

8th Grade Study Guide
3rd Trimester Final Exam

I. Composition (approx. 30%)

- A. Structure an essay
- B. Types of essays/compositions
 - 1. Letters (business vs. friendly)
 - 2. Expository
 - 3. Narrative
 - 4. Five paragraph
 - 5. Research paper
- C. MLA
 - 1. Formatting
 - 2. In-text citations
 - 3. Bibliographic citations
 - 4. Outline
 - 5. Note cards
 - 6. Titles: italics vs quotations
- D. Questions from research presentations

II. Literature (approx. 30%)

- A. Plot
- B. Rising Action
- C. Climax
- D. Falling Action
- E. Conflict
- F. Character
- G. Characterization
- H. Protagonist
- I. Antagonist
- J. Main vs. minor
- K. Theme
- L. Setting
- M. Irony
- N. Imagery
- O. Satire
- P. Anecdote
- Q. Malapropism
- R. Allusion
- S. Allegory
- T. Figurative language
- U. Symbolism
- V. Personification

IV. Dewey Decimal System (approx. 10%)

V. Short Stories (approx. 15%)

- A. Titles of stories
- B. Authors
- C. Countries

VI. Novels (approx. 15%)

- A. Authors of novels read in class this year
- B. Major characters, themes and plot points from this year's novels