

# NEPTUNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## English Language Arts Curriculum 8th Grade



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The Neptune City School District, in partnership with the parents and the community, will support and sustain an excellent system of learning, promote pride in diversity, and expect all students to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all grade levels to become responsible and productive citizens.

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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**

**CURRICULUM**

**8TH GRADE**

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<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 1 Gadgets and Glitches
<b>Suggested Time Frame</b>	6 Weeks

<b>Overview / Rationale</b>
<p>Unit 1 theme “Gadgets and Glitches” students will consider the ways technology both makes our lives better and create challenges. The summative task of each novel is a writing task to demonstrate mastery of the skills taught through each unit. Each week students will complete writing geared toward the writing task for ELA. The objective is to build stamina to write routinely over an extended period of time addressing a variety of themes; preparing students for monthly writing tasks. Each writing should be a passage from the novel and a prompt for open-ended constructed response. As they explore and create written, oral, and visual texts, students expand and deepen their understanding of both real and imaginary worlds, and gain insight into their own lives and the lives of others. Students deeply understand and employ strategies to evaluate texts on various levels; factual, critical, interpretive and analytical. Through close reads &amp; text mining of novels, short stories and nonfiction texts; as well as class discussions, students will achieve independence, confidence and demonstrate growth as critical thinkers</p>

<b>Stage 1 – Desired Results</b>
<p><b>Established Goals:</b>  <b>New Jersey Student Learning Standards - English Language Arts</b></p> <p>RL.CR.8.1. Cite a range of textual evidence and make clear and relevant connections to strongly support an analysis of multiple aspects of what a literary text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p> <p>RI.CR.8.1. Cite a range of textual evidence and make clear and relevant connections (including informational text features such as charts, graphs, and diagrams) that strongly support an analysis of multiple aspects of what an informational text says explicitly, as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p> <p>RL.CI.8.2. Determine a theme of a literary text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.</p> <p>RI.CI.8.2. Determine a central idea of an informational text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.</p> <p>RL.IT.8.3. Analyze how particular elements of a text interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot, how ideas influence individuals or events, or how characters influence ideas or events) across multiple text types, including across literary and informational texts.</p>

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Social Studies Standard 6.1.8.CivicsHR.4.a

Social Studies Standard 6.3.8CivicsPR.3)

### **Science Connections:**

Transplant Medicine (“Mirror Image”)

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### **Key Skills**

- Act as a responsible and contributing community member and employee.
- Attend to financial well-being.
- Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decision
- Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

- Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management
- Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.
- Use technology to enhance productivity, increase collaboration and communicate effectively.
- Work productively in teams while using cultural/global competence

### **Holocaust**

**All the Light We Cannot See: Anthony Doerr**

**LGBT and Special Needs Mandate**

**Social Justice: First Hijab-Wearing Law Maker**

**Social Justice: Grassroots Activism in the US**

**Social Justice: Quilting and Politics**

**Social Justice: First Woman Senator**

### **Social and Emotional Learning Competencies**

Self Awareness

Responsible Decision Making

Relationship Skills

Social Awareness

Self Management

### **Amistad**

**Jump Ship to Freedom: James Collier and Christopher Collier**



**Essential Question:**

Does technology Improve or Control our lives?

**Unit Goals**

*Students will be able to*

- Analyze Plot
- Analyze Science Fiction
- Identify Central Ideas and Details
- Analyze Organization
- Analyze Structure
- Analyze Irony
- Analyze Claim and Evidence
- Analyze Graphic Features
- Evaluate Rhetoric
- Compare Arguments
- Write an Argument
- Compare Arguments
- Use Context clues for meaning of unknown words
- Use Participles
- Identify Synonyms and Antonyms
- Use Commonly Confused words properly
- Write an Informative Essay
- Create a Graphic Aid
- Write A Sonnet
- Present A Sonnet
- Use Transitional words and Phrases
- Use a dictionary
- Create Public Service Announcement
- Use Greek Roots
- Identify Active and Passive Voice
- Cite Sources and Use Evidence Effectively

