English 9 Curriculum

Unit 1: Plot and Setting

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
10-15 days	Conflict drives plot.	What is the purpose	Students will know	Student should be	"The Most	Plot	
		of conflict within a		able to apply	Dangerous	Rising action/	CC.1.3.9-10.B
LITERATURE	Exposition	story?	The elements of plot	specific short story	Game"	complications	
	establishes setting		structure.	plots to a plot		Falling action	CC.1.3.9-10.C
	and characterization	How are events		diagram	"Dog Star"	Crisis, or	
		sequenced and	that the outcome of			turning point	CC.1.3.9-10.E
*With a Novel,	Event sequencing is a	ordered in a story?	a central conflict is	Student should be	"A Christmas	Exposition	
about 40 days	specific choice made		determined at a	able to analyze	Memory"	Climax and	CC.1.3.9-10.F
	by the author.	How do the character	story's climax	various plot		resolution	
		choices influence the		elements	Excerpt from		CC.1.3.9-10.I
		plot?	the uses and		Capote to	Chronological	
			effectiveness of	Student should be	compare with "A	order	CC.1.3.9-10.J
		What is the author's	various plot	able to identify	Christmas	Flashback	
		purpose in writing	elements (flashback,	inciting incident &	Memory"	Flash-forward	CC.1.3.9-10. K
		this passage?	flash-forward,	analyze how it		Foreshadowing	
			foreshadowing, etc.)	propels the plot	Poem: My	Prediction	
				and conflict	Father is a	Synonyms	
			Identify inciting		Simple Man	connotations	
			incidents	Student should be			
				able to identify	Nonfiction:	Most	
				various plot	"Can Animals	Dangerous	
				elements and	Think?"	Game:	
					"Far-Out	Receding	
					Housekeeping	Disarming	
					on the ISS"	Prolonged	
						Imprudent	

				Accompanying	Surmounted
				Novels:	Unruffled
				The Hobbit	Invariably
					Diverting
				Academic	Impulse
				English: May	protruding
				read only 2 of	
				the fiction	Can Animals
				stories, taking	Think?:
				time to focus on	Balmy
				big ideas and	Intangible
				essential	Awry
				questions.	Devious
				·	Beguile
				Scholars English	_
				follows this	Dog Star:
				curriculum.	Desolating
					Astronomers
				Honors English	Stellar
				will be more	Luminous
				rigorous, more	Misanthropic
				reading outside	Terrestrial
				of class.	Default
					Labyrinthine
					,
					A Christmas
					Memory:
					Inaugurating
					Exhilarates
					Dilapidated
					Paraphernalia
					Sacrilegious
					Carnage
					Prosaic
					Disposition
					Suffuse
					Noncommittal
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Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
		(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
				Resources		Content
Organize writing Develop autobiographical narrative adhering to a clear plot structure. Use grade appropriate grammar and punctuation. Substitute common words for stronger adjectives.	How does one develop a clear autobiographical narrative? What are the components of a short autobiographical narrative?	How to properly develop and format a clear autobiographical narrative. How to prewrite with a prescribed plot structure, using a graphic organizer. Write and rewrite drafts of their narrative. Appropriate	Student should be able to organize their narrative around a clear plot structure Student should be able to create a short story based off of a memory. Student should be able to proofread, evaluate and revise their narrative.	Resources Multi-paragraph autobiographical narrative focusing on constructing one strong paragraph. Pages 66-75 in the Elements of Literature Book	Plot vocabulary from above Dialogue Autobiographic al narrative Pre-write Sequence of events Audience Significance Perpective Point of view Purpose Formality Style Connotation	Content CC.1.4.9-10.N CC.1.4.9-10.0 CC.1.4.9-10.P CC.1.4.9-10.Q CC.1.4.9-10.R CC.1.4.9-10.S
adjectives.		methods of peer- review and peer- editing			Denotation Sensory details	
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Assessments:

English 9: Write between 2-3 paragraphs, focusing on paragraph structure. Reinforce grammar and punctuation in pre-writing phase. Expect to spend more time in pre-writing phase. Expect to write mostly in-class.

Academic English: Write between 3-5 paragraphs, focusing on paragraph structure. Reinforce grammar, expected grammar is not quite mastery stage. Partially write in class, partially outside of class.

Honors: Write 3-5 paragraphs. Reinforce grammar, and expected grammar usage is mostly mastery. Some in-class writing.

