

## QUIZ AND TEST POLICIES EIGHTH GRADE AMERICAN HISTORY – RUTKOWSKI

### Quizzes – Practice for the unit tests (NO STUDY TOOL REQUIRED)

- Quizzes are considered practice for the unit tests.
  - Initially, quizzes will be graded and recorded in MISTAR so that students and parents may be aware of progress.
  - Once the unit test is given, quiz scores will be listed as “non-graded” in MISTAR. While the scores will still be visible, they will no longer be counted/calculated in the students’ grades.
- Students may retake the practice quizzes up until the day before the unit test.
- Students are not required to make a study tool for quiz retakes but are encouraged to review materials before retaking.
- Retakes are done only at the beginning of class.
- Students are not encouraged to use target practice quizzes as their only study tools for tests. Test questions will not be the same as quiz questions.

### Tests (YOU MUST MAKE A STUDY TOOL IN ORDER TO DO A RETAKE)

- Unit tests are divided into sections called learning targets. Each learning target will have 3-8 questions on the test and each target will be recorded separately in MISTAR with a number and short description. (For example, Unit 1.1 Experiences, Unit 1.2 Ideas, Unit 1.3 Interactions, etc.)
- Students may retake any of the learning targets that they do not do well on.
- In order to do a retake, a study tool must be made for each learning target retake and turned in.
  - Study tool options available from me: Concept map, Narrow the Focus, Doodle the Concept.
  - Student may make their own study tool like a Quizlet or flashcards; however, this is not always the best option for complex topics or concepts.
- If a student has several learning targets to retake, it is best to do only one or two at a time.
- Test retakes are done during lunch.
- Retakes scores will be noted in MISTAR.

**Some tips:** Several of the team teachers are allowing corrections and retakes. This can greatly increase a student’s work load when combined with regular homework. So...

Try not to develop the attitude that the opportunity for retakes/corrections means you do not have to prepare for quizzes and test.

Retake quizzes and tests as soon as possible – within a day or two. Review your materials for the learning target the night before or make a study tool.