

English, Grade 9 – Academic
ENG 1D0

The Grade 9 Academic English course considers how individuals face adversity and overcome difficulties to grow and develop personally. Our Grade 9's will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction to better understand how meaning is constructed through the text. In the Grade 9 Academic English class you may study a core novel such as, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* or *Eleanor and Park*. We also study the Shakespearean play *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Students are also introduced to the key concepts of media studies through an introduction to advertising unit. In this unit, students will analyze media products as well as create their own public service announcement. Students will, throughout the course, work on developing academic writing skills and will be introduced to the fundamentals of essay writing. Students will also review the components of the Literacy Test. An important focus in this course will be on the use of strategies that contribute to effective communication. The course is intended to prepare students for the Grade 10 Academic English course, which leads to university or college preparation courses in Grades 11 and 12.

Prerequisite: None