All: Write an autobiographical narrative essay; Unit Quiz; question for comprehension; thinking critically and reading check questions; multiple plot charts

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Estimated Unit Time Frames	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lessons/ Suggested Resources	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible Content
LITERATURE	Author word choices determine	How does a character's	Students will know	Student should be able to use graphic	Short Stories: "Thank You	Point of View Narration	CC.1.2.9-10.B
13 days	characterization.	motivation shape characterization?	Differences between direct and indirect	organizers to distinguish direct &	Ma'am" "Helen on 86 th	-1 st -2 nd	CC.1.2.9-10.E
	Motivation shapes characterization.	How does an author	characterization	indirect characterization.	Street" "Marigolds"	-3 rd limited -3 rd omniscient	CC.1.2.9-10.F
	Character choices	build direct and indirect	Recognize different types of characters	Student should be	Poems:	Appearance Dialogue	CC.1.3.9-10.B
	drive plot forward.	characterization?	(round, flat, dynamic, static)	able to evaluate differences in	"Mother to Son" "Forgive My	Dramatic monologue	CC.1.3.9-10.C
		How do character choices drive plot?	Recognize character motivations	characterization Student should be	Guilt" Nonfiction:	Speech Private thoughts	
		What is inference?	Inotivations	able to identify	"Teaching Chess, and Life"	Actions Direct and	
		What influence does making inferences		motivations and analyze how it	"Community Service and You"	indirect characterizatio	
		have on predictions?		impacts & drives the plot.	"Feeding Frenzy"	n Conflict	
				Student should be able to predict how	Teacher generated	Antagonist External conflict	
				character motivation will	graphic organizers	Internal conflict	
				influence plot or character choices.		Subordinate characters Motivation	
						Flat characters Round	
						characters Dynamic	

			Placidly Inciting Malicious Contrition	
			Marigolds: Arid Futile Impoverished Poignantly Clarity	
			Scourge Polytheism Ramparts Supplication Enunciate	
			Helen on 86 th St Embodies Odyssey Litany Incantation Stifled	
			Mentorship Intimidating Endeavors Legislation Bureaucratic Undaunted	
			Static Nonfiction:	

SHORT STORY	Building strong	What does a strong	The student will	Student should be	suggested	Conflict	GENERAL
WRITING	paragraphs.	paragraph look like?	know	able to draw	writing exercise	Round	CC.1.4.9-10A
			Components of a	inference clues	on page 132,	Dynamic	
2 Days	Organize an essay	How do character	strong paragraph.	about	"Write a Short	Author's	CC.1.4.9-10
	response using	choices drive plot?		characterization	Story".	purpose	
	details from the text		Placement of thesis			Inference	
	to support claims.	What is an inference?	& topic sentences.	Student should be	Using the	Motivation	
				able to use the text	Constructed		
	Identify and explain		Transitional phrases	to explain when a	Response		
	how and why an		and grammar usage.	dynamic character	question on		
	author builds round			changes, support	page 143,		
	characters.		How to properly use	these claims with	students can		
			the text to form	examples from the	write an essay		
			citations (quote	text.	response		
			sandwiches).		identifying when		
				Student should be	a character		
				able to identify	changes &		
				details and words	support this		
				from the story to	claim with		
				support character	examples from		
				motivation or	the text.		
				changes.			
				Student should be			
				able to infer			
				author's intent.			

Assessments: short essay; question for comprehension; unit quiz on pages 140-145; thinking critically and reading check questions

Using the Constructed Response question on page 143, students can write an essay response identifying when a character changes & support this claim with examples from the text. They should further explain how the change impacts the plot. Essay length is up to teacher and class's needs. This constructed response can be used to assess how well students can integrate quotes from the text.

Scholars class could do the suggested writing exercise on page 132, "Write a Short Story".

Teacher Suggestion: Helen on 86th St would support reading The Odyssey but requires background information on Greek Mythology.

Unit 3: Narrator and Voice

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Everyone has	How does the	Know qualifications	Student should be	Short Story:	The	CC.1.3.9-10.D
	a story to share.	sequence of a story	for different points	able to recognize	"The	Interlopers:	
10-15 days		affect the reader's	of view	different points of	Interlopers"	Precipitous	CC.1.3.9-10.E
	Conflicts influence	response?		view		Acquiesced	
*with a novel,	characters'		Understand author's		"The Necklace"	Marauders	CC.1.3.9-10.F
about 45 days.	motivations and	How do conflicts	intent	Student should be		Exasperation	
	relationships.	influence the		able to analyze	"The Cask of	Pious	CC.1.3.9-10.K
		relationships	Understand conflict	author's intent	Amontillado"	Retorted	
	Point of view affects	between	and various ways it			Condolences	
	a readers'	characters?	affects characters	Student should be	Nonfiction:	Languor	
	understanding.			able to analyze and	Poe's Final Days	Reconciliation	
		What part does a		explain conflict and		Succor	
		narrator's voice play		its impact on	Poe's Death is		
		in		characters	Rewritten as	The Necklace:	
		developing the			Case of Rabies,	Incessantly	
		author's purpose?			not Telltale	Disconsolate	
					Alcohol	Vexation	
		*How does a story's				Pauper	
		point of view affect			If Poe had	Adulation	
		our			Succeeded	Aghast	
		understanding of it?			when he said	Privations	
					Nevermore to	Exorbitant	
					Drink		
					5 1 5 1	Cask of	
					Rabies Death	Amontillado:	
					Theory	Precluded	
					Films	Impunity	
					Film:	Retribution	
					Edgar Allen Poe	Immolation	
					Namela	Connoisseurshi	
					Novels:	р	

