



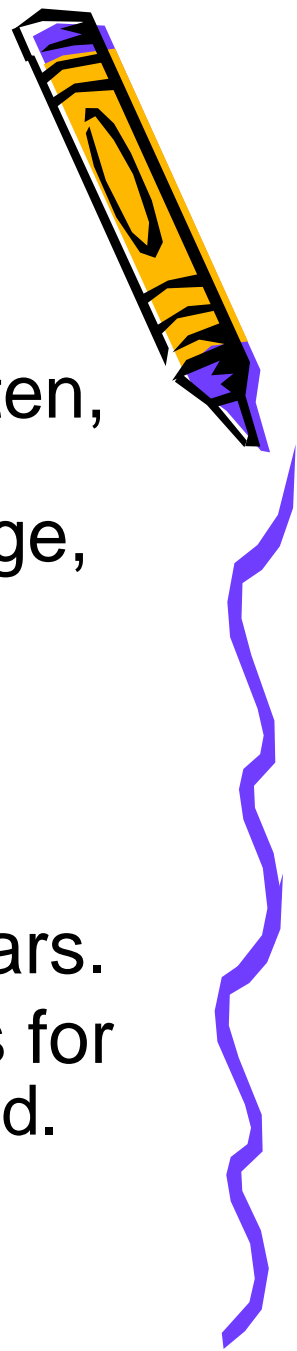
Mrs. Armas' Sixth-
Grade Class
Welcome!

Welcome to Sixth Grade!

- I will introduce you to sixth grade and to our classroom.
- If you have any questions during my presentation, please raise your hand and I will call on you.



All About Me



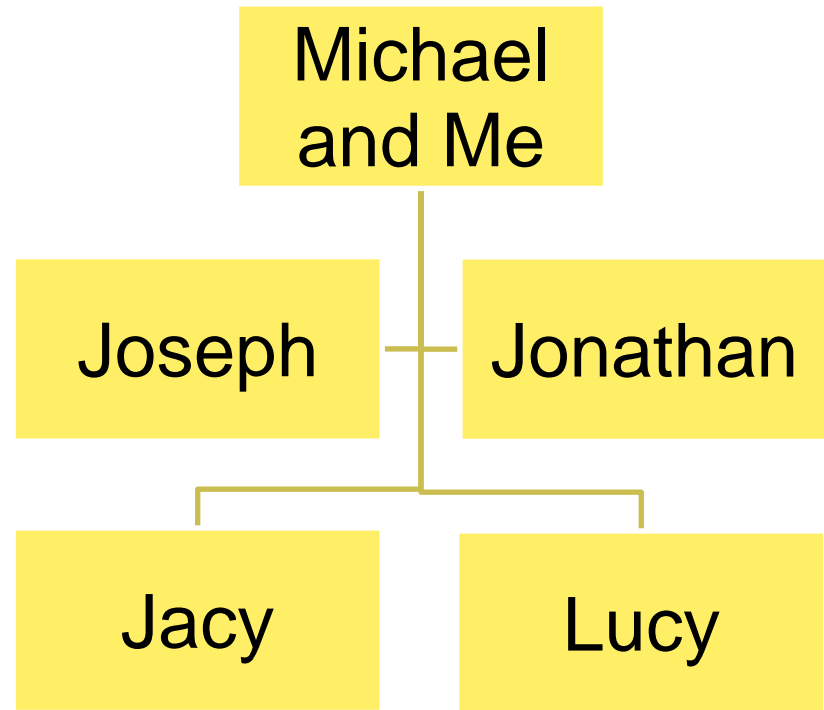
- My background
 - I grew up in Azusa.
 - I attended Dalton School for Kindergarten, SFR for elementary and middle school, Bishop Amat High School, Citrus College, Cal State Fullerton, and University of Phoenix at Diamond Bar.
- My experience
 - This is my second year teaching sixth.
 - I taught high school dance for three years.
 - I was a substitute teacher for five years for Pasadena, Temple City and Azusa Unified.