<p><b>Texts:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i><b>The Brave Little Toaster</b></i> (Science Fiction) by Cory Doctorow 990L</li> <li>• <i><b>Are Bionic Superhumans on the Horizon?</b></i> (Informational Text) by Ramez Naam 110L</li> <li>• <i><b>Interflora</b></i> (Poem) by Susan Hamlyn N/A</li> <li>• <i>Compare Arguments: <b>The Automation Paradox</b></i> (Argument) by James Bessen 1140L /<i><b>Heads Up, Humans</b></i> (Argument) by Claudia Alarcón 1300L</li> </ul>	<p><b>Novel Options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i><b>Fuzzy</b></i> (Novel) by Tom Angleberger 700L</li> <li>• <i><b>I, Robot</b></i> (Science Fiction) by Isaac Asimov 820L</li> <li>• <i><b>Feed</b></i> (Novel) by M.T. Anderson 770L</li> </ul> <p><b>End-Of-Unit Tasks:</b></p> <p><b>Write an Argument</b> Using ideas, information, and examples from multiple texts in this unit, write an argument on a topic related to technology.</p> <p><b>Present an Argument</b> We're faced with important issues related to technology every day in our daily lives. You've chosen a specific topic related to technology to write about. Now you will adapt your argument for presentation to your classmates.</p>
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Student Resources
<p>Rich selection of diverse books  Reading/Writing Companion  Literature Anthology  Flexible Reader's Choice Texts  Flexible Long Read Options  Online access Tool ED  Peer Coach Videos: Analyze Plot  Anchor Chart: Analyze Plot  Level UP Practice: Plot Stages  Peer Coach: Video: Identify Main Idea, Determine Text Structure  Anchor Chart: Level Up: Identify Main Idea, Determine Text Structure  Level Up: Main Idea and Supporting Details, Point-by-Point Organization  Peer Coach Video: Analyze Form in Poetry, Analyze Irony  Peer Coach Video: Evaluate Author's Argument  Anchor Chart: Evaluate Author's Argument</p>

Level Up: Analyze Arguments, Informational Text  
Level Up: Elements of Poetry and Analyze Form in Poetry  
Notice and Note Handbook  
Interactive Writing and Collaboration tool “Writable”  
HMH Text Library

#### **Teacher Resources**

Teacher’s Edition Into Literature  
Unit Planning Guides  
Online access “Teacher Corner”  
Notice and Note Handbook  
Digital Tools  
HMH Text Library

#### **Stage 2 – Assessment Evidence**

##### **Pre-Assessments:**

- Placement and Diagnostic Assessment

##### **Formative Assessments:**

- Selection Tests
- Comprehension Quizzes
- Participation in class discussions/debates
- Exit tickets
- Daily Lesson Checks and Correct & Redirect Opportunities in Teacher’s Guide
- Conference notes
- Small group work notes
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##### **Benchmarks**

- IXL, I-Ready or Commonlit

##### **Summative Assessments:**

- Unit Test
- IXL or Iready Assessment

#### **Stage 3 – Learning Plan**

## Unit 1: Recommended Activities, Investigations, Interdisciplinary Connections, and/or Student Experiences to Explore within Unit

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- Engage in a debate on the topic of technology.
- Collaborate in a group discussion.
- Determine meanings of words and phrases.
- Analyze multiple points of view of a shared topic.
- Cite evidence to support analysis of the text and analyze argumentative claims.
- Analyze and use evidence to explain the structure and rhetorical devices used to develop an argument.
- Conduct research about smartphones and social media
- Compare the characteristics and strengths of two arguments.
- Write an argument about whether technology and social media are obstacles to friendship.
- Use strategies to plan and develop your argument.
- Use the Mentor Text as a model for writing an appealing introduction and using reasons and evidence to support a claim.
- Revise your draft, working with a partner in a peer review.
- Edit drafts using standard English conventions, correcting misspelling and grammatical errors.
- Publish your argument to share it with an audience.

### Accommodations/Modifications

*Below please find a list of suggestions for accommodations and modifications to meet the diverse needs of our students. Teachers should consider this a resource and understand that they are not limited to the recommendations included below.*

An **accommodation** *changes HOW a student learns*; the change needed does not alter the grade-level standard. A **modification** *changes WHAT a student learns*; the change alters the grade-level expectation.

