ENGLISH 11

English 11 Course Offerings

Course Planning

Choice Decisions

As part of the Ministry of Education's re-defined curriculum, YOU have the choice to decide which English course you will take next year in Grade 11.

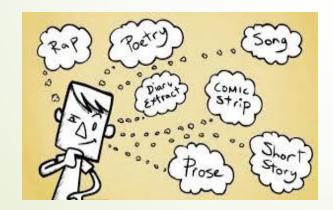
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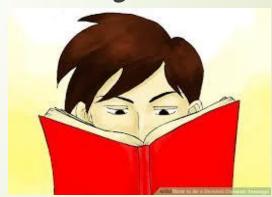
⇒ Composition 11



- Creative Writing 11



Literary Studies 11

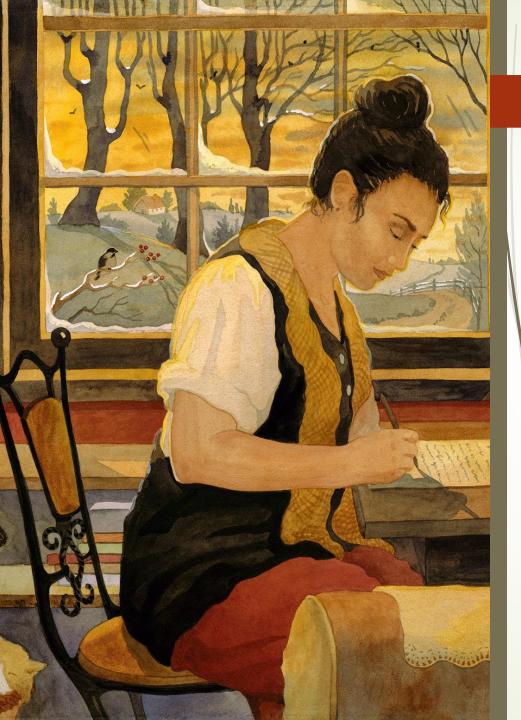


Creative Writing 11

Let's take a closer look at the 3 options:

Composition 11

Literary Studies 11

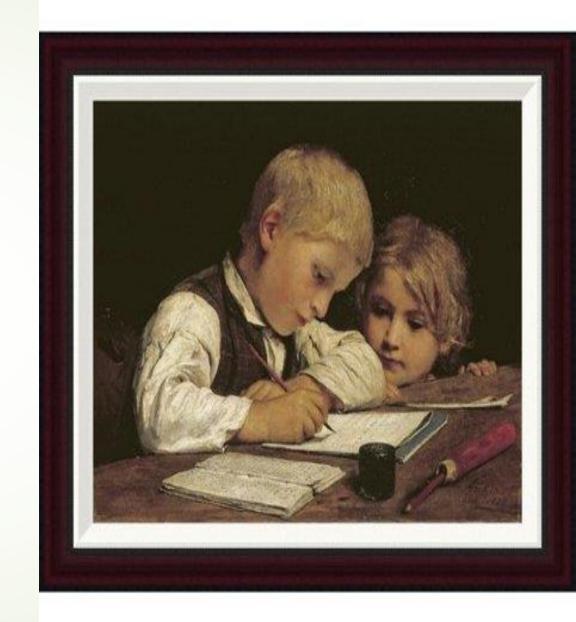


Composition 11

- This course is for students who want to continue to work on developing confidence as writers
- Students will write paragraphs, essays, opinion pieces, articles, reports, letters, blogs, etc.
- Students will be given time to refine, clarify and adjust their written skills by using the writing process
- Students will read compositions by other writers to see the differences in style and genre
- Students will write authentic and original compositions for a variety of purposes and audiences

Creative Writing 11

- This course is for students who love to write.
- Students will be able to use their imagination to think and write creatively on a variety of topics and in a variety of genres.
- Students will still read novels, short stories, poetry and other texts.
- Students will be able to work on building their confidence as writers.
- Students will be able to share their writing with peers and submit work to be published in various journals and competitions.



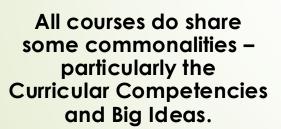


Literary Studies 11

- This course is for students who enjoy reading, critical thinking and analyzing literature.
- Students will read novels, short stories, poetry and a variety of other texts, some of which will be student-selected.
- The course or text selections may be organized by theme and/or genre.
- Students will be able to respond to their readings in a variety of unique ways.
- Students will discuss and write personal reflections, essays and complete individual or group projects and presentations.
- Students will continue to work on improving their writing skills.

Warning!



