

Beyond Worksheets: Grammar, Punctuation, Editing – Oh My!

Grades: 5TH – 9TH
Day (s) of Week: Monday
Time of Class: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm ET
Length of Class: 10 weeks
Semester: Spring 2019
Tuition: \$300.00

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Description of Class:

Who remembers the dreaded WARRINER'S GRAMMAR textbook that *almost* every high school student used? Yup – you know the one. The small, thick book that had grammar exercise after exercise. Don't panic! This course is **NOT** that.

In Beyond Worksheets, students will be active learners in the understanding of the rules as well as providing examples of their knowledge. Students will learn through videos, engaging games and activities as well as creating an interactive notebook, which will serve as a resource. Students will NOT master every rule in 10-weeks; however, this course is intended to open their eyes, introduce them to the rules and help them develop a resource to refer to in the future.

Textbook:

The Synonym Finder by JL Rodale

https://www.amazon.com/Synonym-Finder-J-L-Rodale/dp/0446370290/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1540359564&sr=8-1&keywords=the+synonym+finder

Additional Supplies/Resources Needed:

A spiral notebook with at least 100 pages in it OR a 3-ring binder with at least 100 sheets of notebook paper in it. Students will use this to keep an interactive notebook for the class.

- Pencil / Pen
- Smart Phone/ Tablet for taking digital pictures or creating videos
- Markers / Colored Pencils / Gel Pens
- Scissors, glue, scotch tape, washi tape
- Computer Access

- Printer Access
- Printer Ink
- Printer Paper

Weekly Homework:

Up to two hours per week. The students will be keeping an interactive notebook. Their homework will be to write the grammar rules, explain them in a way that they will remember them and provide examples through pictures and words. This notebook will be an amazing resource to them in the future.

Homework Policy:

It is expected that they keep up with their interactive notebook. They will be required to provide examples they used in their notebook during the beginning of each class.

Additional Policies:

One hundred percent effort, honesty and politeness are expected in this class.

Evaluation:

This class will be evaluated on an EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS – MEETS EXPECTATIONS - NOT THERE YET basis. Letter grades will not be provided.

Anticipated Weekly Course Schedule:

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Week	Topic
Week 1	Parts of Speech
Week 2	Rules for Capitalization, Writing Numbers, Writing Titles and Basic Punctuation
Week 3	Rules for Apostrophes, Quotation Marks, Hyphens, Semi-Colons and Colons
Week 4	Homophones, Antonyms and Synonyms
Week 5	Spelling Demons: Commonly Misused and Misspelled Words
Week 6	The Four Types of Sentences – Declarative, Imperative, Interrogative, Exclamatory
Week 7	Literary Devices and Understanding them how to use them in Writing: Alliteration, Simile, Metaphors and Personification
Week 8	Complete Sentences and Detecting Fragments
Week 9	Editing Like You Mean It! – How to TRULY Edit!
Week 10	End of Class Review & Jeopardy Game