		To Kill a	Impose	
		Mockingbird	Recoiling	
		The Adventures	Endeavored	
		of Tom Sawyer	Obstinate	
		and Huckleberry	succession	
		Finn		

Assessments: Reading Check and Thinking Critically questions; question for comprehension; quiz on pages 202-205; book suggestion on page 194 is Analyzing a nonfiction piece of literature, such as a biography. Could also be differentiated or modified for magazine or news article.

Unit 4: Comparing Themes

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Language is used to	How do the solutions	Summarize themes	Student should be	Short Stories:	The Sniper:	CC.1.3.9-10.K
	communicate and to	to conflicts in a story		able to analyze and	"The Sniper"	Beleaguered	
15 days	deepen	reveal its theme?	Differentiate themes	explain how conflict		Ascetic	CC.1.3.9-10.G
	understanding.		from motifs	reveals a story's	"Cranes"	Fanatic	
		How does the way	Make inferences and	theme		Ruse	CC.1.3.9-10.H
	Effective use of	people deal with	draw conclusions		"Liberty"	Silhouetted	
	vocabulary builds	conflict reveal their	from the text	Student should be		Remorse	CC.1.3.9-10.J
	social and academic	character?		able to analyze and	"An American		
	knowledge.		Analyze a piece of	explain how conflict	Story"	Cranes:	CC.1.3.9-10.D
		Why might the same	modern literature	reveals character		Averted	
	Comprehension	theme be explored in	and explain how it		Poem:	Obstruction	
	requires and	different genres of	draws on themes,	Student should be	Exile	Constitutes	
	enhances critical	writing by different	characters, or events	able to relate		Mainstay	
	thinking and is	writers?	from classical works.	theme between	Nonfiction	Refuge	
	constructed through		Explain how the	genres	Texts:		
	the intentional		modern work makes		"A Country	Informational	
	interaction between		a classical theme		Divided"	Text:	
	the reader and the		new.			Intolerance	
	text.				"Lives in the	Negotiations	
					Crossfire"	Designate	

		"Internment"	Absorb Reunification Divergent	
		"Peace isn't	Coerced	
		Impossible"	Abhor	
			Optimist	
			Condone	

Assessments: Thinking Critically Questions; question for comprehension; book suggests comparing media coverage exercise on page 270; quiz on pages 279-281.

Unit 5: Irony and Ambiguity

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Language is used to	What does irony	Know the meaning of	Student should be	Short Stories:	Gift of the	CC.1.3.9-10.F
	communicate and to	teach	dramatic irony	able to explain why	"The Gift of the	Magi:	
10-15 days	deepen	us about our own		something is	Magi"	Instigates	CC.1.3.9-10.D
	understanding.	expectations?	Know the meaning of	dramatic irony, or a		Agile	
			different types of	different type of	"The Lady, or	Depreciate	CC.1.3.9-10.E
	Effective use of	How might not	irony	irony	the Tiger?"	Cascade	
	vocabulary builds	knowing the answer		Identify moments		Ransacking	CC.1.3.9-10.B
	social and academic	to	Understand why	of ambiguity	Poems:	Discreet	
	knowledge.	a story's conflicts	something is		Los Ancianos	Scrutiny	
		make	ambiguous; what	Student should be	The Road not	Nimble	
	Comprehension	you a deeper thinker?	creates ambiguity	able to cite textual	Taken	Coveted	
	requires and			evidence that	Crossing Paths	Singed	
	enhances critical	How do writers use		strongly supports			
	thinking and is	symbols to make		idea	Nonfiction	Lady or the	
	constructed through	connections between			Reading:	Tiger:	
	the intentional	complex ideas?		Student should be	A Defense of the	Exuberant	
	interaction between			able to make	Jury System	Genial	
	the reader and the	*How do allegories		inferences and		Impartial	
	text.	promote change in		draw conclusions		Allegiance	

	people's thinking?	from text	Procured	
			Dire	
			Retribution	
			Fervent	
			Aspiring	
			deliberation	

Assessments: Book suggests writing a persuasive essay, but I saved this for the Epic Myth unit. Unit quiz; comprehension check and thinking critically questions; question for comprehension

