Curriculum Framework for CaGE (Civics, Geography and ELA)¹

School: <u>Delaware STEM Academy</u>	Curricular Tools: <u>DE Social Studies Coalition and</u>	Grade: <u>9</u>	Teacher:	
	New Tech Network Project Library			

The content of this curriculum map will be taught in a daily block of 90 minutes.

Unit Concept	Essential Questions	Assessments
Big Ideas	Student Learning Targets	

Project One: The Rights of Citizens

Social Studies Concepts: Great Depression, migrant farmers, Bill of Rights, US Constitution

Central to the American ideal is equality and our rights as citizens. In this project, students look at the struggle for equality, recognizing that despite major advances, the struggle continues. Students will learn about their rights as citizens and, how and why they have rights. Examining the *Bill of Rights* and *United States Constitution* will establish a foundational understanding of governmental structure that students will utilize as they begin analyzing and questioning the treatment of citizens within our society. After reviewing models, students will write a legal brief, analyzing which current civil rights were violated on the ranch in the novel *Of Mice and Men*. The reading of the anchor text, *Of Mice and Men* will be supplemented with additional nonfiction articles.

ELA Concepts: Character development, setting

Within this project, the anchor text *Of Mice and Men* will be used as a platform for discussion and exploration of citizen's rights. Although they are an unlikely pair: George is "small and quick and dark of face"; Lennie, a man of tremendous size, has the mind of a young child. Yet they have formed a "family," clinging together in the face of loneliness and alienation. Laborers in California's dusty vegetable fields, they hustle work when they can, living a hand-to-mouth existence. For George and Lennie have a plan: to own an acre of land and a shack they can call their own. Using this anchor text as a point of reference, students will form opinions regarding the rights of citizens, and how those rights are honored. Students will investigate current social issues, such as elderly euthanasia, the Die with Dignity Act, and personal rights in a free society. Students will read additional pieces of literature that explore the themes in *Of Mice and Men* and which can be compared and contrasted.

Driving Question: What is the difference between our rights as citizens and "the right thing to do"?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

Of Mice and Men- John Steinbeck

http://www.lausd.k12.ca.us/Belmont_HS/mice/

¹The CaGE curriculum map was approved by DDOE in the spring of 2013 as part of the First State Military Academy's curriculum, and is the same 9th grade integrated course offered at the Delaware New Tech Academy @ Seaford HS. The choice to adopt it at the Delaware STEM Academy is intentional to create opportunities for networking and shared curriculum resources across Delaware's three New Tech High Schools.



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http://dia.delawareworks.com/labor-law/

The Life You Save May Be Your Own-Flannery O'Connor

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/default.shtml

Social Studies Standards

Civics Standard Two: Students will understand the principles and ideals underlying the American political system [Politics].

9-12b: Students will understand that the functioning of the government is a dynamic process which combines the formal balances of power incorporated in the Constitution with traditions, precedents, and interpretations which have evolved over the past 200 years.

Civics Standard Three: Students will understand the responsibilities, rights, and privileges of United States citizens [Citizenship].

9-12a: Students will understand that citizens are individually responsible for keeping themselves informed about public policy issues on the local, state, and federal levels; participating in the civic process; and upholding the laws of the land.

Geography Standard Three: Students will develop an understanding of the diversity of human culture and the unique nature of places [PLACES].

9-12a: Students will understand the processes which result in distinctive cultures, economic activity, and settlement form in particular locations across the world

ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**

By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. **CC9RL10**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts. **CC9-10RI9**

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC9-10W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC9-10W2a**

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. **CC9-10W2e** Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). **CC9-10W2f**



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Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC9-10W4**

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. **CC9-10W7**Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. **CC9-10W8**

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 9-10 topics*, *texts*, *and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

CC9-10SL1c

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented. **CC9-10SL1d**

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence.

CC9-10SL3

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC9-10L1

Use parallel structure.* CC9-10L1a

Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations. **CC9-10L1b**

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC9-10L3

Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., *MLA Handbook*, Turabian's *Manual for Writers*) appropriate for the discipline and writing type. **CC9-10L3a**

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. CC9-10L5 Interpret figures of speech (e.g., euphemism, oxymoron) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC9-10L5a Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC9-10L5b

Reading Standard for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Analyze in detail a series of events described in a text; determine whether earlier events caused later ones or simply preceded them. **CC9-10RH/SS3**Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary describing political, social, or economic aspects of history/social studies. **CC9-10RH/SS4**



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Social Studies Big Ideas	Social Studies Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative
The principles and ideals underlying American	What problems would arise if a government failed to adapt to	Assessments:
democracy are designed to promote the freedom of	changing needs and desires of the people?	Reading response logs
the American people.		Teacher observation of whole
700	To what extent do the structures and traditional processes of	class, individual and
Effective citizens are committed to protecting	government minimize the dangers of change?	collaborative work sessions
rights for themselves, other citizens, and future		Whole class discussions
generations, by upholding their civic	Why are some places more culturally diverse or similar than others?	 Daily quickwrites
responsibilities and are aware of the potential		Quizzes
consequences of inaction.	To what extent does the culture of a place change over time?	Exit tickets
Distinctions between a sitings's mights	ELA Essatistica	Daily journals
Distinctions between a citizen's rights,	ELA Essential Questions:	Study questions
responsibilities, and privileges help to define the requirements and limits of personal freedom.	Do all citizens share the same equal rights?	Literature circle notes
requirements and finits of personal freedom.	When is one person's right more or less important than another's?	Socratic seminar discussions
Places are unique associations of natural	when is one person's right more or less important than another s?	Individual check-ins with
environments and human cultural modifications.	Social Studies Learning Targets:	students
environments and numan cultural modifications.	Identify and interpret sources and examples of the rights and	Using rubrics, checklists,
Concepts of site and situation can explain the	responsibilities of citizens.	feedback post-it, annotations,
uniqueness of places. As site or situation change,	 Define the term civil rights. 	reflections, conference logs,
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so also does the character of a place.	Understand the differing meanings of the word equality. Description Descript	
ELA Big Ideas	Describe the importance of the Fourteenth Amendment in providing equal protection.	Suggested Summative
Novelists often provide insights about the human		Assessments:
experience, exploring them through fiction.	• Explain the slow evolution of civil rights for minority groups.	Legal brief
	Describe the expansion of our understanding of civil rights as a	Letter
Integrated Big Ideas:	protection against gender discrimination.	
Social circumstance can present barriers and	Learn about newer demands for guarantees of equality on behalf of those with disabilities.	
challenges to constitutional rights.	benail of those with disabilities.	
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	ELA Learning Targets: Translate the <i>Bill of Rights</i> and <i>Constitution</i> into contemporary	
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	language Understand how sitizen's rights play a rale in Of Miss and Man	
	 Understand how citizen's rights play a role in <i>Of Mice and Men</i> Reflect on what "free will" means and if/how it plays a role in 	
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	Contrast characters' constitutional rights with the limitations of their role in against.	
	their role in society.	



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Project Two: Responsibilities of Citizenship (Delaware Model Unit)

Social Studies Concepts: Citizenship

Instruction in this benchmark emphasizes participatory responsibilities. Students will understand why citizens need to inform themselves on issues involving all levels of government, why they need to participate in the civic process, and why they should help uphold the laws of the land. This requires understanding the consequences of failing to fulfill these responsibilities. American democracy imposes a cost on its citizens. For government to be effective, it must have an effective citizenry that understands what is required to maintain individual freedoms and liberties. Citizens have responsibilities that, if met, ensure the health of American democracy. Citizens should hold governmental officials accountable by: voting and keeping informed; contributing to the common defense through military service if necessary; checking the judicial powers of government and safeguarding the rights of the accused by serving on juries; contributing to public safety and order by obeying the law and reporting violations of the law; and performing public service when the need arises.

ELA Concepts: Research

Reading anchor texts such as *Farewell to Manzanar*, students will internalize citizenship and examine life through the lens of Japanese Americans during World War II, during which time a community called Manzanar was hastily created in the high mountain desert country of California, east of the Sierras. Its purpose was to house thousands of Japanese American internees. At age thirty-seven, Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston recalls life at Manzanar through the eyes of the child she was. She tells of her fear, confusion, and bewilderment as well as the dignity and great resourcefulness of people in oppressive and demeaning circumstances. Students will connect this anchor text to current social issues such as racial profiling and the treatment of illegal immigrants in the United States through reading current non-fiction articles. Students will extend these themes be reading Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, examining fate verses freewill, and how fate and freedom coexist within a democracy. Students investigate the notion of living in fear, making connections to terroristic activity and our response as citizens, and a nation, to such acts.

