

COLLEGE LITERACY  
GRADES 10-12  
(1 semester – No Prerequisites)

COURSE OVERVIEW

College Literacy is designed for those students who are reading at grade level or beyond and are interested in strengthening reading skills necessary for success at Lake Park High School and in college. The class will include study skills, vocabulary, comprehension skills, content area reading strategies, reading speed, and standardized test strategies. Students will find the course helpful in preparing for college entrance exams, ACT, SAT, and Advanced Placement tests. Achievement will be measured in pre- and post-test results.

UNITS OF INSTRUCTION

- UNIT 1 - Vocabulary Skills
- UNIT 2 - Reading Comprehension Skills
- UNIT 3 - Study Skills
- UNIT 4 - Standardized Reading Tests

STUDENT OUTCOMES

1. Improved reading comprehension skills. (1B, 2A, 2B)
2. Improved vocabulary skills. (1A)
3. Improved word attack skills. (1A)
4. Improved content literacy. (1B,1C, 2A)
5. Improved skill in reading narrative materials. (1B, 1C, 2A, 2B)
6. Improved study skills.
7. Improved success on standardized reading tests.

MAJOR LEARNING EXPERIENCES TO ACHIEVE OUTCOMES

1. Demonstrate the ability to take notes, complete a daily planner, develop a filing system, prepare for tests, and apply test-taking strategies.
2. Demonstrate note-taking devices in conjunction with textual reading: main idea, details and vocabulary are included in these notes.
3. Based on diagnostic testing, demonstrate an improvement of one grade level or more in the following specific reading skills: main idea, supporting details, vocabulary in context, clarifying devices, subject matter, and drawing conclusions.
4. Read and analyze a variety of short stories and novels.

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| 5. | Participate in class discussions and projects.                                |
| 6. | Complete a variety of computer programs to develop individual reading skills. |

ADOPTED TEXT OR PRINCIPAL MATERIALS USED

<p><i>The Townsend Press College Preparatory Reading Test.</i> Townsend Press <i>Advancing Vocabulary Skills.</i> Townsend Press <i>Amsco's Preparing for the ACT English and Reading Tests.</i> Amsco <i>Improving Your Study Skills.</i> Amsco <i>The College Student.</i> Jamestown Publishers <i>Six Way Paragraphs in Content Areas</i> Jamestown <i>Ten Steps To Advancing College Reading Skills.</i> Townsend Press <i>Timed Reading Plus.</i> Jamestown Publishers <i>Timed Reading in Science.</i> Jamestown Publishers <i>Topics for the Restless.</i> Jamestown Publishers <i>Advancing Vocabulary Skills.</i> Townsend Press <i>Quantum Reading Series.</i> Steck-Vaughn</p>
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