Unit 6: Symbolism and Allegory

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Language is used to	How is symbolism	Recognize symbols in	i Student should be	Short Stories:	Symbol	CC.1.3.9-10.B
10-15 days	communicate and to	used to communicate	literature	able to dentify and	"The Scarlet	Public symbol	
	deepen	and deepen		explain symbols in	Ibis"	Allegory	CC.1.3.9-10.E
With a novel:	understanding.	understanding?	Recognize and	literature			
5-7 weeks			understand how		"The		CC.1.3.9-10.F
	Effective use of	How does acquiring	allegories parallel	Student should be	Grandfather"		
	vocabulary builds	new vocabulary assist	real life situations	able to identify and	"The Golden	Scarlet Ibis:	CC.1.3.9-10.H
	social and academic	with learning and		explain an allegory	Kite, the Silver	Sullenly	
	knowledge.	understanding	Understand that		Wind"	Imminent	CC.1.3.9-10.J
		literature?	symbolism is used to	Student should be		Iridescent	
	Comprehension		communicate and	able to identify and	Poems:	Serene	CC.1.3.9-10.K
	requires and	How do allegories	deepen our	explain the	If there be	Infallibility	
	enhances critical	parallel real life	understanding of the	differences	Sorrow	Blighted	
	thinking and is	situations?	text.	between an		Doggedness	
	constructed through			allegory, fairytale,	Nonfiction:	Reiterated	
	the intentional			and fable.	"Weapons of	Precariously	
	interaction between				the Spirit"	Mar	
	the reader and the			Student should be			
	text.			able to analyze how	"Letter to	Golden Kite,	

words	and phrases President	the Silver
	meaning Roosevelt"	Wind:
Silape	illeaning Roosevert	
		Omens
	nt should be "On the	Lurked
	o cite strong Abolition of	
textua	al evidence for Threat of Wa	r" Acclaimed
suppo	ort	Pandemonium
	"The Arms R	ace" Spurn
Studer	nt should be	Eclipse
able to	o explain how Novels:	Sustain
the au	uthor's syntax The Illustrate	ed Monotony
shape	s tone and <i>Man</i>	Enduring
meani	ing of a piece Animal Farm	
	The Pearl	Nonfiction:
Studer	nt should be	Eradicate
able to	o analyze how	Phenomenon
an aut	thor draws on	Conceivable
and tr	ansforms	Abolish
theme	es, topics, and	Radical
charac	cter types	Conviction
		Invincible
		Inevitable
		Vanquished
		Renunciation

Assessments/ Modifications: Recommended novels—Animal Farm (higher achievers), The Pearl (moderate to lower achievers), or segments from The Illustrated Man (low achievers). I assessed students' knowledge throughout the novels with various worksheets, activities, questioning for comprehension, projects and essays.

Animal Farm Assessments: various chapter quizzes; Unit test; PowerPoint analyzing the relationship between the allegorical characters and historical figures.

The Pearl Assessments: various quizzes, including vocabulary and chapter; Unit test; essay explaining how Steinbeck uses symbolism to enhance meaning in the book

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Frames 1-2 weeks	Writing is a means of	How do we document	Basic MLA style	Animal Farm:	Resources Purdue OWL's	Plagiarism	CC.1.4.9-10. B
WRITING	documenting	our thinking and	formatting, including	Student should be	MLA	MLA style	CC.1.4.5 10. B
	thinking.	writing so that we	appropriate	able to create a	PowerPoint;	guide	CC.1.5.9-10.A
		avoid plagiarizing	headings,	PowerPoint	their website is	Works Cited	

Writing is a recursive	sources?	parenthetical	comparing the	an easily	Page	CC.1.5.9-10.B
process that conveys		citations and an	allegorical	accessed	Parenthetical	
ideas, thoughts, and	How do we convey	appropriate works	characters to the	resource as well.	citations	CC.1.5.9-10.C
feelings.	ideas, thoughts, and	cited page.	real historical			
	feelings in writing?		figures from the			CC.1.5.9-10.D
Purpose, topic and			Russian Revolution.			
audience guide types	How do we adopt an					CC.1.5.9-10.E
of writing.	academic tone with		The Pearl:			
	writing that is		Student should be			CC.1.5.9-10.F
Information to gain	appropriate for our		able to construct an			
or expand	audience?		essay explaining			
knowledge can be			how symbolism and			
acquired through a			irony enhance			
variety of sources.			comprehension in			
			The Pearl.			
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Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
POETRY	Poets use words and	Why does poetry	Various poetic	Student should be	"A Blessing"	Imagery	CC. 1.3.9-10.J
	images to	express emotion	elements, such as	able to identify	"Woman Work"	Image	
2-4 weeks	communicate a	more effectively than	form, rhyme scheme,	various poetic	"Daily"	Catalog Poem	CC. 1.3.9-10.K
	theme.	other types of	figurative language,	elements with	"in Just—"	Haiku	
		writing?	etc.	regard to form,	Haikus	Sonnet	CC.1.3.9-10.H
	Poets "paint a			rhyme	"Once by the	Elizabethan	
	picture" with their	How does poetry	Know why poets	scheme, and meter.	Pacific"	sonnet	CC.1.3.9-10.E
	words to describe	reveal what we	differ structure,		"Country Scene"	Petrarchan	
	situations.	otherwise might not	break from or adhere	Student should be	"Tiburon"	sonnet	CC.1.3.9-10.F
		recognize?	to structure in their	able to describe	"Folding Won	lambic	
	Listening provides		poetry.	how differing	Tons In"	pentameter	
	the opportunity to	What constitutes as a		structures (i.e.,	"Hope" is the	Lyric poem	
	learn, reflect, and	poem?	Know why poetry	rhyme, rhythm)	thing with	Figure of	
	respond.		moves an audience.	arise in	feathers	speech	
		How do readers		poetry and explain	"Internment"	Simile	
	Writing is a recursive	interpret their	Know different	why authors might	"Fog"	Metaphor	