My Family



- My husband
 - Michael
- My children
 - son, Joseph
 - son, Jonathan
- Our pets
 - dog, Jacy
 - fish, Lucy



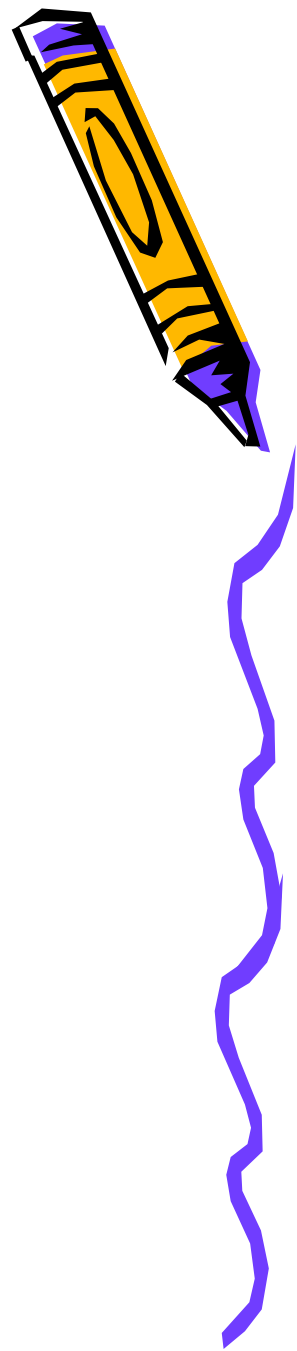
My Goals



- To give your child the academic and social skills he/she needs to progress to seventh grade.
- To provide a supportive, enriching, and fun classroom environment.
- To help each student make new friends and discover new interests.



Classroom Community

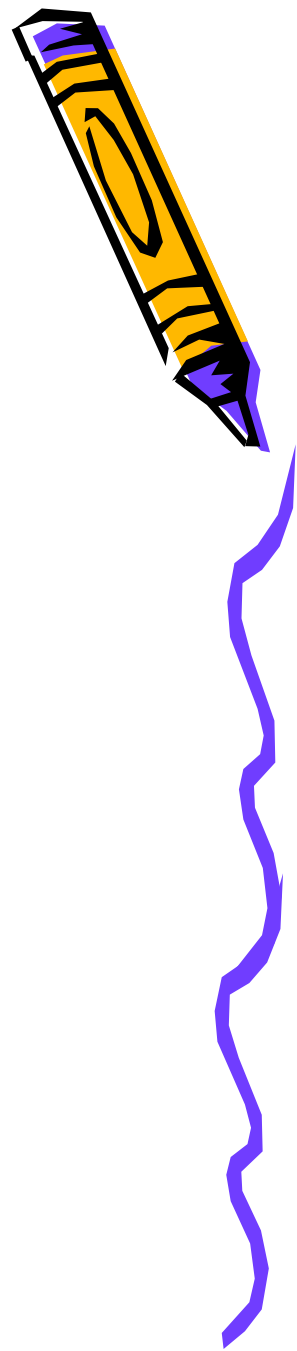


- Our classroom is a community. In our community, we have rules to help us get along with each other.
- Our class rules are:
 - Be respectful and responsible.
 - Be organized and follow directions.
 - Be on time.
 - Be prepared.



Daily Classroom Schedule

- The subjects we cover during sixth grade are:
 - Spelling
 - Language Arts
 - Math (Mr. Barrientos)
 - Social studies (Mrs. Lennon)
 - Religion
 - Vocabulary
 - Literature
 - Science



Daily Classroom Schedule continued...

