

# **All About IAN (Inter-Active Notebook)**

## **What is an Interactive Notebook?**

An interactive notebook is a learning tool that will help you keep science papers organized, which will help you succeed in class. You will use your notebook to 1) review class concepts as you complete “afterschool opportunities (aka homework); 2) to keep track of assignments; 3) review for quizzes and tests with the RIGHT information and 4) you may personalize your learning experience in science by having a means to reflect thoughtfully, creatively and as an individual.

## **What are my responsibilities with IAN?**

You are responsible for keeping up with notebook entries, whether you are in school or absent on any given day. In class, we will add papers by folding them in-half and gluing them to the appropriate page in the notebook. Extra pages will be kept in a file box on top of the classroom computer cabinet. Most papers may also be accessed through Mr. A’s Weebly page. We will keep a running Table Of Contents, which will be posted with the extra papers, so that you can always update your notebook. You will also be responsible for correctly numbering and providing a title for each of your entries. Each notebook should be duct taped, with a back pocket and the front should be clearly labeled with name and science period.

## **How will the notebook be graded?**

All nightly homework will be checked in your notebook. Assignments that are not located in your notebook or on the correct page will ONLY receive partial credit. There will be at least one notebook grade per quarter in which your notebook will be checked for the following criteria – proper heading on the front, duct taped with back pocket, pages numbered correctly and all work is complete and glued down in IAN. Keeping an organized notebook will also help you complete assignments and study guides because you will be creating your own science text book.

## **What is the difference between the “left side” and “right side” in IAN?**

Right side (odd numbered pages) are activities done together in class or information provided by the teacher...this is the RIGHT stuff or information which you will be tested on. Examples of right side work are class notes, articles, hand-outs, diagrams or activities completed as a class. Left side (even numbered pages) activities are done on your own or with minimal teacher guidance. It is your opportunity to show me what you know. Examples would be reflections, drawings, homework or any review activity.