6th Grade Language Arts

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word writing spelling composition reading spelling spelling spelling words.

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A little about me:

- AZ Native
- 14th year of teaching, 6th year in Kyrene
- Bachelors degree in education from ASU, Masters in education from NAU
- Endorsements- Reading and SEI
- Ahwatukee resident for 14 years.
- I have three daughters that attend Kyrene schools and Tempe Union
- I am a certified yoga teacher
- Hobbies: yoga, hiking, adventure, traveling, frying new restaurants



Curriculum

- Language, Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening (Kagan Structures)
- Informational reading/literature
 - Central idea, theme, inferencing, figurative vs. literal language
 - Author's point of view
 - Evaluate arguments and claims
 - Defending responses with evidence from the text
- Annotation, analyzing text
 - Making notes as they read and making connections
- Spelling/vocabulary using Greek and Latin roots, context clues, academic vocabulary, Google docs

Curriculum

- Writing
 - Arguments and claims; providing support and evidence
 - Informational/explanatory text; organize information and develop the topic
 - Narratives; develop using sequencing, descriptive language, dialogue and precise language

We will work on structure, style, word choice with each piece using the writing process and technology.



Organization of text

- Students will use the "stoplight" method to highlight information in a text.
- They will use the same method to structure their writing.
- Green- topic
 - Yellow- main ideas/points Red- examples, evidence





Give a reason, detail, or fact. Use a transition.



Explain. Give an example.

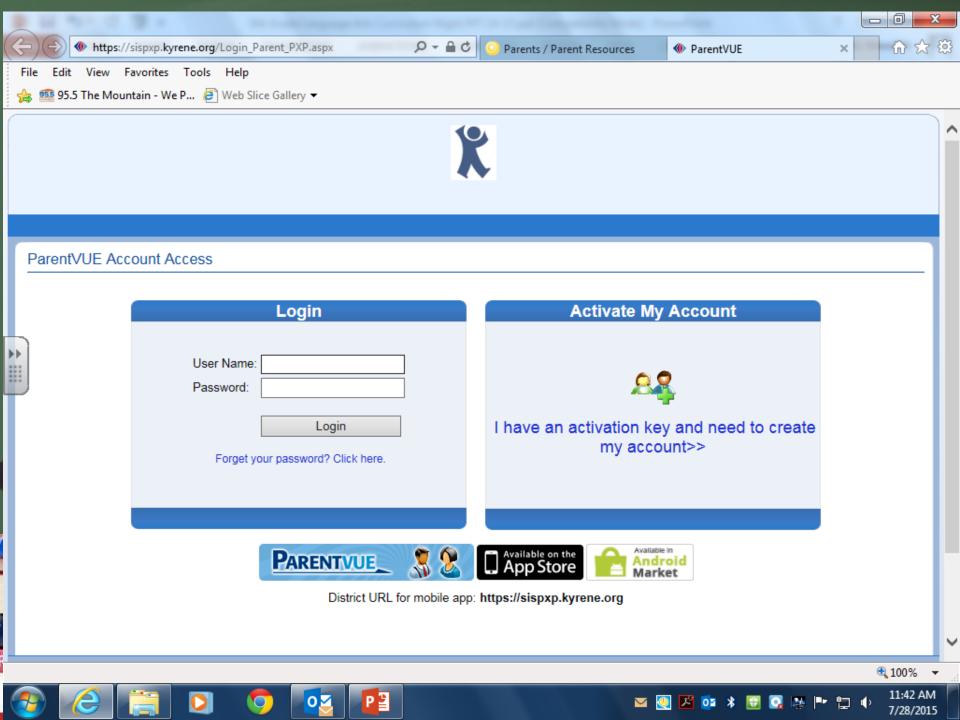


Remind the reader of your topic.

Grading



- Students may receive grades for classwork and homework. This includes daily "walk-in" work. (30% of grade)
- Larger assignments such as assessments, projects, reader's response, research, creative writing work will receive more points than daily work. (70% of grade)
- Use the Parent Vue Portal on Kyrene website to check grade and work completion status.
 Students can check grades via Student Vue with their student number. Contact school



Learning Goal Scale

Score	Learning Goal
4	I completely understand, I am able to explain it and teach it to others.
3	I completely understand.
2	I understand parts.
1	With help, I understand parts
Ø	I do not understand.



Homework

Nightly

- -20+ (for enjoyment and book reflections)

 <u>Possible Assignements:</u>
- -conventions, spelling/vocabulary/grammar
- Unfinished classwork
- Pre-reading of upcoming text
- Additional research/writing time for projects
 - Absent/make-up or missing work

WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

,	Student A Reads	Student B Reads		Student C Reads
*	20 minutes per day.	5 minutes per day.	*	1 minute per day
*	3,600 minutes per school year.	900 minutes per school year.	*	180 minutes per school year.
*	1,800,000 words per year.	282,000 words per year.	*	8,000 words per year.
4.	Scores in the 90th percentile on	❖ Scores in the 50 th percentile on	♦ §	cores in the 10th percentile on
9	standardized tests.	standardized tests.	st	andardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

(Nagy and Hermon, 1982.)

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.

Supplies

- 2 Composition books
- Two pocket folder with three prongs
- Highlighters- green, yellow, pink, blue
- Toolkit/pencil pouch- with general needs (see handout from team)
- ***A daily reading book!!!

Things to ask your child...

Can I see your agenda?

Did you reflect on your nightly

reading?

Do you need to replenish your supplies?

Are you working on any long term projects?



Best way to reach me:

- dlunn@Kyrene.org
- 480-541-5907
- Class website- resource, rubrics, and handouts
- 6B Team website- homework

Thanks for coming!