

Language Arts (Grade 8)

Final Exam Study Guide

Terms to Know:

1. Alliteration
2. Antagonist
3. Atmosphere
4. Audience
5. Autobiography
6. Ballad
7. Biography
8. Character
9. Character Sketch/Characterization
10. Climax
11. Conflict
 - Internal (Character versus character)
 - External (Character versus character – interpersonal, Character versus nature, and character versus society)
12. Dialect
13. Dialogue
14. Diction (word choice)
15. Fiction
16. Figurative Language
17. Figure of Speech
18. Flashback
19. Free Verse Poem
20. Haiku
21. Informational Text
22. Imagery
23. Irony
24. Limerick
25. Metaphor
26. Mood
27. Narrator

28. Narrative
29. Non-Fiction
30. Onomatopoeia
31. Personification
32. Plot
33. Point of View
 - First Person (I)
 - Third (She/he)
34. Prose
35. Protagonist
36. Setting
37. Simile
38. Sonnet
39. Stanza
40. Stereotype
41. Suspense
42. Symbolism
43. Theme
44. Tone
45. Topic Sentence
46. Transitions/Transitional Sentence/Transitional Words
47. Visuals
48. Voice

***** Other terms may be added before the midterm at teacher discretion *****

*****It is very important that students are able to apply these terms*****

Students need to be able to:

1. Write a letter (friendly or business)
2. Write an essay (informative, persuasive, argumentative, compare/contrast) – use class notes for reference
3. Write a poem (narrative, cinquain, sonnet, ballad, free verse, limerick, haiku, etc)
4. Write a story (using the 6 elements of a short story and tips for writing a short story – class notes)
5. Write a newspaper article
6. Construct an AD
7. Construct a poster (keep in mind the use of space, colour, text, appropriateness, images, pictures, etc)
8. Construct a cartoon or other illustration
9. Know features of text (handout)
10. Use RACE technique when answering questions (R-restate the question to form a topic sentence, A-answer all parts of the question, C-cite (quote) examples from the text and E-explain and elaborate and don't forget to write a concluding sentence)

*****Please ensure that when asked to do either of these that proper formatting and rules are applied for this medium*****

You will find some of the handouts and notes on my website at

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GOOD LUCK!!!!!!!