Driving Question: How do we educate our community on the importance of being a responsible citizen?

Timeline: 7 weeks

Resources:

Farewell to Manzanar, published by Jeanne Wakatsuki and James D. Houston Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare http://www.doe.k12.de.us/default.shtml

Social Studies Standards

Civics Standard Three: Students will understand the responsibilities, rights, and privileges of United States citizens [Citizenship].

9-12a: Students will understand that citizens are individually responsible for keeping themselves informed about public policy issues on the local, state, and federal levels; participating in the civic process; and upholding the laws of the land.

ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined



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by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. CC9-10RL2

Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**

Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare). **CC9-10RL9**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RI1**Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RI2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper). **CC9-10RI4**

Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account. **CC9-10RI7**

Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning. **CC9-10RI8**

Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts. **CC9-10RI9**

Writing Standards

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. **CC9-10W4**Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. **CC9-10W7**Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. **CC9-10W8**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research CC9-10W9

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 9-10 topics*, *texts, and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

- a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC9-10SL1a**
- b. Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. **CC9-10SL1b**



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Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC9-10L1

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

c. Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 9-10 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC9-10L4**

- a. Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. **CC9-10L4a**
- b. Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., analyze, analysis, analytical; advocate, advocacy). **CC9-10L4b**
- c. Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, or its etymology. **CC9-10L4c**
- d. Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). **CC9-10L4d** Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. **CC9-10L5**
- a. Interpret figures of speech (e.g., euphemism, oxymoron) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC9-10L5a
- b. Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC9-10L5b

Reading Standard for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, attending to such features as the date and origin of the information. **CC9-10RH/SS1**

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of how key events or ideas develop over the course of the text. **CC9-10RH/SS2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary describing political, social, or economic aspects of history/social studies. CC9-10RH/SS4

Compare the point of view of two or more authors for how they treat the same or similar topics, including which details they include and emphasize in their respective accounts. **CC9-10RH/SS6**

Compare and contrast treatments of the same topic in several primary and secondary sources. CC9-10RH/SS9

Social Studies Big Ideas

Effective citizens are committed to protecting rights for themselves, other citizens, and future generations by upholding their civic responsibilities and are aware of the potential consequences of inaction.

ELA Big Ideas:

Knowing how to alter writing for a desired audience increases a document's intended success.

Social Studies Essential Questions:

Why is it important for citizens to become informed about candidates and stay informed after the election?

Why should citizens attempt to influence elected officials?

Why do special interest groups play an important role in American citizens influencing their elected officials?

ELA Essential Questions:

Suggested Formative

Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Ouizzes



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	How do I find the right information?	Exit tickets
Good readers use strong textual evidence,	How do I gather original data?	Daily journals
connections to their own lives, and their		Study questions
background knowledge to make inferences about	How is the definition and interpretation of citizenship altered by	 Literature circle notes
what they read and to draw conclusions.	point of view and perspective?	 Socratic seminar discussions
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Integrated Big Ideas:	How does reading a variety of texts help me understand the world	students
Gathering appropriate information is important to	around me?	 Using rubrics, checklists,
success in school and everyday life		feedback post-it, annotations,
Daine on informed account of mint and divital	Social Studies Learning Targets:	reflections, conference logs,
Being an informed consumer of print and digital information allows one to make educated	Students will be able to describe why citizens are individually	anecdotal records
decisions.	responsible for keeping themselves informed about public	Surveys
decisions.	policy issues on the local, state, and federal levels.	Analyze results
	• Students will be able to describe why participating in the civic	
	process is important.	Suggested Summative
	• Students will be able to describe why upholding the laws of the	Assessments:
	land is important.	***Problem -A high percentage of
		citizens do not stay informed, do not
	ELA Learning Targets:	participate in the civic process (such
	Students will be able to analyze a political cartoon.	as voting), and fail to uphold the
	Students will be able to adapt to varied roles and	laws of the land.
	responsibilities.	***D 1 4/D 6
	• Students will be able to act responsibly with the interests of the	***Product/Performance-
	larger community in mind.	After the survey results are calculated, the storyboard should
	Students will be able to demonstrate ethical behavior in	focus on persuading citizens to be
	personal, workplace, and community contexts.	more active and fulfill their civic
	Students will conduct a short as research projects to answer a	responsibilities. Each storyboard
	question or solve a problem, demonstrating understanding of	page will focus on a different
	the subject under investigation.	statistic and the consequences of the
	Students will analyze how and why individuals, events, and	statistic. Overall, are people
	ideas develop and interact over the course of a text	fulfilling this civic responsibility or
	Students will read closely to determine what the text says	not? If not, what could be done to
	explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific	increase this statistic? From survey
	textual evidence when writing or speaking to support	data collected, create a 3-5 minute
	conclusions drawn from the text.	video or podcast.
	• Students will create a 3-5 minute web video or podcast	
	• Students will conduct a survey of at least 25 people as part of a	ELA Assessment: Manual or



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	mini-research project.	introductory guide to a topic assessed using a rubric

Project Three: Project Citizen

Social Studies Concept: Citizenship

This unit requires students to demonstrate and use effective citizenship skills. The high school benchmarks require students to work with government programs and agencies, plus understand the process of working within a political party, a commission engaged in examining public policy, or a citizens' group. Project Citizen, organized by the Center for Civic Education, is an ideal format for students to explore relevant community problems and then use skills developed throughout this unit to attempt to influence future public policy and solve an identified problem. This project will contrast with the literature read in the ELA portion.

ELA Concept: Persuasion and Argument

Examining anchor texts such as *The Wave* and *Maus*, students will analyze themes of citizenship. *The Wave* is a novel that dramatizes an incident that took place in a California school in 1969. A teacher creates an experimental movement in his class to help students understand how people could have followed Hitler. The highly disciplined group, modeled on the principles of the Hilter Youth, has its own salute, chants, and special ways of acting as a unit and sweeps beyond the class and throughout the school, evolving into a society willing to give up freedom for regimentation and blind obedience to their leader. *Maus* is a story of a Jewish survivor of Hitler's Europe and his son, a cartoonist who tries to come to terms with his father's story. Conformity and oppression will be introduced through these anchor texts, along with supplemental literature, excerpts, and video portrayals. Students will explore the concepts of public policy and propaganda, linking these themes in literature to the Social Studies concepts.

Driving Question: What prevents citizens' active participation on public government and policy?

Timeline: 7 weeks

Resources:

http://www.pbs.org/democracy/buildyourowncampaign/lesson_plans.html "Speech to the Second Virginia Convention" by Patrick Henry (1775) *The Wave* by Todd Strasser *Maus* by Art Spiegelman *White Lilacs* by Carolyn Meyer "The Wave" (video, 2008) http://www.doe.k12.de.us/default.shtml

Social Studies Standards

Civics Standard 4a: Students will develop and employ the civic skills necessary for effective, participatory citizenship [Participation].

Civics Standard 4b: Students will understand the process of working within a political party, a commission engaged in examining public policy, or a citizen's group.



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ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Literature

Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone). **CC9-10RL4**Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**

Reading Standard for Informational Text

Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter). **CC9-10RI5**

Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts. **CC9-10RI9**

Writing Standards

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. **CC9-10W1** Produce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC9-10W1a**

Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented. CC9-10W1e

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC9-10W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC9-10W2a**

Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. **CC9-10W2b**

Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CC9-10W2c

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 9-10 topics*, *texts*, *and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions. **CC9-10SL1c**

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and



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understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented. CC9-10SL1d

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. **CC9-10SL4**

Reading Standard for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, attending to such features as the date and origin of the information. CC9-10RH/SS1

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of how key events or ideas develop over the course of the text. CC9-10RH/SS2

Analyze how a text uses structure to emphasize key points or advance an explanation or analysis. **CC9-10RH/SS5** Compare and contrast treatments of the same topic in several primary and secondary sources. **CC9-10RH/SS9**

Social Studies Big Ideas

Effective citizens can research issues, form reasoned opinions, support their positions, and engage in the political process.

Effective governance requires responsible participation from diverse individuals who translate beliefs and ideas into lawful action and policy.

ELA Big Ideas:

Persuasive techniques can be used to craft a presentation that will influence others and defend a position.

