



What to Expect: Literacy

Literacy is learned mainly through interaction with primary and secondary documents. Herons & Egrets participate in guided analyses of various texts (especially historical texts), including vocabulary when appropriate, decoding figurative language (especially through our poem of the week), and determining author's perspective, purpose, intended audience, historical context, etc. of a given text.



What to Expect: Lit Club

Lit club consists of a selection of literature offerings (various choices) to allow for student choice. The weekly reading assignments are always about 50 pages.

We meet 1 time a week for 45-60 mins of document analysis, accountability quiz (very brief - 5 questions, 5 mins) to make sure people are reading and retaining information.

The majority of time is spent doing an activity related to the reading followed by group discussion/analysis. We also sometimes include a writing prompt to practice skills we have been studying.



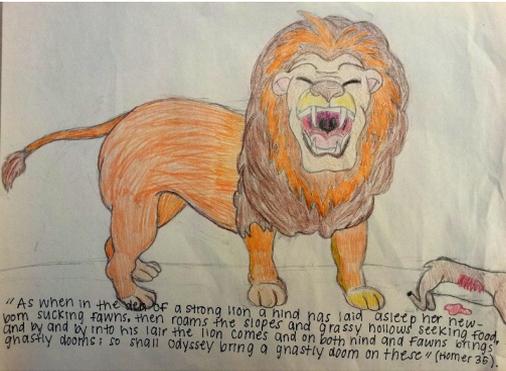
Essential Skills

Literacy

- Read and comprehend complex literature
- Consider historical context, author, and audience in analyses
- Create their own examples of a literary device or skill

Lit Club

- Read and comprehend complex literature
- Retain the story thread and major plot points
- Look past the story/plot with an eye to analysis, beyond appreciation.



How We Prepare Students

Literacy: We provide context for previously unseen texts, they practice determining themes from a text they are reading. They practice writing examples of what they have studied, such as synesthesia and theme so that they don't only identify it but can create their own.

Lit Club: They learn to decode symbols, pull out themes, identify different types of conflict and cite examples of them. They can retain information about their reading, they can pace themselves to complete a chunk of reading on time.

EVERY DAY
IS A GOOD
DAY TO
LEARN.



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