

Milford Public Schools  
7-12 Language Arts Department's Grading Policy for 2013-14  
(Speech, English, Reading)

What makes up the semester grade?

% of Semester Grade	Type of Assessment	Examples
10%	Practice	Homework/Practice Quizzes
30%	Formative	Informal writing assignment, Informal speeches, Informal performances, Quizzes, Informal oral presentations
50%	Summative	Unit tests, Formal writing assignments, Formal speeches, Projects, Formal oral presentations
10%	Summative	Semester Final Test

Other Grading Factors:

Grading Factor	Allowed?	Explanation
Retaking or Redoing Assignments	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will allow retake or redo assignments after the completion of an additional assignment demonstrating mastery.</li> <li>• Designated formative and designated summative assignments must be retaken or redone if the score is below 70%.</li> <li>• Students may attempt the same assignment only three times.</li> <li>• Students will receive one week and one attempt for optional retakes.</li> <li>• Students will receive two weeks for mandatory retakes before consequences are assigned.</li> <li>• Summative grades may be final as designated by the teacher.</li> <li>• Semester Tests are final</li> </ul>
Acceptance of Late Work	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will accept late work; however, consequences not tied to the grade may be administered (i.e. Saturday school, detention, after school time with the teacher, etc.)</li> <li>• Zeroes will be assigned for missing or incomplete work until the work is completed or excused based on extenuating circumstances.</li> <li>• Incentives: Detention; Saturday school; Restriction from activity/sport participation (eligibility list); Restriction from open campus; Lunchtime detention; Positive reinforcement (i.e. open-campus, doughnuts, pizza, etc.)</li> </ul>
Homework is...		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graded: extended practice of the essential learns.</li> <li>• Ungraded: essentials that prepare students for class (i.e. read a story, bringing a poem to class, etc.)</li> </ul>

\*\*Plagiarism is unacceptable.

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