process that conveys	poems?	characteristics of	choose one form	"Fire and Ice"	Direct
ideas, thoughts, and	poems:	poetry, recognize	over	"The Seven Ages	metaphor
feelings.		them in a text and be	another.	of Man"	Implied
reenings.			another.	"Women"	
		able to explain them.	Charlen haben all be		metaphor
			Student should be	"Boy at the	Extended
			able to engage with	Window"	metaphor
			a given text and	"I Wandered	Personification
			describe the ways	Lonely as a	End-stopped
			in which it	Cloud"	line
			moves the	"The Courage	Diction
			audience.	That My Mother	Denotation
				Had"	Connotation
			Student should be	"Ballad of	Monologue
			able to recognize	Birmingham"	Tone
			and explain the	"The Gift"	Rhyme
			distinguishing	"Legal Alien"	Rhythm
			characteristics of	"The Base	Approximate
			various kinds of	Stealer"	rhyme
			poetry, such as	"American	Exact rhyme
			lyric, haiku, and	Hero"	End rhyme
			sonnets		Internal rhyme
				Nonfiction:	Meter
				Eyeglasses for	Foot
				the Mind	Anapest
				I Never Saw	Dactyl
				Daffodils so	Scanning
				Beautiful	Free verse
				The History	Ballad
				Behind the	
					Repetition
				Ballad	Refrain
					Folk ballads
					Literary ballads
					Speaker
					Persona
					Alliteration
					Sentence
					structure
					Onomatopoeia

Estimated Unit Time Frames	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lessons/ Suggested Resources	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible Content
WRITING POETRY Concurrent to the unit	Poets use words and images to communicate a theme. Poets "paint a picture" with their words to describe situations.	Why does poetry express emotion more effectively than other types of writing? How does poetry reveal what we otherwise might not recognize? What constitutes as a poem? How do readers interpret their poems?	Identify various poetic elements with regard to form, rhyme scheme, and meter. Describe how differing structures (i.e., rhyme, rhythm) arise in poetry and explain why authors might choose one form over another. Engage with a given text and describe the ways in which it moves the audience. Recognize and explain the distinguishing characteristics of various kinds of poetry, such as lyric, haiku, and sonnets	Student should be able to identify various poetic elements with regard to form, rhyme scheme, and meter. Student should be able to describe how differing structures (i.e., rhyme, rhythm) arise in poetry and explain why authors might choose one form over another. Student should be able to engage with a given text and describe the ways in which it moves the audience. Student should be able to recognize and explain the distinguishing	Write various poems related to the subject matter, styles, or poetic elements discussed in this unit. Analyze a poem at the end of the unit. Provide a possible list from the unit and students analyze it according to a rubric.	Same vocabulary as the unit.	CC.1.4.9-10.A

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	poetry, such as lyric, haiku, and sonnets Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time Frames			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested Resources		Eligible Content
POEM ANALYSIS	Writing is a means of documenting thinking.	Why do authors repeatedly use themes and motifs?	Understand that authors repeatedly use the same themes	Write an essay analyzing a poem or pair of poems by	Poems from the book Websites:	Same vocabulary as the unit	CC.1.4.9-10.B CC.1.5.9-10.A
Scholars	cg.	themes and moths.	and motifs	the same author.	Poetry		00.1.3.3 10
English: 1 week	Writing is a recursive process that conveys	How do authors develop style?	Authors develop		Foundation Poets	Plagiarism MLA style	CC.1.5.9-10.B
	ideas, thoughts, and feelings.	How does an author's	styles		PBS	formatting Works Cited	CC.1.5.9-10.C
	Purpose, topic and	background contribute to themes,	Authors' backgrounds			Parenthetical citations/in-	CC.1.5.9-10.D
	audience guide types of writing.	motifs, and stylistic choices.	contribute to themes, motifs, and			text citations	CC.1.5.9-10.E
	Information to gain or expand knowledge can be acquired through a variety of sources.		styles.				CC.1.5.9-10.F