- Mondays

- Computers with Mrs. Grigolla and Library with Mrs. Ball
- Flash drive



- Tuesdays

- Physical Education with Coach Denise
- PE uniform



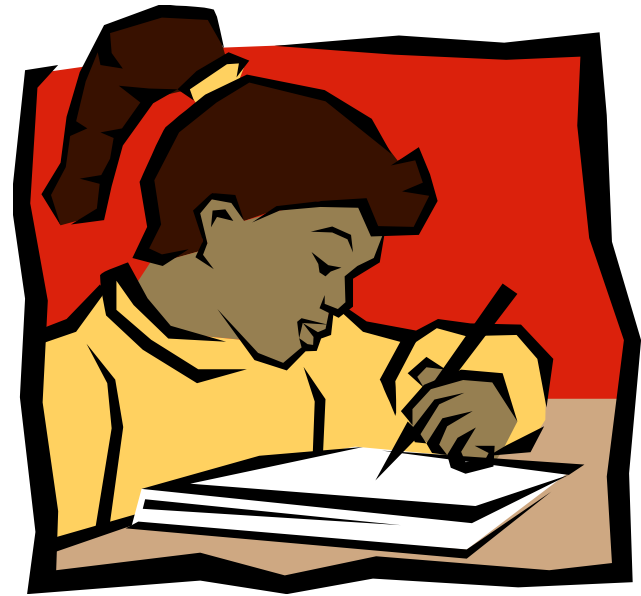
- Thursdays

- Music with Miss Amelia Acosta



Spelling

- Sixth grade spelling includes a weekly spelling packet, home spelling help, spelling games, spelling worksheets, and spelling tests.

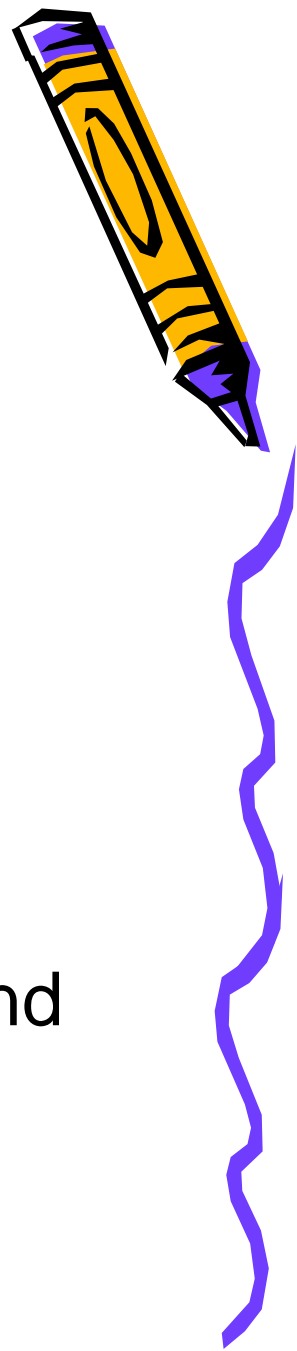


Language Arts

- Book:
 - Prentice Hall Writing and Grammar
- Concepts:
 - Writing
 - Grammar
 - Academic and Workplace Skills



Language Arts - Writing



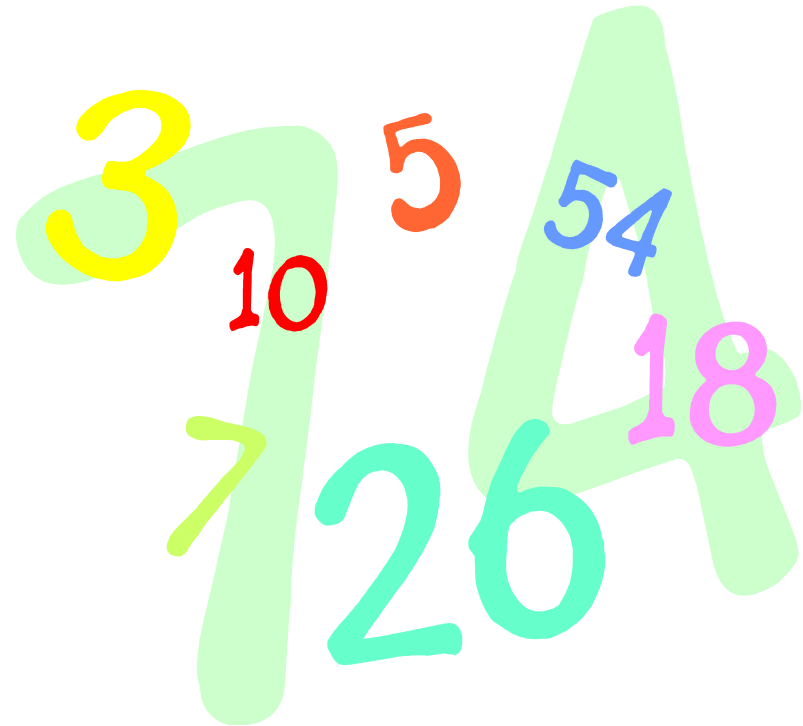
- Narrative, Descriptive, Persuasive, Expository, and Writing a Research Report
- Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics
- For interactive activities and games
 - PHSchool.com codes
 - eak-6001 (code) writing rubrics and writing samples
 - eak-6002 (code) interactive grammar exercises



