

Class Title: Creative Writing

Category: Communication

Grades: 6-12

Format: Online / Google Classroom

Note: This will be a different Google Classroom than is required by your mentor, but works in a similar fashion. The class CODE will be sent to your email address the week before class starts.

Day and Time of the Week: Once a Week / Asynchronous for 8 weeks

**Information and Assignments will be posted on Monday mornings and you will have a week to complete each task/assignment when it works best for you as long as you keep up with deadlines.*

FIRST WEEK: January 20th

LAST WEEK: March 10th

Total Hours Required: 16 (2 hours each week for 8 weeks)

Additional Time: Possibly extra time working and writing as needed.

Location: Online / Google Classroom

Instructor: Mark Ring

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Qualifications: Michigan Teacher Certification / Grades 6-12 / English, Film and Drama

Course Description: This class will focus on developing your abilities in regards to creative writing. You will try different styles of writing using various prompts and fun writing exercises.

Weekly Schedule

Week 1: Welcome and About the Author (You)

Week 2: Vignettes

Week 3: Vignettes

Week 4: Flash Fiction / Short Stories

Week 5: Flash Fiction / Short Stories

Week 6: Playwriting: Monologues

Week 7: Playwriting: Dialogue

Week 8: Final Play Due

**Vignette: In literary terms, a vignette is a short, descriptive passage that captures a moment in time.*

Hours: This class requires at least 2 hours worth of work each week for 8 Weeks (16 hours). It might be more depending on how invested you are in the class and what you are specifically trying to accomplish with each piece.

Assessment and Expectations

Students will be assessed on their level of participation in the class each week as well as meeting the writing requirements of the assignments that are given. They should be submitting work each week and responding to the instructor's comments.

Class Policies: It is expected that you are participating each week and trying every writing exercise. Assignments will be posted on a weekly basis. If you miss a week, it is expected that you will make up the assignment ASAP unless it is an emergency type of situation.