Literature can provide a case study to understand human nature.

Integrated Big Ideas:

Active citizenship is critical to living in a democracy and free society.

The concept of citizenship and the actions and interactions between citizens is contradictory throughout history.

Social Studies Essential Questions:

How should private citizens and interest groups most effectively communicate with government programs and agencies?

How do stakeholders work with government to influence policy?

How should a citizen communicate with a government agency to influence the decisions of that agency?

How should groups engaged in political activities organize to accomplish their goals?

How does one get involved with a political party?

How does one get heard by a commission examining public policy?

What is a citizens' group and how do they operate?

ELA Essential Questions:

How can I defend a position and effectively influence others?

How is information interpreted and presented clearly and logically in order to inform an audience?

What strategies and techniques do writers use to persuade and influence others?

Suggested Formative

Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative

Assessments:

***Problem -Many teens throughout the U.S. do not feel that



Unit Concept	Essential Questions	Assessments
Big Ideas	Student Learning Targets	
	 Social Studies Learning Targets: Students will know why it is important to be an active participant in public policy decision making. Students will understand how different stakeholders work with government to influence public policy. Students will be able to describe how a government commission examines public policy issues. Students will understand how lobbyists and citizens groups can affect public policy making efforts. Students will be able to identify public policy issues in their community. 	they have a voice in public policy decision making. You were asked by the National Council for Civic Education to lead your state in marketing their new campaign to convince teens that they need to participate in local, state, and/or national public policy decision making by either communicating with government programs and agencies, working within a political party, or joining a citizen's group.
	 ELA Learning Targets: Students will be able to implement research strategies to effectively gather information on a particular public policy issue. Students will be able to effectively communicate with government programs and agencies. Students will present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. Students will understand how human emotions, such as fear and the desire to belong, influence their decisions and impact others. Students will identify when and how conformity and oppression shaped our history. 	***Product/Performance - You are responsible for creating a state marketing product for the national campaign. The marketing product may take the form of a radio announcement, a poster, a television advertisement, or other appropriate format. (If a television ad is chosen you may use a storyboard to outline the ad rather than producing an actual video.) Regardless of the format, each product should include the following: • A slogan to persuade fellow teens that they should participate in public policy decision making • An explanation of public policy decisions that affect a variety of stakeholders, including U.S. teens. • At least three ways that teens can participate in public policy decision making.



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		effective way that teens can communicate with government programs and agencies with an explanation of why that method would be effective. • An explanation of how a group can be organized to accomplish the goal of affecting public policy with supporting reasoning.

Project Four: Regional Planning Unit

Social Studies Concepts: Regional Planning

This semester-long course provides instruction and measurement of student learning in high school-level geography. Geography is about the earth we inhabit and what we do with it. This project stresses the significance of *where* events (people, places, things) occur, how they got there and how they are related to other events elsewhere. Geography examines the consequences of those decisions. It allows us to understand how human society has arranged itself over the earth's surface, how Amazon forests have been turned into cattle pastures, how superhighways make neighbors of once distant Los Angeles and Phoenix, why Central Americans risk their lives to grow coffee on the slopes of active volcanoes. An enduring theme of geographical understanding is the different ways human cultures have responded to, and changed, the physical environment. Regional Planning investigates why events occur and where they occur, to help students understand how we have organized our land and life across the earth's surface and what that organization means for our future.

ELA Concepts: Reading Informational Text, Project Zip Code USA, Point of View

ELA will be integrated through 3 six-week long examinations. Informational anchor texts such as *Fast Food Nation* and *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* will be used to illustrate the relationship between Social Studies concepts and the world we live in today. Fast food, discussed by Schlosser in *Fast Food Nation*, has hastened the malling of our landscape, widened the chasm between rich and poor, fueled an epidemic of obesity, and propelled American cultural imperialism abroad. Conversely, author Barbara Kingsolver and her family abandoned the industrial-food pipeline, in *Animal, Vegetable, and Miracle*, to live a rural life, vowing that, for one year, they'd only buy food raised in their own neighborhood, grow it themselves, or learn to live without it. Part memoir, part journalistic investigation, *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* is an enthralling narrative that bridges the concepts of regional planning and everyday life.

Within Project Zip Code, students will write an article modeled after the "Zip Code USA" series in National Geographic Magazine. These articles will require students to investigate the current issues, geography, history, and demography of a city in Delaware and compare it to a city of their choosing in another part of the United States. Students will investigate perspectives in writing as they read similar topics told from various perspectives and analyze similarities and differences that exist among the texts.

Through reading anchor texts such as *The House on Mango Street*, along with other texts, students will examine geographical region through differing viewpoints. Told through a series of vignettes, *The House on Mango Street* is the story of a young Latina girl growing up in Chicago, inventing for herself who and what she will become. Modeling after the book *Seedfolks*, students will conduct an investigation of their neighborhoods, analyzing first-hand accounts and



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interviews of individuals and families who live on the same street as they do.

Driving Questions: How can students investigate the history, geography, demography, and current issues of a region? How can students communicate with professionals and use the information gathered to compose a detailed magazine article? How can students utilize informational texts and primary sources in order to compose an accurate representation of their neighborhood?

Timeline: 18 weeks

Resources:

http://nationalgeographic.com
Zip Code USA article from National Geographic
Fast Food Nation by Eric Schlosser
Animal, Vegetable, Miracle by Barbara Kingsolver
The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
Seedfolks by Paul Fleischman

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/default.shtml

Social Studies Standards

GEOGRAPHY STANDARD ONE: Students will develop a personal geographic framework, or "mental map," and understand the uses of maps and other geographics [MAPS].

Geography Standard One 9-12a: Students will identify geographic patterns which emerge when data is mapped, and analyze mapped patterns through the application of such common geographic principles as "hierarchy," "accessibility," "diffusion" and "complementarity."

Geography Standard One 9-12b: Students will apply the analysis of mapped patterns to the solution of problems.

GEOGRAPHY STANDARD THREE: Students will develop an understanding of the diversity of human culture and the unique nature of places [PLACES]. **Geography Standard Three 9-12a:** Students should understand the processes which result in distinctive cultures, economic activity and settlement form in particular locations across the world.

GEOGRAPHY STANDARD FOUR: Students will develop an understanding of the character and use of regions and the connections between and among them [REGIONS].

Geography Standard Four 9-12a: Students will apply knowledge of the types of regions and methods of drawing boundaries to interpret the Earth's changing complexity.

ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**

Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world



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literature. CC9-10RL6

Analyze the representation of a subject or a key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each treatment (e.g., Auden's "Musée des Beaux Arts" and Breughel's *Landscape with the Fall of Icarus*). **CC9-10RL7**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them. **CC9-10RI3**

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how an author uses rhetoric to advance that point of view or purpose. **CC9-10RI6** Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account. **CC9-10RI7**

By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. **CC9-10RI10**

Speaking and Listening Standards

- a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. CC9-10SL1a
- **b.** Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. **CC9-10SL1b**

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source. **CC9-10SL2**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC9-10SL5**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

Use a semicolon (and perhaps a conjunctive adverb) to link two or more closely related independent clauses. CC9-10L2a

Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation. CC9-10L2b

Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 9-10 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC9-10L4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CC9-10L4a

Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., analyze, analysis, analytical; advocate, advocacy).

