



**Ephrata High School
Course Syllabus
Techniques of Reading
1070**



I. Course Description

Techniques of Reading 0.5 Credit (Semester 1) Grades 11, 12

Techniques of Reading is a course designed for students who wish to sharpen their reading skills. Students will learn new vocabulary, work to better comprehend what they read, see inferences, and draw conclusions about the author's point of view. They will also learn how to apply proper study skills to all their classes.

II. Materials & Equipment

Ten Steps to Advancing College Reading Skills
Critical Reading and Reasoning
A Separate Peace
Julius Caesar

III. Course Goals & Objectives

Students will be able to:

- determine a word's meaning from four types of context clues.
- answer questions about facts presented in a passage.
- make a diagram from a written description of a geometrical figure.
- comprehend facts and relationships in various selections of text material.
- identify one or more reasons and consequences stated in a written description.
- identify one or more premises and a conclusion stated in a written description.

IV. Course Topics (Summary Outline)

- Techniques of Reading
1. Context Clues
 2. Main Ideas
 3. Supporting Details
 4. Inferences
 5. Purpose and Tone
 6. Fact vs. Opinion
 7. A Separate Peace
 8. Julius Caesar
 9. Vocabulary
 10. Reading For Growth

V. Assignments & Grading

Tests – Objective and essay
Quizzes
Oral Presentations
Journal Reflections
Homework
Journal reflections
Essays/Compositions
Culminating Activities