English I introduces students to a variety of literary genres, writing forms, and communication skills. Through reading, writing, speaking, and listening, students will develop analytical thinking, vocabulary, grammar, and composition abilities. The course emphasizes critical reading of literature and nonfiction, clear written expression, and strong oral communication.

Course Goals

By the end of the year, students will be able to:

- 1. Read, analyze, and interpret literature from various cultures and time periods.
- 2. Write coherent essays using proper grammar, structure, and style.
- 3. Conduct short research projects using credible sources and MLA formatting.
- 4. Build vocabulary and use context clues effectively.
- 5. Deliver oral presentations and participate in discussions with respect and confidence.
- 6. Demonstrate mastery of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for English I (or applicable state standards).

Course Outcomes

By the end of English I, students will have:

- Improved reading comprehension and analysis skills.
- Mastered key writing genres for high school and beyond.
- Built a strong foundation for English II, STAAR EOC exams, and college readiness.