### **Special Education and 504 Plans**

*All modifications and accommodations must be specific to each individual child's IEP (Individualized Educational Plan) or 504 Plan.*

- Pre-teach or preview vocabulary
- Repeat or reword directions
- Have students repeat directions
- Use of small group instruction
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Ask students to restate information, directions, and assignments
- Repetition and time for additional practice
- Model skills/techniques to be mastered
- Extended time to complete task/assignment/work
- Provide a copy of class notes
- Strategic seating (with a purpose - eg. less distraction)
- Flexible seating
- Repetition and additional practice
- Use of manipulatives
- Use of assistive technology (as appropriate)
- Assign a peer buddy
- Emphasize key words or critical information by highlighting
- Use of graphic organizers
- Scaffold with prompts for sentence starters
- Check for understanding with more frequency
- Provide oral reminders and check student work during independent practice
- Chunk the assignment - broken up into smaller units, work submitted in phases
- Encourage student to proofread assignments and tests
- Provide regular home/school communication
- Teacher checks student planner
- Provide students with clear expectations in writing and grading criteria for assignments (rubrics)

### **Testing Accommodations:**

*Students should receive all testing accommodations for Benchmark assessments that they receive for State testing.*

### **English Language Learners:**

*All modifications and accommodations should be specific to each individual child's LEP level as determined by the WIDA screening or ACCESS, utilizing the WIDA Can Do Descriptors.*

- Pre-teach or preview vocabulary
- Repeat or reword directions
- Have students repeat directions
- Use of small group instruction
- Scaffold language based on their Can Do Descriptors
- Alter materials and requirements according to Can Do Descriptors

- Adjust number of paragraphs or length of writing according to their Can Do Descriptor
- TPR (Total Physical Response-Sheltered Instruction strategy) Demonstrate concepts through multi sensory forms such as with body language, intonation
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Repetition and additional practice
- Model skills and techniques to be mastered
- Native Language translation (peer, assistive technology, bilingual dictionary)
- Emphasize key words or critical information by highlighting
- Use of graphic organizers
- Scaffold with prompts for sentence starters
- Check for understanding with more frequency
- Use of self-assessment rubrics
- Increase one-on-one conferencing; frequent check ins
- Use study guide to organize materials
- Make vocabulary words available in a student created vocabulary notebook, vocabulary bank, Word Wall, or vocabulary ring
- Extended time
- Select text complexity and tiered vocabulary according to Can Do Descriptors
- Projects completed individually or with partners
- Use online dictionary that includes images for words:  
<http://visual.merriamwebster.com/>.
- Use an online translator to assist students with pronunciation:  
[http://www.reverso.net/text\\_translation.aspx?lang=EN](http://www.reverso.net/text_translation.aspx?lang=EN).

### **Students at Risk of Failure:**

- Use of self-assessment rubrics for check-in
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Ask students to restate information and/or directions
- Opportunity for repetition and additional practice
- Model skills/techniques to be mastered
- Extended time
- Provide copy of class notes
- Strategic seating with a purpose
- Provide student opportunity to make corrections and/or explain their answers
- Support organizational skills
- Check daily planner
- Encourage student to their proofread work
- Assign a peer buddy
- Build on students' strengths based on Multiple Intelligences: Linguistic (verbal); Logical (reasoning); Musical/Rhythmic; Intrapersonal Intelligence (understanding of self); Visual Spatial Intelligence; Interpersonal Intelligence (the ability to interact with others effectively); Kinesthetic

(bodily); Naturalist Intelligence; and Learning Styles: Visual; Auditory; Tactile; Kinesthetic; Verbal

### **High Achieving:**

#### Extension Activities

- Allow for student choice from a menu of differentiated outcomes; choices grouped by complexity of thinking skills; variety of options enable students to work in the mode that most interests them
- Allow students to pursue independent projects based on their individual interests
- Provide enrichment activities that include more complex material
- Allow opportunities for peer collaboration and team-teaching
- Set individual goals
- Conduct research and provide presentation of appropriate topics
- Provide student opportunity to design surveys to generate and analyze data to be used in discussion
- Allow students to move through the assignment at their own pace (as appropriate)