Math



- Math is taught by Mr. Barrientos in seventh grade.



Social Studies

- Social Studies is taught by Mrs. Lennon in eighth grade.



Religion

- There are five units which consist of four chapters in each.
- Students and parents alike may find many activities for individual and family time on the website:

www.blestarewe.com



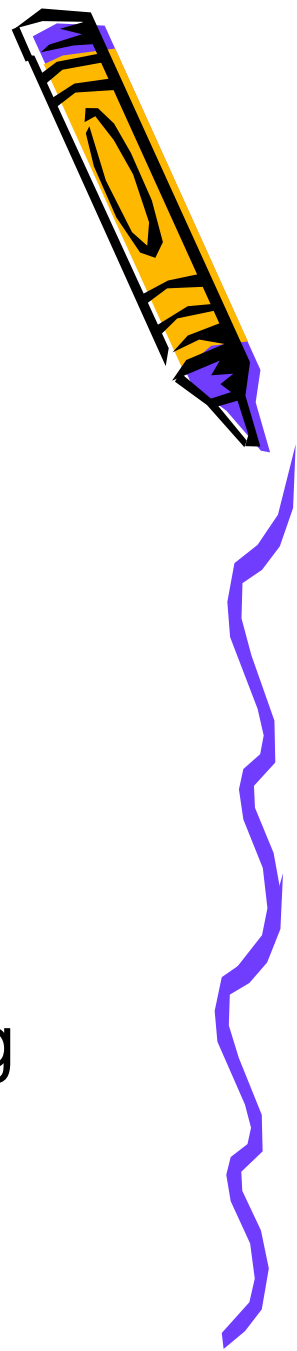
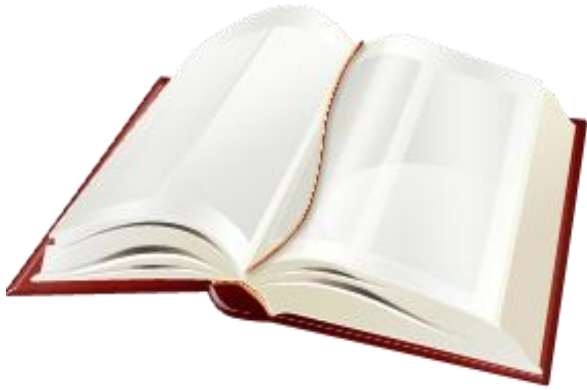
Vocabulary

- Sixth grade vocabulary includes a vocabulary packet for each unit, crossword puzzles, vocabulary games, vocabulary practice in workbook, and vocabulary tests.



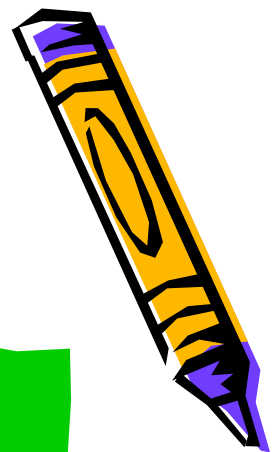
Literature

- Students will read and analyze poems, passages, short stories, and plays. Students will learn about many concepts, such as facts, opinions, metaphors, similes, drawing conclusions, sequencing events in a story, and cause and effect.



