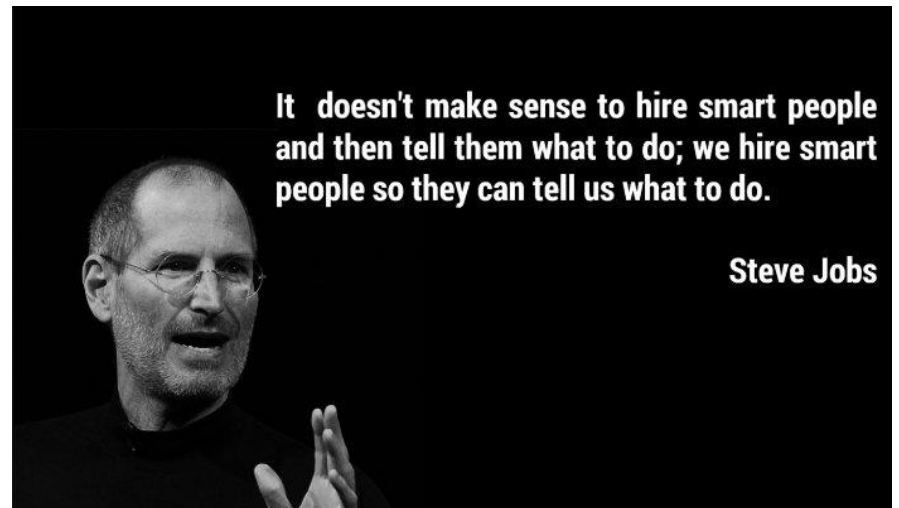




English 9 H

Qualities needed in 9H English

- ▶ A **passion** for reading
- ▶ A **desire** and **ability** to be pushed
- ▶ A **talent** for writing

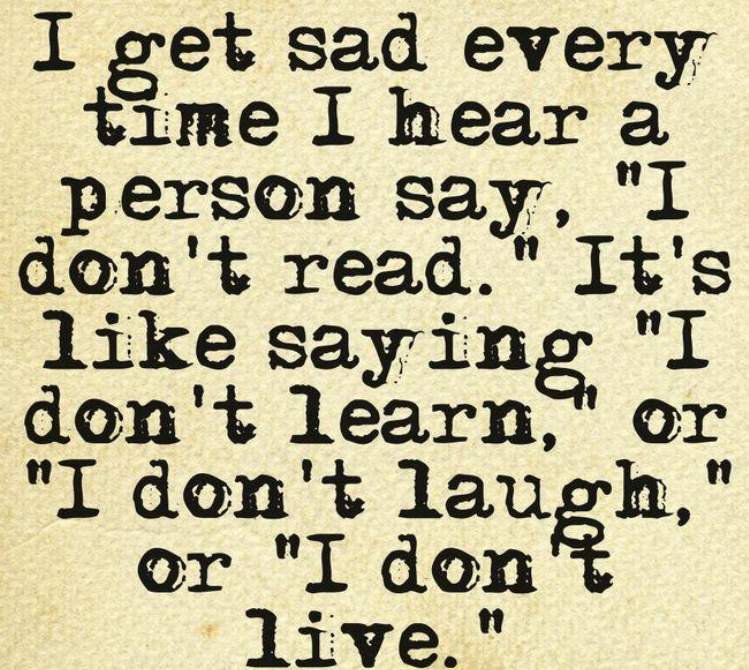


High Expectations: Reading

The expectations for reading and the complexity of text **will be higher** than you encountered in previous years.

This is not a good fit for:

- ▶ The reluctant reader
- ▶ The struggling reader
- ▶ The “skim” reader

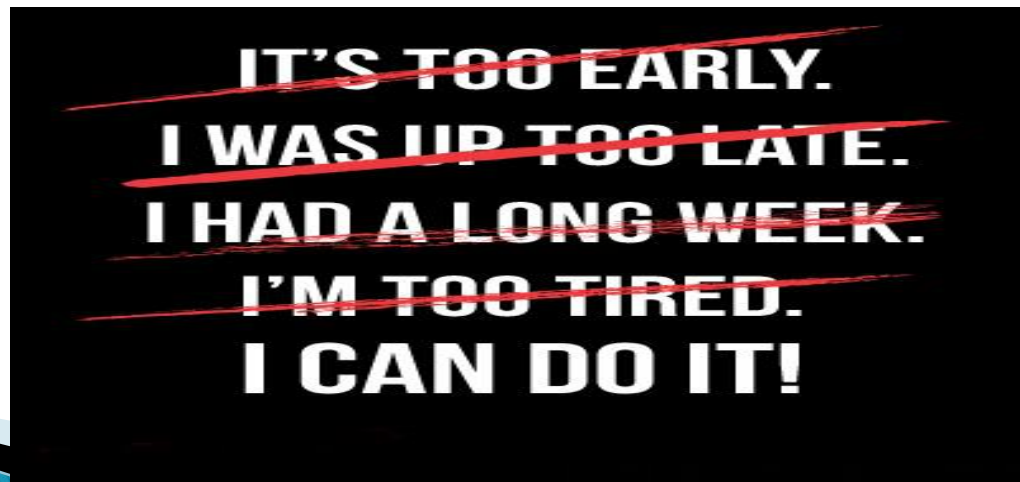


I get sad every
time I hear a
person say, "I
don't read." It's
like saying "I
don't learn," or
"I don't laugh,"
or "I don't
live."

Reading: Additional Expectations

We expect the students at this level:

- ▶ to have the **ability** and the **desire** to **think deeply** about literature and informational texts
- ▶ to be **self-motivated** and **independent** readers (even with text that is not to their personal liking)



Writing: High Expectations

Students need to **come to this class** with **strong** writing skills and a **willingness** to work at the craft of writing.

This is not a place for:

- ▶ A reluctant writer
- ▶ A struggling writer
- ▶ The “last minute” writer



High Expectations: Public Speaking

We have expectations for:

- ▶ **Polished** presentations
- ▶ A willingness to “**stretch**” and **take chances**
- ▶ A number of solo and group presentations requiring **at-home preparation**



The Independent Worker



9H English students will be:

- ▶ Reading **large sections** of novels or plays
- ▶ Reading **challenging** nonfiction selections
- ▶ Following **strict timelines** for projects
- ▶ Putting in **extra time** to prepare



Final Thoughts

Think about the required skills and mind-set needed for the class (as mentioned in the previous slides). **Decide** if you feel **ready for** the **challenges** of such a course. If you are **up to the task** and ready to work, the **class will be very rewarding**.