### **Strategies to Differentiate to Meet the Needs of a Diverse Learning Population**

- Vocabulary Sorts-students engage with the vocabulary word by sorting into groups of similar/different rather than memorizing definitions
- Provide “Realia” (real life objects to relate to the five senses) and ask questions relating to the senses
- Role Play-students create or participate in role playing situations or Reader’s Theater
- Moving Circle-an inside and outside circle partner and discuss, circles moves to new partner (Refer to Kagan Differentiated Strategies)
- Brainstorm Carousel-Large Post Its around the room, group moves in a carousel to music. Group discusses topics and responses on paper. Groups rotate twice to see comments of others. (Refer to Kagan Differentiated Strategies)
- Gallery Walk-Objects, books, or student work is displayed. Students examine artifacts and rotate.
- Chunking-chunk reading, tests, questions, homework, etc to focus on particular elements.
- Think Pair Share Write
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- Note-taking -can be done through words, pictures, phrases, and sentences depending on level
- KWL (Know, Want to Know, Learned)/KWHL(Know, What to Know, How Will I Learn, learned)/KWLS (Know, Want to Know, Learned, Still Want to Know) /KWLQ (Know, What to Know, Learned, Questions I Still Have) Charts
- Corners Cooperative Learning Strategy:  
<http://cooperativelearningstrategies.pbworks.com/w/page/28234420/Corners>.
- Circle Map strategy- place the main topic in a small circle and add student ideas in a bigger circle around the topic. Students may use their native language with peers to brainstorm.
- Flexible grouping -as a whole class, small group, or with a partner, temporary groups are created:

- Jigsaw Activities -cooperative learning in a group, each group member is responsible for becoming an "expert" on one section of the assigned material and then "teaching" it to the other members of the team: <http://www.adlit.org/strategies/22371/>.

<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 2 The Thriller of Horror
<b>Suggested Time Frame</b>	6 Weeks

### Overview / Rationale

Unit 2 theme “The Thriller of Horror” students will learn about the horror genre and why people enjoy scary stories. This unit will examine how to analyze literary criticism, suspense, theme, and mood. Students will know how to analyze digital texts, analyze structure and meter, and describe the use of figurative language, make predictions, and analyze novels.

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### **Social Studies Connections:**

Social Studies Standard 6.2.8GeoHE4c

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#### **LBGT and Special Needs Mandate** **Disabilities: Cognitive Disabilities**

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 Self Management

#### **Amistad**

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- Provide enrichment activities that include more complex material
- Allow opportunities for peer collaboration and team-teaching
- Set individual goals
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- Allow students to move through the assignment at their own pace (as appropriate)

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- Think Pair Share Write
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- KWL (Know, Want to Know, Learned)/KWHL(Know, What to Know, How Will I Learn, learned)/KWLS (Know, Want to Know, Learned, Still Want to Know) /KWLQ (Know, What to Know, Learned, Questions I Still Have) Charts
- Corners Cooperative Learning Strategy:  
<http://cooperativelearningstrategies.pbworks.com/w/page/28234420/Corners>.
- Circle Map strategy- place the main topic in a small circle and add student ideas in a bigger circle around the topic. Students may use their native language with peers to brainstorm.
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- Jigsaw Activities -cooperative learning in a group, each group member is responsible for becoming an "expert" on one section of the assigned material and then "teaching" it to the other members of the team: <http://www.adlit.org/strategies/22371/>.

<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 3 Places We Call Home
<b>Suggested Time Frame</b>	6 Weeks

<b>Overview / Rationale</b>
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W.IW.8.2. Write informative/explanatory texts (including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

W.NW.8.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

W.WP.8.4. With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, sustaining effort to complete complex writing tasks; seeking out assistance, models, sources or feedback to improve understanding or refine final products; focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.

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L.VL.8.3. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, including technical meanings, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

L.VI.8.4. Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

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SL.UM.8.5. Integrate multimedia and visual displays into presentations to clarify information, strengthen claims and evidence, and add interest.

SL.AS.8.6. Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.

