

**PARENT MASTERY GUIDE
ENGLISH 1**

FIRST TERM

SECOND TERM

During the first nine weeks of English I, the student will be focusing on the following skills and concepts:

- β The students will practice recognizing and applying the eight parts of speech (Noun, pronoun, adjective, adverb, preposition, conjunctions, interjections, verbs).
- β The student will practice grammatically correct English to explain various problems provided by the instructor.
- β The student will practice recognizing and developing complete sentences, while editing and revising paragraphs.
- β The student will practice recognizing literary components within a short story including: main idea, character development and motivation, point of view, and the elements of the plot development.
- β Students will increase vocabulary skills.
- β Students will practice and improve public speaking skills.
- β Students will practice following oral directions.

- β The student will practice writing skills and strategies for various types of writing. (journal , essays, creative writing)
- β The student will read selections from short stories, poems, plays, news articles, essays and use graphic organizers - such as diagrams and charts - to practice recognition of examples of theme, inferences, allusions, cause and effect, irony, symbolism, and characterization. Emphasis will be placed on interpretation, literal meaning, and dialect.
- β The student will make use of various media sources such as newspapers, electronic sources, books, and magazines to find example of how bias and validity impact daily life.