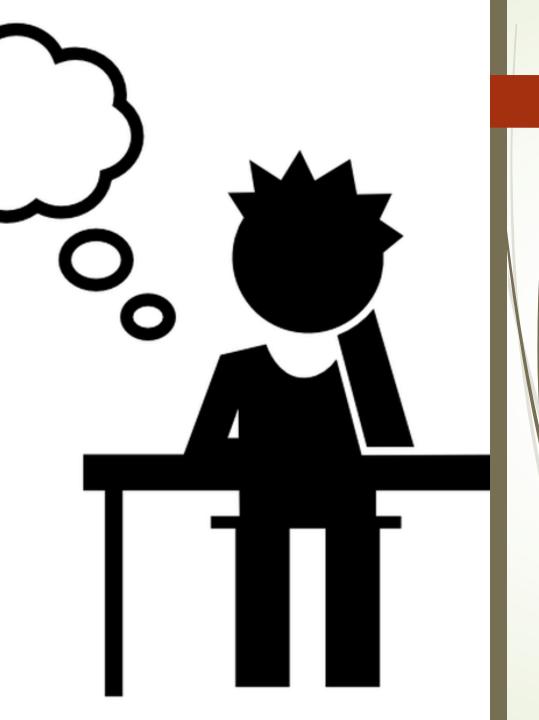




All courses will cover the six core language skills: reading, writing, talking, listening, viewing and representing.



Only the FOCUS of each course is different.



Some Points to Consider ...

- Select the course that appeals to YOU.
- Which English skills do YOU enjoy the most?
- Which English skills do YOU need to improve?

Another way to think about making your choice is to ask yourself, are you a

READER / writer ?



WRITER / reader?



And ...

- Creative Thinker ?
- **■OR**
- Critical Thinker?

Defining Critical and Creative Thinking

CREATIVE THINKING

IS THE THINKING WE DO WHEN WE *GENERATE* IDEAS

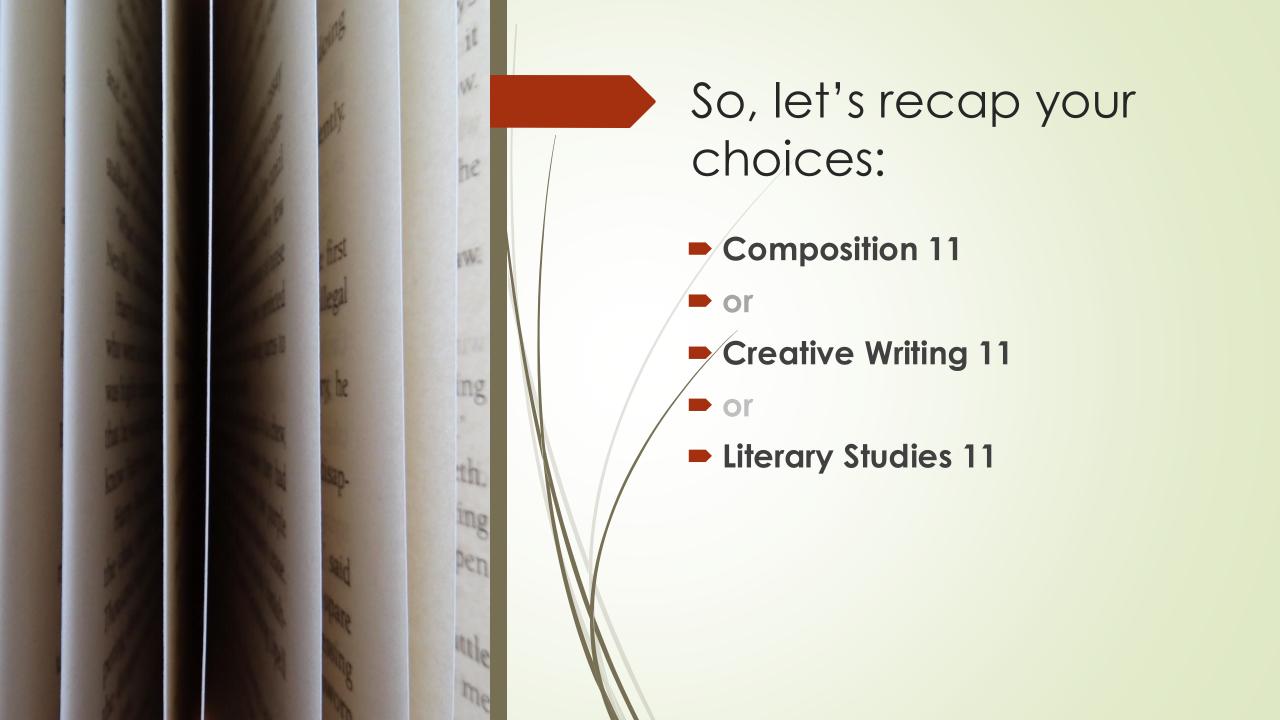
Pose questions
Imagine possibilities
'Brainstorm' solutions
Elaborate
Improvise
Chase inspiration
Speculate
Use intuition
Defer judgements

CRITICAL THINKING

IS THE THINKING WE DO WHEN WE **JUDGE** IDEAS

Pose questions
Consider perspectives
Identify pros and cons
Determine causes
Predict effects
Consider alternatives
Avoid assumptions
Look for proof
Draw conclusions

Source: CriticalAndCreativeThinking.com.au



If You Still Require More Info ...

- Talk to your English teacher
- Talk to your counsellor
- Talk to your parents
- Talk to students taking the courses this year
- Read the Course Planning Booklet



Grade 11 English class will be brilliant!