Assessments/ Modifications:

English 9: will likely take more time and get through less poems each day; however, it would be useful to allow them time for analysis and making connections; assess through creating poems; identifying poetic devices; unit test; question for comprehension; thinking critically and reading check questions; allow them to listen to the poems on cd

Academic English: Should get through several poems a day, usually poems with the same theme or style; assess through creating poems; identifying poetic devices; unit test; question for comprehension; thinking critically and reading check questions

Scholars English: I recommend deviating from the book for this class. A suggested activity is having them identify a theme in a poem and bring in a poem with a similar theme. I gave them a completely different writing activity at the end, and they did quite a lot more reading outside of class. Assessments: unit test, poetry analysis essay; creating and editing several poems; peer editing; questioning for understanding; reading check and thinking critically questions from the book. On page 480 in the book, the suggested writing is Analyzing a Poem.

*At the end, focus heavily on sonnets and iambic pentameter to set them up for Shakespeare. After this, I would recommend reading Romeo and Juliet

	Unit 8: Evaluating Style										
Estimated Unit Time	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lessons/ Suggested	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible				
Frames			A .I. I. I.		Resources	A 11.11.1	Content				
LITERATURE 10-15 days	Comprehension requires and enhances critical thinking and is	How do authors develop style? How does an author's	Authors develop styles Authors'	For excerpt from Jurassic Park: Student should be able to analyze the	Evaluating Style: A writer's personal stamp	Annihilate Expendable Depression Paradox	CC.1.3.9-10.C CC.1.3.9-10.B				
co th in re Pu au	constructed through the intentional	background contribute to themes,	backgrounds contribute to	representation of a subject or key	A Sound of Thunder	Delirium Resilient	CC.1.3.9-10.E				
	interaction between reader and text.	motifs, and stylistic choices.	themes, motifs, and styles.	scene in two different artistic mediums, including	Excerpt from Jurassic Park	Remit Revoke Primeval	CC.1.3.9-10.F				
	Purpose, topic, and audience guide types of writing.			what is absent or emphasized in each.	To Da-duh in Memoriam	Subliminal Receding Catastrophic Implications	CC.1.3.9-10.11				
	Language is used to communicate and deepen understanding.			Student should be able to use context clues to evaluate style	How to Eat a Guava Poems: The Tropics in	Indiscriminate Deficient Equitable Demise Ominous					
	Effective use of vocabulary builds social and academic knowledge.			Student should be able to make inferences and draw conclusions based on author's explicit assumptions/ beliefs.	New York Informational Texts: Rising Tides An Arctic Floe of Climate Questions	Impending Ignorance Unrelenting Formidable Reproved Truculent Decrepit Admonished Perennial					
				Student should be able to analyze author's choices on plot structure and		Austere Protracted Menacing					

	time manipulation	
	to create such	
	effects as mystery,	
	tension, or surprise.	

Assessments/ Modifications: The book suggests analyzing a short story writing response on page 548. Some suggestions might be to analyze a children's short story, or have them find a short story from a favorite author. The novel The Illustrated Man might fit nicely in here.

Assessments: unit quiz in book on pages 557-559; thinking critically and comprehension check questions; question for understanding; peer reviews/ edits; constructed response or essay

Unit 9: Biographical and Historical Approach

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Speeches and	How have authors or	Understand and	Student should be	Literary Roots:	Historical	CC.1.2.9-10.A
	nonfiction historical	speakers built	recognize various	able to identify and	the Writer's Life	setting	
5-10 days	texts are literature.	literature around important and	rhetorical devices	analyze various rhetorical devices	and Times	Biographical	CC.1.2.9-10.B
	Effective speaking	influential historical	How speeches affect		American		CC.1.2.9-10.C
	and listening are	events?	historical events,	Student should be	History	Literally	
	essential for		public image, or	able to explain how		Discreet	CC.1.2.9-10.D
	productive	How does history	national morale	rhetoric affects	Volar	Linger	
	communication	affect literature?		historical events,		Infatuated	CC.1.2.9-10.E
				public image, or	A Warm, Clear	Vigilant	
	Writing is a recursive	How does audience		national morale	Day in Dallas	Enthralled	CC.1.2.9-10.G
	process that conveys	affect an author's				Elation	
	ideas, thoughts or	purpose?			Address to	Distraught	CC.1.2.9-10.H
	feelings.				Congress,	Dilapidated	
					November 27,	Solace	CC.1.2.9-10.I
	Spoken language can				1963		
	be represented in					Denouncing	
	print.				Students React	Virtuous	
					to President	Controversial	
					Kennedy's	Conspiracy	

