing assignments. Students will complete projects as assigned.

Homework Expectations: Students are expected to complete and turn in all homework on time.

Behavioral Expectations: Students should be on time and prepared for class with completed assignments, notebook, paper, and pencils.

Grading:	Daily grades	30%
	Formative Assessments	30%
	Summative Assessments	40%

Make up Policy: All work is expected on time. Projects turned in late, will be penalized points for each day late and will be given a zero after the five day grace period.

*This is the tentative plan for the year. Adjustments will be made if necessary.