Required texts:  Cause and Effect 3
Vocabulary Power 2

Course Description: Reading 2 prepares students to read texts at a seventh-grade level in various genres and types (such as academic texts, fiction, technical reading and newspaper articles). This course develops reading comprehension skills so that students will be able to: infer meaning from contextual clues, recognize high-frequency affixes, develop pre-reading skills (skimming and scanning text, titles, graphs, illustrations, etc), predict meaning from pre-reading activities and visual aids, identify and restate stated and implied main ideas and supporting details, recognize basic rhetorical forms (chronological and descriptive writing), develop dictionary skills, and make personal connections with and respond to reading selections.

Student Learning Objectives (what students will be able to do by the end of the course):
• Recognize contextual clues to interpret vocabulary meaning
• Identify main ideas and supporting details
• Skim and scan texts
• Increase reading speed
• Summarize
• Make inferences and predictions
• Become familiar with the use of an English dictionary

Assignments/Activities:
Respond to reading selections in reading journals
Tests and Quizzes
Written responses to comprehension questions and summaries

Methods of Evaluation:
Tests and quizzes
Short written responses to comprehension questions
Class participation
Homework completion