

**Language Arts- 6th**  
**2010-2011**

**Course description:**

Grade six Language Arts aims to build and extend the skills of Spelling, Reading, Writing as well as Listening and Speaking. In Spelling, students will improve both Spelling and Grammar by undertaking practice exercises. Reading class will involve the students reading a variety of literary genres as well as doing independent reading projects. In writing class, students follow the 6+1 Traits writing program and will keep a portfolio of their work. The students are encouraged to be creative while at the same time demonstrating sound grammar and story structure.

**Objectives:**

- Students will develop proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening.
- Students will develop critical thinking skills.
- Students will develop competency in research skills.
- Students will read for pleasure.
- Students will become proficient oral speakers

**Content:**

- Spelling
- Language and grammar.
- Reading - the set novels include:
  1. Tuck Everlasting
  2. Rats of NIMH
  3. Old Yeller
  4. Greek Myths
  5. Independent reading projects
- Writing: The 6+ 1 Traits process will be used
- Oral presentations, public speaking, class discussions.
- Roleplay and performances

**Assessment:**

This will be mostly performance assessment but will also include quiz, test, project and scoring rubrics.