Science

- Earth Science
- There are five units:
 - Plate Tectonics and Earth Structure
 - Shaping Earth's Surface
 - Energy
 - Ecology
 - Resources

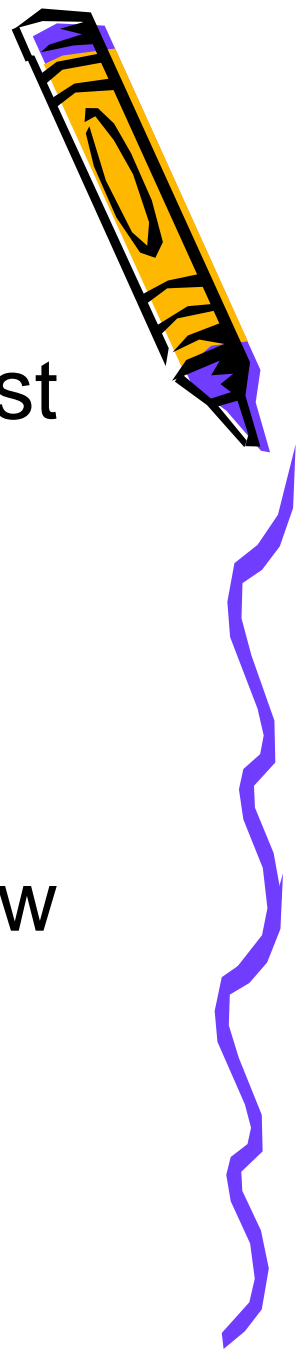


Textbooks

- Textbooks are available for you to review. Students have workbooks for Language Arts, and Vocabulary.



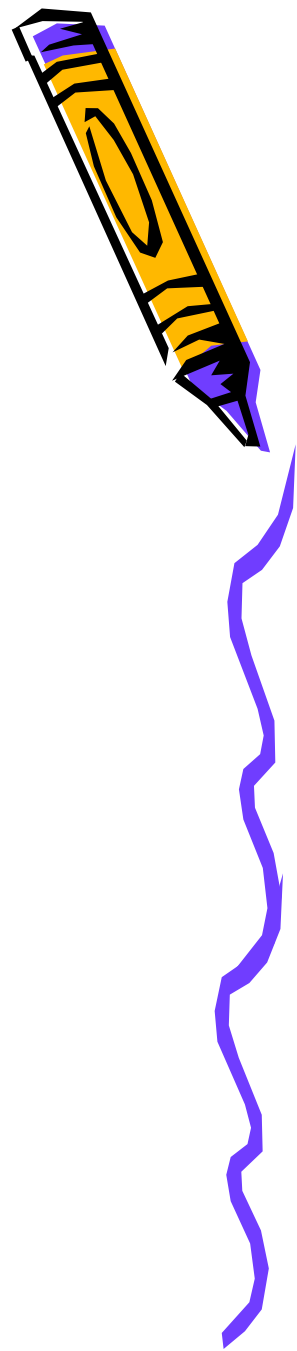
Grading Policy



- The Archdiocese of Los Angeles standards are available for your review.
- Report cards will be given after every quarter.
- I will do my best to provide monthly grade reports to help students understand how they are progressing in our class.



Grading Policy cont'd...