CC9-10L4b

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, or its etymology. **CC9-10L4c**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). CC9-10L4d



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Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. **C9-10W2**

d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. CC9-10W2d

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. **CC9-10W3**

- a. Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events. CC9-10W3a
- b. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters. CC9-10W3b
- c. Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole. CC9-10W3c
- d. Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. CC9-10W3d
- e. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative. **CC9-10W3e**Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. **CC9-10W5**

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically. CC9-10W6

Reading and Writing Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of how key events or ideas develop over the course of the text. **CC9-10RH/SS2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary describing political, social, or economic aspects of history/social studies. CC9-10RH/SS4

Compare and contrast treatments of the same topic in several primary and secondary sources. CC9-10RH/SS9

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently **CC9-10RH/SS10**

Social Studies Big Ideas:	Social Studies Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative		
Mental maps summarize differences and	How is competition or interaction between places influenced by	Assessments:		
similarities about places. These differences and	their relative location and accessibility?	 Reading response logs 		
similarities lead to conflict or cooperation and the		Teacher observation of whole		
exchange of goods and ideas between peoples.	Who plans for land use? Why are land use plans put into place?	class, individual and		
	This plans for this dock this are this good plans put into place.	collaborative work sessions		
The ways mapped patterns are analyzed and used	napped patterns are analyzed and used What geographic principles and tools are used by planners in local			
help solve societal problems.	communities?	 Daily quickwrites 		
		Quizzes		
		Exit tickets		



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Big Ideas	Student Learning Targets	
Maps can be used to distort or introduce bias into the information they portray.	How might the position of a place in a settlement hierarchy affect the life of the people in that place?	Daily journalsStudy questionsLiterature circle notes
Places are unique associations of natural environments and human cultural modifications.	How can diffusion patterns be used to understand, manage and predict movement over time?	Socratic seminar discussions Individual check-ins with students
Concepts of site and situation can explain the uniqueness of places. As site or situation change, so also does the character of a place.	How can governments around the world balance economic development and environmental concerns?	Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records
A region is a concept rather than a real object on the ground, used to simplify the diversity of places.	How can citizens affect comprehensive community planning decisions?	Suggested Summative Assessments:
Regions must have boundaries to exist, yet there advantages and disadvantages associated with any real or abstract feature used to draw a boundary.	How might societal problems be posed so that they are open to solution through geographic map analysis?	Social Studies Assessment: Presenting a problem Project Proposal and rubric
All physical phenomena and human activities exist in space as well as time.	How might regional analysis help to solve societal problems? To what extent are regional boundaries permanent?	Zip Code USA article and rubric Written communication rubric Zip Code USA story and rubric
Mental maps summarize differences and similarities about places. These differences and similarities lead to conflict or cooperation and the	What might cause them to change over time?	ELA Assessment: Cause/Effect essay contextualized to a student selected local regional
exchange of goods and ideas between peoples.	How might the position of a place in a settlement hierarchy affect the life of the people in that place?	planning case study.
The ways mapped patterns are analyzed and used help solve societal problems.	How might societal problems be posed so that they are open to solution through geographic map analysis?	
Maps can be used to distort or introduce bias into the information they portray.	Why are some places more culturally diverse or similar than others?	
Places are unique associations of natural environments and human cultural modifications.	To what extent does the culture of a place change over time?	
Concepts of site and situation can explain the uniqueness of places. As site or situation change,	To what extent are regional boundaries permanent? What might cause them to change over time?	



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so also does the character of a place.	ELA Essential Questions:	
	Which reading strategies are best used with informational texts?	
ELA Big Ideas Informational texts have specific structures and sequences.	How will reading strategies help me understand what I read?	
	How does literature help break down the walls of isolationism?	
Good readers use a variety of strategies to help them understand what they read.	How does literature help to spread culture?	
Point of View shapes the tone of a text.	How does an author's chosen point of view help to shape the tone of a text?	
Integrated Big Ideas Regions and their boundaries are not always permanent, since the conditions that created them	How can you write the "story" of a place?	
may have changed over time.	 Social Studies Learning Targets: Students will possess knowledge of geography and an ability to 	
Literature transcends regional boundaries, thereby spreading cultures.	apply a geographical perspective to life situations. Students will study the relationships of people, places, and environments from the perspective of where they occur, why they are there,	
Cultures and ideas transcend geographical	and what meaning those locations have for us.	
boundaries.	• Students will define and identify the geographic patterns upon analysis of mapped data patterns.	
Places have a story to tell.	Students will define isolationism, diffusion, accessibility, hierarchy, and complimentarity	
Parts, locations, and people of a place add up to a greater whole.	 Students will define isolationism, diffusion, accessibility, hierarchy, and complimentarity Students will identify details of specific researched places based on the concepts of diffusion, accessibility, hierarchy and complimentarity 	
	ELA Learning Targets:	
	Students will read and comprehend literary nonfiction and analysis how are author years that or is.	
	 analyze how an author uses rhetoric. Students will produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, 	
	purpose, and audience.	
	Students will read similar topics written from multiple perspective points and analyze reasons for similarities and	



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	differences in opinion. Students will identify isolationism and ways that literature has decreased isolationism. Students will identify ways in which literature helps to spread culture. Students will write a proposal for selected city. Students will research selected city in terms of demographics, geography and cultural aspects. Students will create the "story" of selected town in an article mimicking the style of the National Geographic article. Students will make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations. Students will write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. Students will analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text. Students will assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.	



Curriculum Framework for BioLit (Biology and ELA)¹

School: _	Delaware STEM Academy_	Curricular Tool:	Science Coalition, Science &	Grade: <u>10</u>	Teacher: _	
		Global Issues: Biolo	gy, New Tech Network Echo			

The content of this curriculum map will be taught in a daily block of 90 minutes.

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Project One: Evolution – Maintaining Diversity

Biology Content: This unit explores the nature of science and the theory of evolution by natural selection. Students investigate how science is distinguished from other ways of knowing by the use of empirical observations, experimental evidence, logical arguments, and healthy skepticism. Students also investigate how evolution explains the unity and diversity of species found on Earth and why evolution is important now as it is applied to current medical, agricultural, environmental, and other societal issues. After learning about biodiversity through various nonfiction texts, students will write a report that defines biodiversity and explains its importance within a local context.

ELA Content: Within this project, students will read and analyze anchor texts such as *Evolution: The Story of Life on Earth* and *Lord of the Flies*, and excerpts from Darwin's *Origin of a Species* to explore the concepts of evolution from a scientific and socio-cultural perspective. *Evolution* is a graphic novel that explains the history of life on earth by reviewing the fundamental concepts of evolution in a format that serves the dual purpose of entertainment and education. The themes about human nature that are developed in *Lord of the Flies* will be investigated with other readings on socio-cultural evolution. Students will consider the concept of diversity and consider why the groups of boys in the story become less civilized and less diverse. Students will write a point of view journal to consider characterization. Excerpts from Darwin's *The Origin of Species* as a seminal work the conception of evolution will also be investigated as supplemental text. Students will create a presentation on the accuracy of *Evolution* and

Potential Projects: Wanted: Dead or Alive, Solve Your Own Mystery: Classification and Dichotomous Keys, Biodiversity: A Case for Court, Winner Takes All: Engage in the Human Race

Timeline: 9 weeks

Resources:

Science and Global Issues: Biology, Lab Aids Evolution: The Story of Life on Earth by Jay Hosler

Lord of the Flies by William Golding The Origin of Species by Charles Darwin

¹ The BioLit curriculum map was approved by DDOE in the spring of 2013 as part of the First State Military Academy's curriculum, and is the same 10th grade integrated course offered at the Delaware New Tech Academy @ Seaford HS. The choice to adopt it at the Delaware STEM Academy is intentional to create opportunities for networking and shared curriculum resources across Delaware's three New Tech High Schools.

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Science Standards

As a member of the Science Coalition, the Delaware STEM Academy will adopt the biology curriculum recommended by the Science Coalition and aligned to Next Generation Science Standards. When those materials become available, the content will be integrated into BioLit.

ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone). **CC9-10RL4**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RI1**Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RI2**

Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them. **CC9-10RI3**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper). **CC9-10RI4**Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account. **CC9-10RI7**

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC9-10W2

- a. Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC9-10W2a**
- b. Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. **CC9-10W2b**
- c. Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. **CC9-10W2c**
- d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. CC9-10W2d
- e. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC9-



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f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). **CC9-10W2f**

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. CC9-10W4

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. **CC9-10W5**

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically. **CC9-10W6**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC9-10W9

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. **CC9-10W10**

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 9-10 topics*, *texts, and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

- a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC9-10SL1a**
- b. Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. **CC9-10SL1b**

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source. **CC9-10SL2**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. **CC9-10SL4**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. **CC9-10L1**

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

a. Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 9-10 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC9-10L4**

a. Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. **CC9-10L4a**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). **CC9-10L4d** Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. **CC9-10L5**

Reading Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects

Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text. CC9-10RS/TS2



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Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 9-10 texts and topics. CC9-10RS/TS4

Analyze the author's purpose in providing an explanation, describing a procedure, or discussing an experiment in a text, defining the question the author seeks to address. **CC9-10RS/TS6**

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC9-10RS/TS10** Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2**

- a. Introduce a topic and organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2a**
- b. Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. **CC9-1W0H/SS/S/TS2b**
- c. Use varied transitions and sentence structures to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2c
- d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic and convey a style appropriate to the discipline and context as well as to the expertise of likely readers. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2d**
- e. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2e
- f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2f

Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS8**

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS10**

Biology Concepts	Science Essential Questions:	Formative Assessments:
Biodiversity	How do we conserve genetic, species, and ecosystem	Teacher observation
Ecosystem services and humans' impact on species	diversity?	Graphic organizers
Natural selection and adaptation		Journal Entries
Darwin's research	How does natural selection encourage inter and intra-	KWLs
Geologic time	specific diversity over time?	Pre-tests Pre-tests
Interpreting the fossil record		Conferences
Phylogeny	What are the benefits to developing ecosystems services	Observations
Microevolution and macroevolution	and intrinsic value models for conservation?	Question and Answer Sessions
Biological species concept and specialization		First Drafts / Quizzes
The genetic basis of evolution	Why is sexual reproduction important to the survival of	Journals
	most species?	Interviews



Concepts/Big Ideas	Essential Questions/Learning Targets	Assessments
Concepts/Big Ideas ELA Concepts Cause and effect Literature as a means of expression Influence Conflict Symbolism Allegory Science Big Ideas: Each ecosystem differs from others in its varieties of species, genetic makeup of its species, and the evolutionary relationships of species. All of these levels of variation comprise the earth's biodiversity. The diversity and changing of life forms over many	Why is diversity important to a species' ability to survive? ELA Essential Questions: Why is it important to be able to see the parts that make a whole? What is the value of determining cause and effect? How does literature and other media express life experiences? What does it mean to be civilized? How do power and ambition influence the choices that people make? What role does conflict play in a civilized society?	Short responses Quickwrites Tickets in/out of the door Participation in lab work Notetaking Summative Assessments: Tests on specific content Essays Informational reports/articles Free response Presentations Projects
The diversity and changing of life forms over many generations is the result of natural selection, in which organisms with advantageous traits survive, reproduce, and pass those traits to offspring. The diversity and changing of life forms over many generations is the result of natural selection, in which organisms with advantageous traits survive, reproduce, and pass those traits to offspring. ELA Big Ideas: People use analysis to look deeply into ideas in order to fully understand their meaning and structure.	 What is human nature and how do we know? Science Learning Targets: Study the evolutionary processes that produce biodiversity, what caused the subtle and dramatic shifts that occurred in the past, and how biodiversity might change in the future. Complete a project as a conservationist, focusing on understanding the biodiversity of an area in order to establish priorities for conservation of species. Debate how human activities affect biodiversity. Investigate the levels of biodiversity and the evolutionary processes that increase, decrease, or 	Model of key ideas Lab reports Portfolios Checklists/rubrics Debates
Communication enables us to gain and share information about self, others, and the world. The differences between those who are "civilized" and "savage" are reflected in culture. Dynamics of power and personality conflicts directly impacts people. The effects of war may result in a loss of innocence.	 maintain biodiversity. Examine humans' social, environmental, and economic influences on biodiversity, and make recommendations for which forest area on a fictitious island should receive funds for conservation. ELA Learning Targets: Explain cause and effect relationships within a text. Interpret the interdependence/interactions of characters, theme, setting, conflict, resolution. 	



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Conflict is unavoidable, can be violent, and responses to conflict are individual. The interaction of art, media and various modes of human expression and communication can combine in ways that are more impactful then words or visual art alone. Integrated Big Ideas:	 Judge the effectiveness of the author's use of literary devices and explains their use to convey meaning. Define and explain allegory and symbolism Analyze passages' imagery and symbolism Analyze cause and effect in the novel Analyze character traits vis-a-vis a novel's meaning Make connections to current political/social realities Build vocabulary through reading Explore the comics medium as a mode of communicating Develop an opinion about graphic novels as a way to 	
Within systems diversity is more beneficial to the whole than uniformity. Diverse populations are more likely to survive changing environments.	 acquire, practice, and master traditional and new literacies. Analyze formal structure as it relates to content of graphic novels Examine the special effects created in sequential art narrative Critically use, view, and analyze a variety of media. Compare graphic and literary forms of art. 	

Project Two: Cell Biology

Science Concepts: Diseases are caused by infectious microbes, such as bacteria and viruses, genetic factors, and other events that cause breakdowns in the structure or function of cells. The effects of diseases vary from mild to devastating and affect sustainability at the environmental, economic, and social level. Understanding the mechanisms of a disease is essential to people's ability to prevent, eradicate, and cure it and to maintain the sustainability of populations and communities. Students will examine several diseases and their social, environmental, and economic consequences. You will learn about the mechanism of these diseases at the cellular level, including an investigation of the role that antibiotics play in the evolution of resistant strains of bacteria. You will also investigate the structures and functions of normal cells and some of the processes that occur inside these cells. At the end of the unit, you will make recommendations for how best to allocate limited funding to address world health problems.

ELA Concepts: Students will examine the anchor texts *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley and *Utopia* from Sir Thomas Moore, comparing Huxley's creation of a utopian future where humans are genetically designed and pharmaceutically anesthetized to passively serve a ruling order, with excerpts from Moore's imagining of Utopia where he presents a solution to many of the social ills discussed within the text. Students will equate the structure and functions of cells to the structures and functions of their Utopian society. Disease being a disruption of the utopia created in the miraculous order of the cell or of society. Students will also read multiple nonfiction texts, including *When Plague Strikes* by James Cross Giblin to learn about major diseases that have changed the course of our history, culture, and society, disrupting the fabric of culture and society. Students will write several pieces comparing elements of the novel to the study of cells.



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Potential Projects: The Case 8 Studies: Diagnosis and Treatment, Utopia: Societal Syncopation, Diminishing Returns: Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria, Picture This!: Photosynthesis and Conservation of Energy, Bio-Chemical Warfare,

Timeline: 9 weeks

Resources:

Science and Global Issues: Biology, Lab Aids

Utopia by Sir Thomas More

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

When Plague Strikes by James Cross Giblin

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/

Biology threat agents: http://www.fas.org/biosecurity/resource/agents.htm

General Introduction on Biological, biochemical, & chemical weapons: http://science.howstuffworks.com/framed.htm?parent=biochem-war.htm&

Medical Research: http://www.uh.edu/collegium/fall98/medical.html

Pathophysiology of chemical weapons: http://www.clevelandclinicmeded.com/diseasemanagement/infectiousdisease/

Enzymes: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enzyme

http://www.scienceacademy.com/1024768/search2.html

http://www.newton.dep.anl.gov/newton/askasci/1995/math/MATH060.HTM

http://www.cdc.gov

http://www.nsf.gov/news/overviews/biology/index.jsp

http://www.microbe.org/microbes/protists1.asp

http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/bacteria/bacteria.html

http://www.microbe.org/microbes/bacterium1.asp

 $http://www.eurekascience.com/ICanDoThat/bacteria_cells.htm$

http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/alllife/virus.html

http://www.virology.net/Big_Virology/BVHomePage.html

http://www.biologie.uni-hamburg.de/b-online/e33/33.htm

http://www3.niaid.nih.gov/

http://www.idsociety.org/

http://www.microbe.org/microbes/bacterium1.asp

http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/bacteria/bacteria.html

http://www.cellsalive.com/ecoli.htm

http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/alllife/virus.html

http://www.microbe.org/microbes/virus1.asp

http://www.microbe.org/microbes/protists1.asp

http://users.rcn.com/jkimball.ma.ultranet/BiologyPages/P/Protists.html

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ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literary Texts

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Analyze the representation of a subject or a key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each treatment (e.g., Auden's "Musée des Beaux Arts" and Breughel's *Landscape with the Fall of Icarus*). **CC9-10RL7**

Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare). **CC9-10RL9**

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC10RL10**

Reading Standards for Informational Texts

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RI1**Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RI2**

Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them. **CC9-10RI3**

Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter). **CC9-10RI5**

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC10RI10**

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. **CC9-10W2**

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. CC9-10W1

- a. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC9-10W1a**
- b. Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns. **CC9-10W1b**
- c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims. **CC9-10W1c**
- d. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. **CC9-10W1d**



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e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented. CC9-10W1e

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC9-10W4**

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. **CC9-10W5**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC9-10W9

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. **CC9-10W10**

Speaking and Listening

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

- a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC9-10SL1a**
- b. Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. **CC9-10SL1b**
- c. Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions. **CC9-10SL1c**
- **d.** Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented. **CC9-10SL1d**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC9-10SL5**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. **CC9-10SL4**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC9-10SL5**

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. CC9-10SL6

Language

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC9-10L1

a. Use parallel structure.* CC9-10L1a

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

Use a semicolon (and perhaps a conjunctive adverb) to link two or more closely related independent clauses. CC9-10L2a

c. Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC9-10L4**

b. Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., analyze, analysis, analytical; advocate, advocacy). **CC9-10L4b**



c. Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, or its etymology. **CC9-10L4c**

Reading Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects

Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text. **CC9-10RS/TS2**

Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks attending to special cases or exceptions defined in the text. **CC9-10RS/TS3**

Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 9-10 texts and topics. **CC9-10RS/TS4**

Analyze the structure of the relationships among concepts in a text, including relationships among key terms (e.g., force, friction, reaction force, energy).