### **Social Studies Connections:**

Social Studies Standard 6.3.8CivicsDP.1

Studies Standard 6.3.8Civics DP.3

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### **Computer Science and Design Thinking**

Computing Science

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#### Key Skills

- Act as a responsible and contributing community member and employee.
- Attend to financial well-being.
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- Work productively in teams while using cultural/global competence

#### **Holocaust**

**“A Common Bond: Teens Forge Friendships Despite Differences”: Brooke Hauser**

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**Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Mandate: N.J.S.A 18A:35-4.44:**

**Spirit Walking in the Tundra, Poem by Joy Harjo  
Inside Out and Back Again Novel in verse by Thannha Lai  
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<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 4 The Fight for Freedom
<b>Suggested Time Frame</b>	6 Weeks

<b>Overview / Rationale</b>
Unit 4 theme “The Fight for Freedom” students will learn about the Civil War and how enslaved people risked their lives to free themselves and others. This unit includes analyzing the author's point of view, analyzing elements of documentary, primary sources, autobiography, realistic fiction, character qualities, drama, and free verse. Students will determine key ideas, analyze text structure, and reflect on the year with the completion of a capstone project.

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### **Social Studies Connections:**

Social Studies Standard 6-8.D.3.2.6-8

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### **Computer Science and Design Thinking**

#### **Computing Science**

8.2.8.ITH.5: Compare the impacts of a given technology on different societies, noting factors that may make a technology appropriate and sustainable in one society but not in another.

- 8.2.8.EC.1: Explain ethical issues that may arise from the use of new technologies.

### **Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills**

TECH.9.4.8.GCA.2 Demonstrate openness to diverse ideas and perspectives through active discussions to achieve a group goal.

TECH.9.4.8.CT.2 Develop multiple solutions to a problem and evaluate short- and long-term effects to determine the most plausible option (e.g., MS-ETS1-4, 6.1.8.CivicsDP.1).

TECH.9.4.8.IML.13 Identify the impact of the creator on the content, production, and delivery of information (e.g., 8.2.8.ED.1).

TECH.9.4.8.DC.7 Collaborate within a digital community to create a digital artifact using strategies such as crowdsourcing or digital surveys.

TECH.9.4.8.DC.4 Explain how information shared digitally is public and can be searched, copied, and potentially seen by public audiences.

#### Key Skills

- Act as a responsible and contributing community member and employee.
- Attend to financial well-being.
- Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decision
- Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management
- Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.
- Use technology to enhance productivity, increase collaboration and communicate effectively.
- Work productively in teams while using cultural/global competence

#### **Holocaust**

#### **LGBT and Special Needs Mandate**

#### **Social and Emotional Learning Competencies**

Self Awareness  
Responsible Decision Making  
Relationship Skills  
Social Awareness  
Self Management

#### **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**

***From Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglas, American Slave: Frederick Douglas***  
***From, Aharriet Tubman Conductor on the Underground Railroad***

***Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Mandate: N.J.S.A 18A:35-4.44:***

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Student Resources
<p>Rich selection of diverse books  Reading/Writing Companion  Literature Anthology  Flexible Reader's Choice Texts  Flexible Long Read Options  Online access Tool ED  Peer Coach Videos: Analyze Cause and Effect Text Structures  Anchor Chart: Analyze Cause and Effect Text Structures  Level Up: Biographies and Autobiographies, cause and effect organization  Peer Coach Videos: Analyze Characterization and Analyze Tone  Level Up: Methods of Characterization and Tone  Peer Coach Video: Analyze Figurative Language and Determine Text Structure</p>

Anchor Chart: Analyze Figurative Language and Determine Text Structure  
Level Up; Figurative Language and Chronological Order  
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Interactive Writing and Collaboration tool “Writable”  
HMH Text Library

#### **Teacher Resources**

Teacher’s Edition Into Literature  
Unit Planning Guides  
Online access “Teacher Corner”  
Notice and Note Handbook  
Digital Tools  
HMH Text Library

#### **Stage 2 – Assessment Evidence**

##### **Pre-Assessments:**

- Placement and Diagnostic Assessment

##### **Formative Assessments:**

- Selection Tests
- Comprehension Quizzes
- Participation in class discussions/debates
- Exit tickets
- Daily Lesson Checks and Correct & Redirect Opportunities in Teacher’s Guide
- Conference notes
- Small group work notes
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##### **Benchmarks**

- IXL, I-Ready or Commonlit

##### **Summative Assessments:**

- Unit Test
- IXL or Iready Assessment

#### **Stage 3 – Learning Plan**

#### **Unit 4: Recommended Activities, Investigations, Interdisciplinary Connections, and/or Student Experiences to Explore within Unit**

