

Description: This course is organized around the Common Core Standards for English Language Arts reading, writing, speaking, listening and language for tenth grade. Special emphasis is placed on preparing for the Keystone Literature Exam. **Text:** *Prentice Hall Literature, Penguin Edition, Pennsylvania, Grade 10*, Copyright© 2007

Keystone Exam preparation

- 📖 Fiction and non-fiction
- 📖 Inferences, connections, etc.
- 📖 Literary devices
- 📖 Vocabulary
- 📖 Constructed response writing
- 📖 Conventions of standard written language
- 📖 CDT tests

Fiction and Non-fiction

- 📖 Short stories
- 📖 Novel
- 📖 Poetry
- 📖 William Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* (play)
- 📖 Figurative language, literary devices and critical thinking about each piece
- 📖 Non-fiction annotation, analysis and reflection.

Writing

- 📖 The writing process (pre-write, draft, revise, edit, submit)
- 📖 Expository, narrative, argumentative
- 📖 Literature-related writing

Vocabulary

- 📖 Definitions
- 📖 Parts of speech
- 📖 Synonyms and antonyms
- 📖 Prefixes, suffixes and roots
- 📖 Sentence use

Research

- 📖 MLA-style essays
- 📖 Mini-workshops on research, the library, Internet searches, outlining, writing, plagiarism, documentation

Miscellaneous

- 📖 Four required writing samples
- 📖 Technology infusion
- 📖 Study Island
- 📖 STAR Reader online assessments

Accelerated Reader

- 📖 Earn 20 points per marking period reading AR-approved books. Check arbookfind.com before reading!