CC9-10RS/TS5

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC9-10RS/TS10** Write arguments focused on *discipline-specific content*. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1**

- a. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among the claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1a**
- b. Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying data and evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both claim(s) and counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate form and in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1b**
- c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.

CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1c

- d. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1d
- e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from or supports the argument presented. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1e

Biology Concepts:	Science Essential Questions:	Formative Assessments:
Cellular nature of life	How does structure relate to function in living systems	Teacher observation
Cell structure and function	from the organismal to the cellular level?	Graphic organizers
Cell specialization and differentiation		Journal Entries
Cell division and the cell cycle	How can the disparities between developing and	KWLs
Microbes and infectious diseases	developed countries in terms of diseases impacting	Pre-tests Pre-tests
Breakdown of cellular function in diseases, such as	human life?	Conferences
diabetwes and cancer		Observations
Respiration, photosynthesis, and cellular	How do we make decisions about priorities for disease	Question and Answer Sessions
macromolecules	interventions to prevent or treat diseases that limit the	First Drafts / Quizzes
	social, economic, and environmental progress of a	Journals
ELA Concepts:	culture?	Interviews
Utopia		Short responses

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Story Elements		Quickwrites
Metaphor		Tickets in/out of the door
Alliteration	ELA Essential Questions:	Participation in lab work
Oxymoron	How do we use evidence to study the past as a way to	Notetaking
Idiom	change the future?	
Non-fiction text features		
Cause and effect	Can all of our experiences be put into words? Do texts primarily reflect culture or shape it?	Summative Assessments: Tests on specific areas
Science Big Ideas:		Essays/written report
Living systems, from the organismic to the cellular	From whose viewpoint are we reading? How does that	Presentations
level, demonstrate the complementary nature of	affect our understanding of the text?	Projects
structure and function.		Presentations
	How can a futuristic text comment on the current	Model of key ideas
The effects of diseases vary from mild to	existence of humanity?	Lab reports
devastating and affect sustainability at the		Portfolios
environmental, economic, and social level.	Science Learning Targets:	Checklists/rubrics
	• Examine several diseases and their social,	Debates
Diseases are caused by infectious microbes, such as	environmental, and economic consequences.	
bacteria and viruses, genetic factors, and other	• Learn about the mechanism of these diseases at the	
events that cause breakdowns in the structure or	cellular level.	
function of cells.	 Investigate the structures and functions of normal 	
Understanding the mechanisms of a disease is	cells and some of the processes that occur inside	
essential to people's ability to prevent, eradicate,	these cells.	
and cure it and to maintain the sustainability of	Research and recommend how to best allocate	
populations and communities.	limited funding to address world health problems.	
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	ELA Learning Targets:	
ELA Big Ideas:	 Use reading skills and strategies to monitor 	
Good readers ask questions about text to better	comprehension.	
understand what ideas require making inferences.	 Identify story elements and describe how they impact 	
The development of society has influenced the	• Identity story elements and describe now they impact each other.	
evolution of microorganisms.	owen suren	
evolution of interoorganisms.	• Evaluate figurative language, analyze tone, identify sequence, visualize, analyze conflict, analyze	
Literature can be used as a vehicle for conveying a	characterization, analyze historical context, and	
realistic sense of the events and anxiety	connect to literature.	
accompanying the spread of infectious disease		
accompanying the spread of infectious disease	*	
	alliteration, oxymoron, point of view, setting and	



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Interpretation of events when compared to the actual events surrounding and contributing to historical epidemics may cause factual inaccuracies. Integrated Big Ideas: Living systems, from the organismal to the cellular level, demonstrate the complementary nature of structure and function. Disruption of the function of society or the cell will cause a reaction to return to homeostasis	 mood, style, dialect and idiom. Use reading skills and strategies for analyzing graphic information, analyzing historical context, summarizing, comparing and contrasting, evaluating evidence, recognizing bias, comparing literature, and generating a purpose for reading. Identify literary elements such as literary periods, theme, moral, characterization, irony, setting, autobiography, and imagery. Identify characteristics of scientific texts. Identify the central point and main supporting elements of a text. Identify patterns in main ideas across textx. Read texts explicitly; to analyze texts for specific purposes; to draw evidence from a relevant source. Summarize a text(s) and select/prioritize relevant evidence from the text. Identify the stylistic characteristics of writing within the disciplines (scientific editorial). Organize reading notes into an outline or organizer. Establish a claim and develop a line of thought supportive of claim. Follow the writing process to produce a high quality text. Identify appropriate texts and passages to use for support. Refine text, including line of thought, language usage, and tone as appropriate to audience and purpose. 	

Project Three: Genetics – Feeding the World

Biology Content: For thousands of years, people have selected crops and animals with desirable traits and have bred them to produce ever more desirable offspring. This selective breeding has produced modern varieties of organisms, such as sweet corn, dairy cows, and domestic pets. It was not until the mid-19th century that scientists began to understand that inherited traits pass from parents to offspring through genes. Modern scientists study genetics to learn more about how genes work and to solve such practical problems as enhancing crop productivity, curing diseases, and producing new fuels.

One dynamic, and sometimes controversial, technology that has emerged from genetics is genetic modification. After learning to manipulate the genes of various



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species, scientists now can place genes from one species into another to give the target species a specific, desirable trait, such as pest resistance. However, many people and some scientists are concerned that this may lead to unintended consequences for the environment and/or human health.

In this unit, you will investigate how genes and patterns of inheritance function in organisms and generations of organisms. You will also learn about the procedures and results of genetic modification and about some of the benefits and trade-offs of producing specific genetically modified organisms.

Bio Content: Students play the role of political informants/advocates on the subject of stem cell research. This exploration will create a need to know for understanding the role of stem cells in neurological research as well as demonstrating the controversy that is found in that particular type of research.

ELA Concept: Students will read *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, a poor Southern tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, yet her cells—taken without her knowledge—became one of the most important tools in medicine. The first "immortal" human cells grown in culture, they are still alive today, though she has been dead for more than sixty years. HeLa cells were vital for developing the polio vaccine; uncovered secrets of cancer, viruses, and the atom bomb's effects; helped lead to important advances like in vitro fertilization, cloning, and gene mapping; and have been bought and sold by the billions. Students will also read excerpts from *Stem Cell Now* by Christopher Scott, executive director of Stanford University's Stem Cell and Society Program, in order to solidify their understanding and strengthen their view on this controversial issue. *Stem Cell Now* lays out the scientific and ethical issues surrounding this national dilemma. Scott guides readers through the latest advances in stem cell research in clear, accessible language, telling the stories of the researchers who are exploring the potential of stem cells to cure cancer, grow new organs, and repair the immune system. Students will research issues surrounding genetics and complete a significant research project.