- from Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
- The Drummer Boy of Shiloh
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- Not My Bones
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- Writing: Draw Evidence from Informational Texts
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## Accommodations/Modifications

*Below please find a list of suggestions for accommodations and modifications to meet the diverse needs of our students. Teachers should consider this a resource and understand that they are not limited to the recommendations included below.*

An **accommodation** *changes HOW a student learns*; the change needed does not alter the grade-level standard. A **modification** *changes WHAT a student learns*; the change alters the grade-level expectation.

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- Have students repeat directions
- Use of small group instruction
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Ask students to restate information, directions, and assignments
- Repetition and time for additional practice
- Model skills/techniques to be mastered
- Extended time to complete task/assignment/work
- Provide a copy of class notes
- Strategic seating (with a purpose - eg. less distraction)
- Flexible seating
- Repetition and additional practice
- Use of manipulatives
- Use of assistive technology (as appropriate)
- Assign a peer buddy
- Emphasize key words or critical information by highlighting
- Use of graphic organizers



- Scaffold with prompts for sentence starters
- Check for understanding with more frequency
- Provide oral reminders and check student work during independent practice
- Chunk the assignment - broken up into smaller units, work submitted in phases
- Encourage student to proofread assignments and tests
- Provide regular home/school communication
- Teacher checks student planner
- Provide students with clear expectations in writing and grading criteria for assignments (rubrics)

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- Alter materials and requirements according to Can Do Descriptors
- Adjust number of paragraphs or length of writing according to their Can Do Descriptor
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- Extended time
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<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 5 Finding Your Path
<b>Suggested Time Frame</b>	6 Weeks

### Overview / Rationale

Unit 5 theme “Finding Your Path”students will consider how the challenges of the teen years prepare them for their future as adults. This unit will analyze plot, character and narrative structure; analyze graphical elements and literary devices; analyze author’s purpose and free verse poetry; make references, analyze argument and counter-argument, and analyze rhetorical devices.

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**Poem Identity by Julio Noboa Polanco**

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- Use of self-assessment rubrics
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- Extended time
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**High Achieving:****Extension Activities**

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- Provide enrichment activities that include more complex material
- Allow opportunities for peer collaboration and team-teaching
- Set individual goals
- Conduct research and provide presentation of appropriate topics
- Provide student opportunity to design surveys to generate and analyze data to be used in discussion
- Allow students to move through the assignment at their own pace (as appropriate)

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- Think Pair Share Write
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- KWL (Know, Want to Know, Learned)/KWHL(Know, What to Know, How Will I Learn, learned)/KWLS (Know, Want to Know, Learned, Still Want to Know) /KWLQ (Know, What to Know, Learned, Questions I Still Have) Charts
- Corners Cooperative Learning Strategy:  
<http://cooperativelearningstrategies.pbworks.com/w/page/28234420/Corners>.
- Circle Map strategy- place the main topic in a small circle and add student ideas in a bigger circle around the topic. Students may use their native language with peers to brainstorm.
- Flexible grouping -as a whole class, small group, or with a partner, temporary groups are created:
- Jigsaw Activities -cooperative learning in a group, each group member is responsible for becoming an "expert" on one section of the assigned material and then "teaching" it to the other members of the team: <http://www.adlit.org/strategies/22371/>.

<b>Unit Plan Title</b>	Unit 6 The Legacy of Anne Frank
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### **Overview / Rationale**

Unit 6 theme “The Legacy of Anne Frank”students will learn about the Holocaust, mainly through the eyes of Anne Frank, a young Jewish victim who wrote about her experience hiding from the Nazis with her family. This unit includes analyzing the author's point of view, analyzing elements of documentary, primary sources, autobiography, realistic fiction, character qualities, drama, and free verse. Students will determine key ideas, analyze text structure, and reflect on the year with the completion of a capstone project.

