

Academic Reading Prep I

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Reading for Graduation is designed for 10th grade students who would like assistance in improving their reading skills in order to make educational and career reading more effective and efficient and/or would like reading practice to assist them in passing the Minnesota Comprehensive Reading Assessment required for graduation.

The course requires:

- MAP test
- instruction and practice in word recognition, fluency and vocabulary
- instruction and practice in literal, inferential, interpretive and evaluative comprehension skills
- instruction and practice in literary response with reflection and analysis
- 20 minutes of daily independent reading
- mandatory journal submissions
- student/teacher discussions about reading strategies
- instruction and practice reading various literature genres
- written and oral book talks

Goal: To empower students to become successful, independent adults through teaching and reinforcing essential skills and behaviors.

Success in the course is based upon:

- Daily independent reading
- Journal submissions
- Comprehension exercises
- Reading and test taking strategy application
- Vocabulary mastery
- Book Talks
- Attendance, preparation, showing respect to self, others and property
- Time and task management
- Perseverance and endurance

Materials needed:

- ✓ Pen or pencil
- ✓ Paper
- ✓ Two pocket folder
- ✓ Self-selected reading material
- ✓ CRHS daily planner

General rules: School regulations regarding homework, tardies, truancies, behavior and plagiarism will be followed and enforced as outlined in the student handbooks. Behavior that distracts from teaching or learning may earn an office referral.

Head phones and music will be allowed only if the student has completed assignments on time, stays on task and brings required materials.

Grading

Grades will be posted as assignments are graded.

A 100-93, A- 92-90, B+ 89-87, B 86-83, B- 82-80, C+ 79-77, C 76-73, D+ 69-67, D 66-63, D- 62-60

- 25% Independent reading
- 25% Formative Assignments
- 40% Assessments
- 10% Common Summative Assessment (District Final)

Life lesson: Never compare yourself to anyone else.

Just work on improving yourself.

Reading Criteria – Most students with the following scores have been successful in passing the MCA III Reading Test.

Grade 9 Data Points	Required score	My score		Grade 10 Data points	Required score	My score
MAP	230			MAP	236	
Lexile level	1050			Lexile level	1200	
MCAIII Grade 8	850			MCA III or GRAD	1050	
Gates S or T	38-39 1035			Townsend Press	32/40 80%	
MCA practice passages (3)	75%			MCA practice passages (3)	80%	
				PLAN	17	
Teacher recommendation				Teacher recommendation		

Be encouraged! This is a skills class. You will be challenging yourself to improve your own reading skills. Results will take time and may not be noticed until the end of the course.