

reading

with imagination

Every year the ninth and tenth grade English classes study Shakespeare. This year the big focus was on the ninth grade studying *Romeo and Juliet*.

"I liked the story because it was almost real. Nothing has changed over the years," said James Polash.

When asked what her favorite part of learning Shakespeare was, Luann Cermak said, "I liked doing the projects Mrs. Luneack assigned for us the most."

Luann went all out this year and made a model of the Globe Theatre where Shakespeare's play was originally performed.

"The projects were my favorite part of the class. I liked seeing some of the Globe Theatres constructed. They did a nice job," commented Jesse Diffin.

After the years of easy Shakespeare stuff, MEAP testing and A.C.T.'s follow. These tests are what the teachers prepare students for throughout all their classes, but most importantly, English.

"Some of the proficiency was hard because it was stuff we learned in the seventh and eighth grades, and we just couldn't remember," said Mindy Wallen.

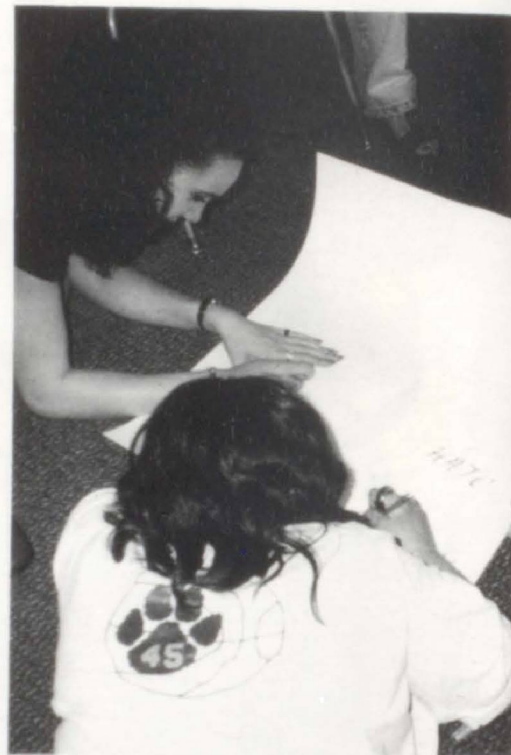
For some students, English is just tough and when the testing is timed, it makes it even harder.

"English was the hardest part for me, because I can't write worth a poop," said Eric Fabus.

Some people like it and some people don't, but wherever you go, English is a part of your everyday life, so live with it.

Miranda Coon

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HELP! Amy Dawson helps Kim Bush finish coloring her Shakespeare poster for their tenth grade English class. They read *A Midsummer Nights Dream*.

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