

English IV Lesson Plans

April 27-May 1, 2020

Monday, April 27, 2020

1. Bellwork: do the “Intermediate Paragraph Correction #10”.
2. This week you will use the speech by Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain during World War II, to do all your assignments. Today’s assignment is to look up the following words and provide their definitions. Use each word in an original sentence, and cite the source you used for the definition.
 - a. Euphoria
 - b. Menace
 - c. Comrades
 - d. Odious
 - e. Subjugated
3. Read for 20 minutes today or free write in your journal.

Tuesday, April 28, 2020

1. Bellwork: answer the prompt below.
Prompt: What is the greatest challenge your generation faces? Explain your answer in at least a paragraph.
2. Read Winston Churchill’s speech today and use your definitions from yesterday to understand meaning. Look up any other words you don’t know or understand. Things you should know before you read the speech are:
 - a. Winston Churchill was Prime Minister of England. That position is similar to our President here in the USA.
 - b. The House of Commons is an elected group of men (during the war it was all men) similar to our House of Representatives.
 - c. England is an island, and Churchill refers to it as “our Island home”.
3. The evacuation of Dunkirk is one of the most fascinating stories. You are encouraged, on your own, to look up some information about what happened. The citizens of England accomplished a heroic and unbelievable task that day in May 1940. There are many movies about it too.

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

1. Bellwork: do the “Intermediate Paragraph Correction #11”.
2. Answer the following questions about the speech you read yesterday. Use complete thoughts and complete sentences.
 - a. Anaphora is a rhetorical device that is the repetition of a word or phrase. What words or phrases does Churchill use? What is the effect the repetition has on the audience?
 - b. Pathos is when a speaker uses emotion. Do you think Churchill appealed to people’s emotions? Quote a line(s) that you think stirs emotion. Explain why you chose that line(s).

- c. What is Churchill's goal with this speech? What did he want the audience to feel when they heard it? Did he succeed?
- d. When Churchill uses the word "we", what effect does it have on an audience?
3. Do some journal writing today. Our country and our world is in crisis right now. What do you think about the efforts the federal, state, and municipal governments are asking of us right now? What are your responsibilities as a citizen of the USA and as a global citizen?

Thursday, April 30, 2020

1. Bellwork: answer the prompt below.
Prompt: What is your spirit animal? Describe how you relate to it.
2. Churchill's speech was very patriotic, and it was about never giving up. Never. Today as an assignment, you will research a song that has the same theme of never giving up, to continue to fight, and a song about an important issue. The song does not have to be patriotic. You should find a video or audio clip of the song you choose and listen/watch it. You will provide the following about the song you choose:
 - a. The name of the song
 - b. Who wrote the music?
 - c. Who wrote the lyrics?
 - d. When was it written?
 - e. Who is performing the version you listened to?
 - f. What event is the song referring to?
 - g. What action does the song call for the audience to do?
3. Read for at least 20 minutes today.

Friday, May 1, 2020

1. Bellwork: do the "Intermediate Paragraph Correction #12".
2. Today you should find a patriotic speech. It does not have to be an American speech. It can be from any time period or any place in the world. As an assignment, identify these qualities of the speech:
 - a. Who wrote the speech?
 - b. When was the speech delivered?
 - c. Who was the audience?
 - d. What was the issue or crisis the speech was addressing?
3. Have a great weekend. Try to enjoy nature, do something you enjoy, and maybe read a little bit. Stay safe!

Winston Churchill

June 4, 1940 Speech to the House of Commons

On May 26, "Operation Dynamo"—the evacuation from Dunkirk began. It was hoped that 45,000 men might be evacuated; in the event, over 338,000 Allied troops reached England, including 26,000 French soldiers. On June 4, Churchill reported to the House of Commons, seeking to check the mood of national euphoria and relief at the unexpected deliverance, and to make a clear appeal to the United States (he references the U.S.A. with the phrase "the New World"). Remember that the United States did not enter the war until December 7, 1941, and England would have to wait 18 more months before the United States joined with the Allies to save Europe from the Nazi and Axis world domination. Here is the last paragraph of that speech.

"...I have, myself, full confidence that if all do their duty, if nothing is neglected, and if the best arrangements are made, as they are being made, we shall prove ourselves once again able to defend our Island home, to ride out the storm of war, and to outlive the menace of tyranny, if necessary for years, if necessary alone. At any rate, that is what we are going to try to do. That is the resolve of His Majesty's Government—every man of them. That is the will of Parliament and the nation. The British Empire and the French Republic, linked together in their cause and in their need, will defend to the death their native soil, aiding each other like good comrades to the utmost of their strength. Even though large tracts of Europe and many old and famous States have fallen or may fall into the grip of the Gestapo and all the odious apparatus of Nazi rule, we shall not flag or fail. We shall go on to the end, we shall fight in France, we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our Island, whatever the cost may be, we shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender, and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this Island or a large part of it were subjugated and starving, then our Empire beyond the seas, armed and guarded by the British Fleet, would carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the New World, with all its power and might, steps forth to the rescue and the liberation of the old."

The above information, and the entire speech, can be found on the website www.winstonchurchill.org if you would like to explore more about Churchill.