					Death Beware of the Dog Wounded and Trapped	Immortal Vitalized Resolve Tolerance Bigotry Defiant Primary Source Secondary	
						source Opinions Facts	
						Credible Purpose Audience	
						Undulating Giddy	
						Unconscious Idly Delirious	
						Obsession Hoisted	
						Beckoned Historical period	
						Conflicts Inference	
Estimated Unit Time Frames	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lessons/ Suggested Resources	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible Content
WRITING	Using someone else's information	How do we cite evidence without	How to properly use MLA formatting in a	Student should be able to clearly cite	Writing a Research Paper	All MLA vocabulary	CC.1.8.9.A
About 10 school days, running	without giving proper credit is plagiarism.	plagiarizing? How do we give our	research paper.	Student should be	MLA formatting		CC.1.8.9.B
concurrent to		research papers		able to write clearly			

the Historical Text Unit. Class will likely need 3-5 days in the library or computer lab.	Citing evidence appropriately gives your research paper credibility.	credibility?		and concisely. Student should be able to give a speech communicating the importance of a speech in collaboration with the historical event on which it is based.			
SPEAKING 3-5 days, depending on the size of the class	The ability to clearly present information is important.	How does research translate into the spoken word? How can research be communicated to mass audiences?	How to present ideas clearly and concisely in an informative speech. Self-edit their speeches to essential and relative material Create a suitable introduction and a clear ending	Student should be able to clearly present information to their peers Student should be able to construct organized speeches with a clear beginning, middle and conclusion. Student should be able to cite sources	Informative Speech about research topic	Rhetoric Informative speech Audience Body language	CC.1.6.9-10.A CC.1.6.9-10.B

Assessments/ Modifications: On page 610, the book suggests writing a research paper. Students usually do this in American Cultures, so it may be redundant here; however, collaborating with an American Cultures teacher would be useful in this unit.

Thinking critically or reading check questions; question for comprehension; unit quiz; essay, debate, or news analysis

Unit 10: Epic and Myth

Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time		Questions	(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content
LITERATURE	Odysseus is an epic	What is an epic hero's	Understand epic	Student should be	"The Odyssey"	Odyssey:	CC.1.1.9.A
	hero on an epic	journey?	language, the	able to compare		Adversity	
3-6 weeks	journey		heightened figurative	and analyze epic		Formidable	CC.1.1.9.B
		What are the	language	similes	Nonfiction:	Ravage	
	Heroes used to be	qualifications for an			Where I Find My	Profusion	CC.1.1.9.C
	formulaic but	epic hero?	Understand theme	Student should be	Heroes	Adversary	
	modern heroes differ		and how we analyze	able to distinguish	Heroes with	Rancor	CC.1.1.9.D
		What are the	theme in a text	and analyze theme	Solid Feet	Abominably	
	Each culture had	characteristics of an		in an epic		Ardor	CC.1.1.9.E
	expectations of	epic?	Understand epic		"The Fenris	Tumult	
	heroes and epic texts		characteristics	Student should be	Wolf"	Restitution	CC.1.2.9.A
		What is epic		able to compare			
		language, specifically	Understand epic	epic heroes to		Nonfiction:	CC.1.2.9.C
		the epic simile?	hero characteristics	modern heroes—		Advocate	
				how have our		Defers	CC.1.2.9.E
		How do we recognize	Understand	values changed?		Emaciated	
		and analyze theme in	character types			Annihilate	
		a text?		Student should be		Emulate	
				able to explain epic			
		How have our views		texts and language.		Fenris Wolf:	
		and values changed				Odin	
		concerning heroes &				Ve	
		heroic				Frigga	
		characteristics?				Thor	
						Balder	
						Tyr	
						Loki	
						Frey	
						Freya	
						Bragi	
Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time			(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible
Frames					Resources		Content

PERSUASIVE ESSAY	Odysseus is an epic hero on an epic	Is Odysseus a Noble Character?	Support claims with evidence from the	Student should be able to use quote	Page. 734 in book on	Vocabulary from the	CC.1.4.9.C
	journey		text	sandwiches	persuading with	Odyssey	CC.1.5.9.A
3-5 days		How have our views			cause and effect		
	Heroes used to be	and values changed	Understand epic	Student should be			CC.1.5.9.B
	formulaic but	concerning heroes &	characteristics	able to write a			
	modern heroes differ	heroic		short persuasive			CC.1.5.9.C
		characteristics?	Understand epic	paper on whether			
	Each culture had		hero characteristics	or not Odysseus is a			CC.1.5.9.D
	expectations of	Would Odysseus	Un de vetere d	noble character			664505
	heroes and epic texts	make a good modern hero?	Understand	Student should be			CC.1.5.9.E
		Heror	character types	able to present a			CC.1.5.9.F
		What is an epic hero's		persuasive			CC.1.3.3.1
		journey?		argument			
		,					
		What are the					
		qualifications for an					
		epic hero?					