Potential Projects: Who's Gene?, Human Genetics Project, Who are You? – A Genetic Manifestation, Selling Cells: A Stem Cell Debate

Timeline: 9 weeks

Resources:

Science and Global Issues: Biology, Lab Aids

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

http://www.lacksfamily.com/

http://www.radiolab.org/2010/may/17/henriettas-tumor/

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/

Stem Cell Now by Christopher Scott

The Cell:

http://www.cellsalive.com/

http://www.jcb.org/

http://www.cellbio.com/

http://www.nature.com/ncb/index.html

http://www.biology.arizona.edu/cell bio/cell bio.html

Stem Cell:

http://learn.genetics.utah.edu/units/stemcells/whatissc/



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http://www.stemcellresearchfoundation.org/

http://www.stemcellresearch.org/

http://www.stemcellresearchnews.com/

http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2001/08/20010809-2.html

http://www.isscr.org/

http://www.news.wisc.edu/packages/stemcells/

Nervous System:

http://users.tpg.com.au/users/amcgann/body/nervous.html

http://www.innerbody.com/image/nervov.html

http://www.emc.maricopa.edu/faculty/farabee/BIOBK/BioBookNERV.html

Disorders:

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/brainandnervoussystem.html

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/peripheralnervedisorders.html

http://www.spineuniverse.com/displayarticle.php/article2007.html

http://www.cellsalive.com/toc cellbio.htm

http://www.biology.arizona.edu/CELL_BIO/problem_sets/membranes/index.html

http://www.biology.arizona.edu/CELL_BIO/tutorials/pev/main.html

http://www-class.unl.edu/biochem/gp2/m_biology/animation/gene/gene_a1.html

http://www.cellsalive.com/cells/golgi.htm

http://www.phschool.com/science/biology_place/biocoach/cellresp/intro.html

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/

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Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. **CC9-10RL3**

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**



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Reading Informative Texts

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Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them. CC9-10RI3

Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning. **CC9-10RI8**

By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. **CC9RI10**

Writing Standards

for citation. CC9-10W8

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. CC9-10W1

- a. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC9-10W1a**
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Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 54.)

CC9-10W5

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically. **CC9-10W6**

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. **CC9-10W7**Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC9-10W9



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- a. Apply grades *9-10 Reading standards* to literature (e.g., "Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work [e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare]"). CC9-10W9a
- b. Apply grades 9-10 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning"). **CC9-10W9b**

Speaking and Listening

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence. **CC9-10SL3**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. **CC9-10SL4**

Language Conventions

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC9-10L1

- a. Use parallel structure.* CC9-10L1a
- b. Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations. **CC9-10L1b**

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

- a. Use a semicolon (and perhaps a conjunctive adverb) to link two or more closely related independent clauses. CC9-10L2a
- b. Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation. CC9-10L2b
- c. Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC9-10L3

a. Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., *MLA Handbook*, Turabian's *Manual for Writers*) appropriate for the discipline and writing type. **CC9-10L3a**

Reading Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects

Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1

- a. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among the claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1a**
- b. Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying data and evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both claim(s) and counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate form and in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1b**
- c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.

CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1c

- d. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1d
- f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from or supports the argument presented. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS1e



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Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS4 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS5

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS6

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS7 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS8

Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS9

Biology Concepts	Science Essential Questions:
Sexual and asexual reproduction	Why do offspring resemble the

Genes, alleles, chromosomes, and DNA

Genetically modified organisms

Biotechnology

ELA Concepts Research

Citing Evidence

Immortality Ethics

Biography

Science Big Ideas:

Data

Truth

ble their parents and why are Mitosis and Meiosis some sexes more likely than others to inherit specific Genotype and phenotype traits? Mendel's research

Genetic crosses, Punnett squares, and pedigrees How does natural selection encourage inter and intra-Patterns of inheritance specific diversity over time?

Flow of genetic information How can our understanding of Mendelian genetics be Selective breeding used to predict patterns of inheritance?

> How do mutations influence the survival of an organism/species and how can a change of a nucleotide in a gene affect the structure and function of the protein for which it codes?

How does recombinant DNA technology, as it is applied to genetic engineering, meet human needs and wants?

What issues surround selective breeding and genetic modification?

How can we collect data to make an informed decision about these evolving issues?

How are genetically modified organisms, particularly in

Formative Assessments:

Teacher observation Graphic organizers

Journal Entries

KWLs Pre-tests Conferences Observations

Ouestion and Answer Sessions

First Drafts / Quizzes

Journals Interviews Short responses Ouickwrites

Tickets in/out of the door Participation in lab work

Notetaking

Summative Assessments:

Tests on specific areas Essays/written report Presentations **Projects** Presentations

Model of key ideas

Organisms reproduce, develop, have predictable life cycles, and pass on heritable traits to their offspring.

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Concepts/Big Ideas	Essential Questions/Learning Targets	Assessments
Modern scientists study genetics to learn more about how genes work and to solve such practical problems as enhancing crop productivity, curing	the production of agricultural crops, being used? Who benefits from their use?	Lab reports Portfolios Checklists/rubrics
diseases, and producing new fuels. One dynamic, and sometimes controversial, technology that has emerged from genetics is	ELA Essential Questions: How do different texts shape their message to present different views of the same issue?	Debates
genetic modification. The development of technology has allowed us to	How does a text reveal us to ourselves?	
apply our knowledge of genetics, reproduction, development and evolution to meet human needs and wants.	How can a reader recognize truth in text? How do credible sources contribute to a successful	
Living systems, from the organismic to the cellular	research paper?	
level, demonstrate the complementary nature of structure and function.	How should research projects be organized so that themes and patterns emerge from the research details?	
ELA Big Ideas Good readers ask questions about text to better understand what ideas require making inferences.	 Science Learning Targets: Learn about the historical desire to breed animals to create more desirable offspring. 	
Reading for meaning often requires imagining conversation with and questioning of the author. You must consider and respond.	 Consider how learning to manipulate the genes of various species can help or hinder animals and people. Debate if being about to modify genes will lead to 	
Ethical debates of stem cell research need to be reflected in politics to balance scientific progress with with the responsibilities to the unborn and the	unintended consequences for the environment and/or human health.Investigate how genes and patterns of inheritance	
sick.	 function in organisms and generations of organisms. Describe the procedures and results of genetic modification 	
Good researchers use criteria to determine if a source is authoritative.	Debate some of the benefits and trade-offs of producing specific genetically modified organisms.	
Good researchers extract information from sources and draw logical conclusions.	 ELA Learning Targets: Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as 	
Integrated Big Ideas:	inferences drawn from the text.	



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We can use our scientific expertise to make decisions about stem cell research and justify/defend our position during a debate.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.	
Research is only as good as the resources used to support it. Good researchers look for reliable sources to find information.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.	
	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).	
	Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter).	
	Use reading skills and strategies for analyzing graphic information, analyzing historical context, summarizing, comparing and contrasting, evaluating evidence, recognizing bias, comparing literature, and generating a purpose for reading.	
	Conduct research project based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation	
	Develop a multimedia product using audio/visual components simultaneously	
	Develop and defend opinion through a debate.Accurately cite sources.	

Project Four: Ecology and Sustainability

Biology Content: Our world holds an amazing variety of organisms living in all sorts of environments. Organisms affect their environments, and in turn the environment affects them. Understanding the complex web of relationships within ecosystems is essential to understanding their sustainability. In this unit students will examine a variety of ecological issues including the impact of human activities on ecosystems. Students will explore what can happen when people cause pollution in an area vital to nonhuman and human organisms. Students will use scientific articles to research the cause and effect of algal blooms off the



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Assessments

coast of the U.S. and write a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency to inform them of the problem as well as suggest possible solutions. Students will also learn about invasive species and their impacts on established ecosystems. You will also investigate how different management strategies affect the sustainability of fisheries. Finally, you will suggest actions humans can take to help sustain ecosystems for the future.

ELA Content: To examine the interaction of people and the ecosystems in which they live, students engage in literature circles, discussing common themes that run throughout a group of essays compiled in the anchor text *Driven from the Land*. In this book, a variety of authors focuses on two ears of westward expansion, highlighting the Dust Bowl, the people who lived there, and how they survived the shifting ecosystem. Students will also complete a thematic study of nature writing. This section will be anchored by essays such as *Walking* from Henry David Thoreau, along with other essays, short stories, and poems. Students will investigate nature and the relationship that people have with nature. In a nature writing anthology, students will reflect on Thoreau who writes about human's role in nature "as an inhabitant, or a part or parcel of Nature." The final project will be the composition of a children's book to show solutions to an environmental problem, using the *Lorax* as a model. The book can include other characters from the Dr. Seuss books. Students will also reference excerpts from *Writing Picture Books: A Hands-On Guide from Story Creation to Publication*, examining the concept of multiple audiences – the children who will love the book and the parents who need to love it to purchase it. These concepts will be applied to their understanding to the children's book they will create, including a research brief to be include on the last page of the book.

Potential Projects: *The Lorax* and Tales of Environment Sustainability, Saltmarsh Sponge, Turning Brownfield Green, Writing in the Natural World, Community Court: Development vs. Conservation, Sandpiper's Plight, Sustainability and Development: Problem Solved!