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- Alter materials and requirements according to Can Do Descriptors
- Adjust number of paragraphs or length of writing according to their Can Do Descriptor
- TPR (Total Physical Response-Sheltered Instruction strategy) Demonstrate concepts through multi sensory forms such as with body language, intonation
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Repetition and additional practice
- Model skills and techniques to be mastered
- Native Language translation (peer, assistive technology, bilingual dictionary)
- Emphasize key words or critical information by highlighting
- Use of graphic organizers
- Scaffold with prompts for sentence starters
- Check for understanding with more frequency
- Use of self-assessment rubrics
- Increase one-on-one conferencing; frequent check ins
- Use study guide to organize materials
- Make vocabulary words available in a student created vocabulary notebook, vocabulary bank, Word Wall, or vocabulary ring
- Extended time
- Select text complexity and tiered vocabulary according to Can Do Descriptors
- Projects completed individually or with partners
- Use online dictionary that includes images for words:  
<http://visual.merriamwebster.com/>.
- Use an online translator to assist students with pronunciation:  
[http://www.reverso.net/text\\_translation.aspx?lang=EN](http://www.reverso.net/text_translation.aspx?lang=EN).

**Students at Risk of Failure:**

- Use of self-assessment rubrics for check-in
- Pair visual prompts with verbal presentations
- Ask students to restate information and/or directions
- Opportunity for repetition and additional practice
- Model skills/techniques to be mastered
- Extended time
- Provide copy of class notes
- Strategic seating with a purpose
- Provide student opportunity to make corrections and/or explain their answers
- Support organizational skills
- Check daily planner
- Encourage student to their proofread work
- Assign a peer buddy
- Build on students' strengths based on Multiple Intelligences: Linguistic (verbal); Logical (reasoning); Musical/Rhythmic; Intrapersonal Intelligence (understanding of self); Visual Spatial Intelligence; Interpersonal Intelligence (the ability to interact with others effectively); Kinesthetic (bodily); Naturalist Intelligence; and Learning Styles: Visual; Auditory; Tactile; Kinesthetic; Verbal

**High Achieving:****Extension Activities**

- Allow for student choice from a menu of differentiated outcomes; choices grouped by complexity of thinking skills; variety of options enable students to work in the mode that most interests them
- Allow students to pursue independent projects based on their individual interests
- Provide enrichment activities that include more complex material
- Allow opportunities for peer collaboration and team-teaching
- Set individual goals
- Conduct research and provide presentation of appropriate topics
- Provide student opportunity to design surveys to generate and analyze data to be used in discussion
- Allow students to move through the assignment at their own pace (as appropriate)

**Strategies to Differentiate to Meet the Needs of a Diverse Learning Population**

- Vocabulary Sorts-students engage with the vocabulary word by sorting into groups of similar/different rather than memorizing definitions
- Provide "Realia" (real life objects to relate to the five senses) and ask questions relating to the senses

- Role Play-students create or participate in role playing situations or Reader's Theater
- Moving Circle-an inside and outside circle partner and discuss, circles moves to new partner (Refer to Kagan Differentiated Strategies)
- Brainstorm Carousel-Large Post Its around the room, group moves in a carousel to music. Group discusses topics and responses on paper. Groups rotate twice to see comments of others. (Refer to Kagan Differentiated Strategies)
- Gallery Walk-Objects, books, or student work is displayed. Students examine artifacts and rotate.
- Chunking-chunk reading, tests, questions, homework, etc to focus on particular elements.
- Think Pair Share Write
- Think Talk Write
- Think Pair Share
- Note-taking -can be done through words, pictures, phrases, and sentences depending on level
- KWL (Know, Want to Know, Learned)/KWHL(Know, What to Know, How Will I Learn, learned)/KWLS (Know, Want to Know, Learned, Still Want to Know) /KWLQ (Know, What to Know, Learned, Questions I Still Have) Charts
- Corners Cooperative Learning Strategy:  
<http://cooperativelearningstrategies.pbworks.com/w/page/28234420/Corners>.
- Circle Map strategy- place the main topic in a small circle and add student ideas in a bigger circle around the topic. Students may use their native language with peers to brainstorm.
- Flexible grouping -as a whole class, small group, or with a partner, temporary groups are created:
- Jigsaw Activities -cooperative learning in a group, each group member is responsible for becoming an "expert" on one section of the assigned material and then "teaching" it to the other members of the team: <http://www.adlit.org/strategies/22371/>.