Assessments/ Modifications:

English 9- this class may only read segments of The Odyssey, or the first half, depending on ability; assess through quizzes, comprehension checks, question for understanding, persuasive essay

Academic English- read the first half of The Odyssey, watch the film version; assess through quizzes and unit test, comprehension checks, question for understanding, persuasive essay

Scholars English- read half or the complete Odyssey, as well as more academic translations, comparing the language in the two versions; assess through quizzes and unit test, comprehension checks, question for understanding, persuasive essay

	Unit 11: Shakespeare/ Drama									
Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/			
Unit Time		Questions	(Know)	(Do)	Suggested		Eligible			
Frames					Resources		Content			

LITERATURE	Conflict drives plot.	What is the purpose of conflicts within a	Students will know	Student should be	"Romeo and	Plot	CC.1.3.9-10.E
Ea alsa	The Francisch lenguage		The elements of	able to analyze	Juliet", another	Rising action/	
5 weeks	The English language has evolved over	story?	dramatic plot	dramatic plot structure and	Shakespearean tragedy, or a	complications Falling action	CCSS.ELA-
	time.	How does an author	structure.	development of	combination of	Crisis, or	Literacy.RL.9-
	time.	establish theme?	Structure.	time and sequence.	Shakespearean	turning point	10.2
	Themes are universal	establish theme:	that the outcome of	time and sequence.	texts	Exposition	
	and stand the test of		a central conflict is	Student should be	texts	Climax and	CCSS.ELA-
	time.	Why does dramatic	determined at a	able to recognize	Various Sonnets	resolution	Literacy.RL.9-
		irony enhance the	story's climax	and analyze themes;		Chronological	10.9
	Authors use	plot?		provide examples	News Articles	order	0000 51 4
	dramatic irony to	'	themes of	from text to support	for Nonfiction		CCSS.ELA-
	enhance plot.		Shakespearean text	claims.	Reading	Drama	Literacy.RL.9-
						Theme	10.1
			different types of	Student should be	Modern songs	Dialogue	L.F.2.3.3
			irony, their structure	able to justify use of	related to	Monologue	
			and importance	dramatic irony.	literature	Soliloquy	
						Archaic	
					Modern film	End-stopped	
					adaptations	line	
						Run-on line	
						Blank verse	
						lambic 	
						pentameter	
						Couplets Prose	
Estimated	Big Ideas	Essential	Concepts	Competencies	Lessons/	Vocabulary	Standards/
Unit Time		Questions	(Know)	(Do)	Suggested	•	Eligible
Frames		,			Resources		Content
WRITING	Write arguments to	How does one	Students will know	Student should be	Multi-	Thesis	CC.1.4.9-10.R
NARRATIVE	support claims	develop clear		able to write a	paragraph	statement	
		persuasive	Multi- paragraph	multi-paragraph	persuasive	Supporting	CCSS.ELA-
10 days	Introduce precise	arguments?	organization,	essay intended to	essay. If using	sentences	Literacy.RL.9-
	claims		including a thesis.	persuade the	the play Romeo	Topic sentences	10.1
		What are the	Students will focus	audience	and Juliet, a	Multi-	
	Organize writing	components of a	on one strong		suggested topic	paragraph	CCSS.ELA-
		clear persuasive	opening paragraph.		is the	essay	Literacy.W.9-

Develop claims and	argument?		Student should be	importance of	Concluding	10.1
counterclaims		How to properly	able to use textual	familial or	sentence	
		insert quotations	examples to support	personal	Persuasive	CCSS.ELA-
Present claims and		with appropriate	claims	responsibility,	essay	Literacy.W.9-
have the language		formatting (quote		and which is	Claims and	10.1a
tailored to the		sandwiches)	Student should be	more	Counterclaims	
audience			able to insert quote	important.		CCSS.ELA-
		Format an essay in	citations where			Literacy.W.9-
		MLA, using the text	necessary			10.1b
		as their source.				
						CCSS.ELA-
		How to properly				Literacy.W.9-
		develop and format				10.1c .
		clear persuasive				10.10.
		arguments in writing.				CCSS.ELA-
						Literacy.W.9-
						10.1d
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			Literacy.W.9- 10.9a
			CSS.ELA- Literacy.W.9- 10.9b

Assessments/ Modifications:

English 9: take a longer time to read, very little outside reading; explain as we go, possibly more time preparing to read. Maybe show them videos of key scenes as you go through.

Academic English: Reads full play, half in class, half outside; watches film; writes essay

Scholars: reads full play, does primarily outside reading after Act 1; watches film; writes essay

Assessments: unit test; small quizzes throughout; thinking critically and comprehension check questions; final project ;essay comparing the film to the play, length and focus dependent on classroom and teacher's evaluation