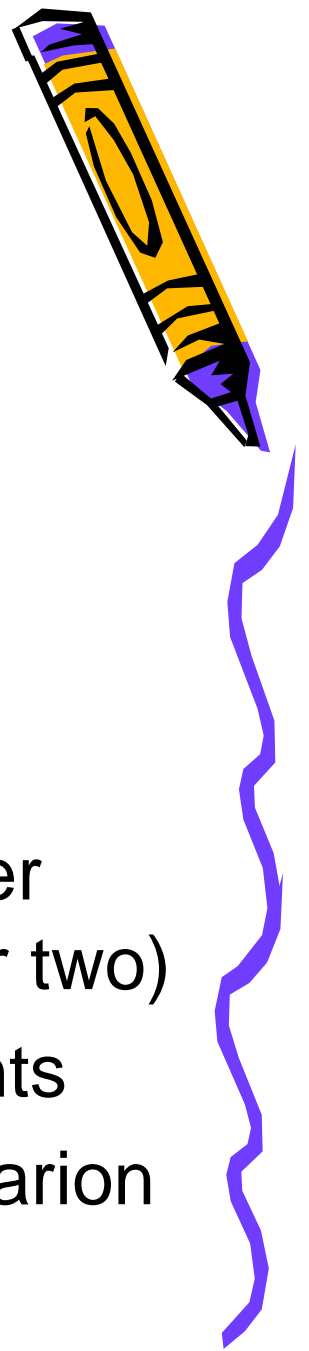


- The following percentages on assignments will reflect the following letter grades and G.P.A.:

A	93-100	4.0-3.6
B+	90-92	3.5-3.3
B	87-89	3.2-3.0
B-	85-86	2.9-2.6
C+	80-84	2.5-2.3
C	75-79	2.2-2.0
C-	70-74	1.9-1.6
D	65-69	1.5-1.0
F	64 Below	



Assessments



- Formal assessments:
 - ITBS – Iowa Test of Basic Skills
 - <http://www.education.uiowa.edu/itp/itbs/>
- Classroom assessments
 - Writing
 - Reading Comprehension
 - All subjects (after every chapter or two)
 - Oral assessments
 - Teacher observation



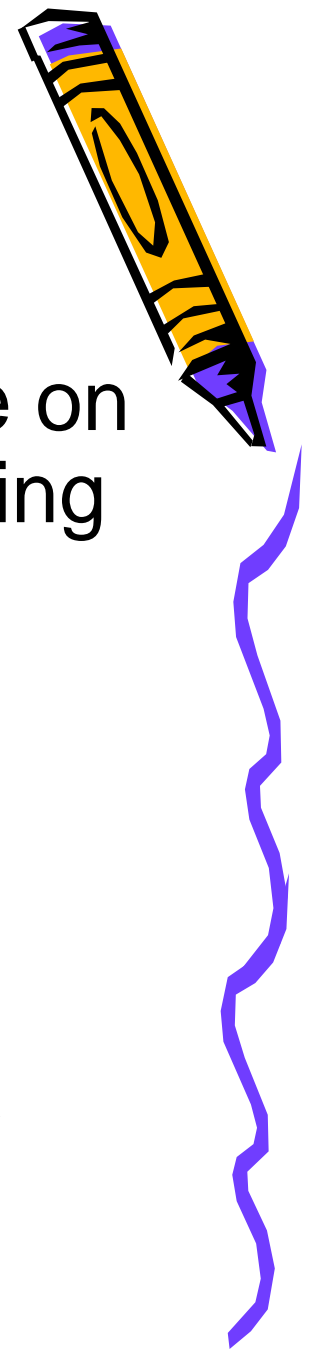
Homework



- I will assign approximately 1- 2 hours of homework every night. This includes 20 minutes of reading.
- Spelling packets and reading logs are due on Friday morning.
- Binder Checks are due Monday morning.
- Homework House Detention will be held every Thursday for students who need to make up missing or incomplete assignments.



Tardiness



- School starts at 8:00 A.M. Please be on time. Late students disrupt the morning routine.
- If you aren't in the classroom by the time the second bell rings, please check in at the school office before coming to class.
- 1 Tardy = -5 points on Binder Check



Field Trips



- We have lots of fun field trips planned for this year!
 - We will attend Medieval Times in Buena Park as part as our Social Studies and Religion curriculum in December.
 - We will visit Regency Theatre as a school to watch a movie for Student Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools Week in February.
 - We plan on attending one more fieldtrip to be announced in April.



Let's Have a Great Year!

