

Skills for Living – Week 1

April 6 – April 10, 2020 -- Due April 13 by 9:00 AM

Essential Question: How do I get into college?

Learning Targets: We are learning about the ACT and SAT so that we can be prepared when we actually take the tests.

We are learning to express ourselves in writing on a college application so that we will stand out to the admissions committee.

Success Criteria: I can reflect on my performance on the ACT English Test.

I can demonstrate my math skills on the ACT Math Test.

I can reflect on my performance on the ACT Math Test.

I can express myself in writing on a college application.

YOUR ASSIGNMENTS (please read to the end before you start working!):

1) Read the [Important Information document](#) for new and important info about Distance Learning specific to our class.

2) Weekly Writing Prompt: How the heck are you??

- How have you been lately?
- How have you been keeping busy at home?
- Are you feeling okay, physically/mentally/emotionally?
- Do you have any questions or concerns for me about distance learning or anything else?

Respond to EVERY QUESTION in either an email to me (smitha@luhsd.net); Google Doc shared with me; Word Document emailed to me; or write your answers on a piece of paper (in [cursive!](#)), take a good picture, and email it to me or share it with me on the Remind.

3) ACT English Test reflection

- How was class on Friday, March 13, when you had the sub?
- You took the ACT English test that day; what did you think of the test?
 - Was it easy for you, or did you find it difficult?
 - Did anything about it surprise you?

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4) ACT Math Test

- First, read the Mathematics section (**pages 7-8**) of the article entitled [Preparing for the ACT® Test](#).
- Then, [click here](#) to access the ACT Math test. You do not need to print it.
 - Only do #1-16.
 - You may use a calculator, and you will probably need scratch paper to show your work.
 - You may record your answers on a piece of binder paper, on a Google Doc, on a Word Document, or in an email to me.
 - Set a timer for **16 minutes** and begin the test. Make sure you read the directions at the top of the page!
 - Do your best to answer all the questions in 16 minutes, but if you can't, remember to guess on the ones you don't know! **DON'T LEAVE ANY ANSWERS BLANK!** There is no penalty for wrong answers on the ACT, so if you are running out of time, **GUESS!**
- Once you have finished the Math test, correct your answers with the [ACT Math Test answer key](#).
 - I expect to see evidence that you corrected your work.
 - For example, if you wrote your answers on paper, make a mark next to the questions you got wrong. You do not have to fix your work or erase your original answer; just mark it so that I know you missed that one.
 - If you wrote your answers in a Google Doc, as another example, make a note next to the ones you got wrong. Again, don't change your original answers, just mark the ones you got wrong.
 - If you didn't get any questions wrong—great job! Write that somewhere on your paper/document.
 - If you turn in just your answers with no evidence that you corrected your test, **you will not get full credit.**
- After you correct your work, answer the following questions:
 - What did you think of the ACT Math test?
 - Was it easy for you, or did you find it difficult?
 - Did anything about it surprise you?

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5) Personal Insight Question: Rough draft (if not already finished)

- This was assigned a long time ago, but many of you still haven't submitted your work. I will still accept this assignment.

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- [Here](#) is the list of Personal Insight Questions; pick ONE and write between 100 and 350 words about it into a Google Doc. When you are finished, share it with me at smitha@luhsd.net (set it so that I have permission to EDIT or SUGGEST on your document), and I will make comments.
- If you didn't submit your PIQ before break, do so now and STOP HERE. DO NOT go on to #6 below if you have not yet received comments from me on your Google Doc.

6) Personal Insight Question: Final draft

- If you submitted your PIQ as a Google Doc before break—good job, thank you!
- Your next step is to review my comments and suggestions on your Google Doc. Accept or reject my suggestions as you see fit, resolve the comments, and then follow [these](#) directions on how to submit your final draft as a PDF.

**** Please combine your assignments into as few emails as possible. That is, try not to send me three separate emails for your weekly writing prompt response, your ACT English Test reflection, and your ACT Math Test reflection. Combine these three assignments into one email. ****