

# Course Syllabus for: Biology 10

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## What is Biology?

Biology is for 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and is designed to help students learn about classification and organization, patterns of growth, development and reproduction of plants, animals, fungus, protists, bacteria, viruses and humans and genetics. There are some labs, several using microscopes, some outside activities (bird watching, plant identification) and perhaps dissection (fetal pigs/frogs/fish).

## Textbook?

Our base textbook will be the AGS Biology textbook (ISBN 0-7854-3613-8), AGS web site: [www.agsnet.com](http://www.agsnet.com). Throughout the course we will use many books as sources. A student work book will also be printed out for each chapter.

## What work will be required of students?

As part of their grade students will develop **technical writing** skills by writing Article Reviews of classroom articles or of articles that they bring in.

Work required of students:

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| • Tests, Quizzes                          | <b>60 % of grade</b> |
| • Lesson Reviews and Workbook assignments | <b>20 % of grade</b> |
| • Lab reports                             | <b>10 % of grade</b> |
| • Misc handouts/packets                   | <b>10 % of grade</b> |

Grading:

A= performance above grade level	A = 90-100%,
B= performance at or near grade level	B = 80-89 %
C= performance at grade level	C = 70-79%
D= performance below grade level	D = 60-69 %

Classroom expectations:

1. Use appropriate language at all times.
2. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself. No hats or electronic devices!
3. When given, follow directions the first time.
4. Many labs/demo's can be dangerous, so students **MUST** follow Directions and use safe behavior at all times. Those who engage in dangerous behavior will be asked to leave and will not be allowed to return!