Timeline: 9 weeks

Resources:

Science and Global Issues: Biology, Lab Aids

Driven from the Land – the Story of the Dust Bowl by Milton Meltzer

Walking by Henry David Thoreau

http://www.nature.org/initiatives/climatechange/calculator/ - Allows you to determine your carbon footprint

www.howstuffworks.com - search for brownfield

www.brownfieldassociation.org

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/

Writing Picture Books: A Hands-On Guide from Story Creation to Publication by Ann Whitford Paul

The Lorax by Dr. Suess

DEAD IN THE WATER. By: Weir, Kirsten. Current Science, 3/4/2005, Vol. 90 Issue 12, p10-11, 2p.

Red Tide's Weather Trail. By: Cutlip, Kimbra. Weatherwise, Nov/Dec2001, Vol. 54 Issue 6, p10, 2p.

"The Gulf of Mexico Dead Zone and Red Tides" by Elizabeth Carlisle.http://www.tulane.edu/~bfleury/envirobio/enviroweb/DeadZone.htm

Science Standards

As a member of the Science Coalition, the Delaware STEM Academy will adopt the biology curriculum recommended by the Science Coalition and aligned to Next Generation Science Standards. When those materials become available, the content will be integrated into BioLit.

ELA Standards:



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Reading Standards for Literary Texts

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone). **CC9-10RL4**Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. **CC9-10RL5**

Reading Informative Texts

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. **CC9-10RL1**Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC9-10RL2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper). **CC9-10RI4**

Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter). **CC9-10RI5**

Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts. **CC9-10RI9**By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC10RL10**

Writing Standards

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. **CC9-10W3**

- a. Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events. **CC9-10W3a**
- Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
 CC9-10W3b
- c. Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole. CC9-10W3c
- d. Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. CC9-10W3d
- e. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative. **CC9-10W3e**Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. **CC9-10W4**Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. **CC9-10W5**

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically. CC9-10W6



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Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. **CC9-10W7**Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. **CC9-10W8**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC9-10W9

- a. Apply grades 9-10 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work [e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare]"). **CC9-10W9a**
- b. Apply grades 9-10 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning"). CC9-10W9b

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. **CC9-10W10**

Speaking and Listening

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC9-10SL1**

- a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC9-10SL1a**
- b. Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. **CC9-10SL1b**
- c. Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions. **CC9-10SL1c**
- d. Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented. **CC9-10SL1d**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task. **CC9-10SL4**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC9-10L1

Use parallel structure.* CC9-10L1a

Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations. **CC9-10L1b**

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC9-10L2

Use a semicolon (and perhaps a conjunctive adverb) to link two or more closely related independent clauses. CC9-10L2a

Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation. CC9-10L2b

Spell correctly. CC9-10L2c

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. **CC9-10L3**



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Reading Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to the precise details of explanations or descriptions. **CC9-10RS/TS1** Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text. **CC9-10RS/TS2**

Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 9-10 texts and topics. CC9-10RS/TS4

Analyze the structure of the relationships among concepts in a text, including relationships among key terms (e.g., *force, friction, reaction force, energy*). **CC9-10RS/TS5**

Assess the extent to which the reasoning and evidence in a text support the author's claim or a recommendation for solving a scientific or technical problem. **CC9-10RS/TS8**

By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC9-10RS/TS10** Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes. **CC9-**

10WH/SS/S/TS2

- a. Introduce a topic and organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2a**
- b. Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. **CC9-1W0H/SS/S/TS2b**
- c. Use varied transitions and sentence structures to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2c**
- d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic and convey a style appropriate to the discipline and context as well as to the expertise of likely readers. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2d**
- e. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2e
- g. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS2f

Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. **CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS8**

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CC9-10WH/SS/S/TS10

Concepts:	Science Essential Questions:	Formative Assessments:
Biomes	How do we build sustainability from an ecosystems	Teacher observation
Stability and climate change in ecosystems	perspective? What does this mean for how humans	Graphic organizers
Invasive species	impact various ecosystems?	Journal Entries

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Concepts/Big Ideas	Essential Questions/Learning Targets	Assessments
Population dynamics		KWLs
Energy flow through ecosystems	How do matter and energy link organisms to each other	Pre-tests
Carbon and nitrogen cycles	and their environments?	Conferences
Photosynthesis and cellular respiration		Observations
Symbiotic relationships	How should fisheries be managed to build sustainability	Question and Answer Sessions
Predator-prey relationships	in the oceans?	First Drafts / Quizzes
Sustainability		Journals
Indicators	How do humans have an impact on the diversity and	Interviews
Life cycle of products	stability of ecosystems?	Short responses
Correlation and causality		Quickwrites
·	How can aspects of sustainability be viewed from a	Tickets in/out of the door
ELA Concepts:	personal, community, and global perspective?	Participation in lab work
Point of View		Notetaking
Multiple Voices	How is matter transferred and energy	E .
Historical Accuracy	transferred/transformed in living systems?	Summative Assessments:
Audience		Tests on specific areas
Research	ELA Essential Questions:	Essays/written report
Cause and effect	What is the value of collected essays from various	Presentations
	authors over essays all written by one person?	Projects
Science Big Ideas:	, , ,	Presentations
Our world holds an amazing variety of organisms	How can poetry tell a story?	Model of key ideas
living in all sorts of environments.		Lab reports
	How do words and pictures interact to create a text that is	Portfolios
Organisms affect their environments, and in turn the	more powerful than either the pictures or words alone?	Checklists/rubrics
environment affects them.	·	Debates
Matter needed to sustain life is continually recycled	How can a single text appeal to multiple readers?	Nature Portfolio
among and between organisms and the		Children's Book
environment.	What do I think about the natural world? What is my role	Research brief
	in the society and "ecosystem" in which I live? How do I	
Energy from the Sun flows irreversibly through	write about it?	
ecosystems and is conserved as organisms use and		
transform it.	What environmental issues are most pressing to Delaware	
	and the surrounding issue?	
One of the most critical global issues of our time is		
how to live in ways that will sustain our planet's	Science Learning Targets:	
systems and resources.	Understand the complex web of relationships within	
	ecosystems is essential to understanding their	
Humans can alter the living and non-living factors	sustainability.	
within an ecosystem, thereby creating changes to	ĺ	



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the overall system. The diversity and changing of life forms over many generations is the result of natural selection, in which organisms with advantageous traits survive, reproduce, and pass those traits to offspring. How can sustainable development/building minimize environmental impact and benefit human health? ELA Big Ideas Multiple viewpoints provide a diversity of opinions that makes the reader's understanding richer. Appealing to multiple audiences presents a unique challenge to children's book authors. Pictures, words, and or graphics interact in book in a way that creates a story more powerful either the words or the picture alone. Integrated Big Ideas: Speaking out and informing governmental agencies and others about ecological problems can help in efforts to address problems of imbalance in the ecosystem as well as expedite a solution.	 Describe how humans interact with ecosystems in many ways. Recognize that we rely on ecosystems to supply us food, shelter, energy, and the oxygen we breathe. As we consume resources and discard our wastes, we change ecosystems and sometimes threaten their sustainability. Examine a variety of ecological issues including the impact of human activities on ecosystems. Examine what can happen when people cause pollution in an area vital to nonhuman and human organisms. Learn about invasive species and their impacts on established ecosystems. You will also investigate how different management strategies affect the sustainability of fisheries. Plan and advocate for actions humans can take to help sustain ecosystems for the future. Investigate why sustainability often raises more questions than it can answer. Estimate the impact of your own lifestyle on the ecological sustainability of the planet. Discover that most sustainability problems are a result of people's overuse and misuse of the earth's resources. Learn about communities that have applied scientific knowledge and technology to address their local resource challenges. 	
	 ELA Learning Targets: Create a children's book describing a solution to an environmental problem. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others. Read purposefully and select relevant information; to summarize and/or paraphrase. 	



Concepts/Big Ideas	Essential Questions/Learning Targets	Assessments
	 Apply strategies for developing an understanding of text(s) by locating words and phrases that identify key concepts and facts, or information. Apply multiple viewpoints from a single event to create a more globalized learning opportunity. Make observations about reading and relate these observations to key concepts and essential vocabulary learned. Identify the central point and main supporting elements of a text. Use and credit sources appropriately. Establish a controlling idea and consolidate information relevant to task. Develop a line of thought and text structure appropriate to an information/explanation task. Construct an initial draft with an emerging line of thought and structure. Refine text, including line of thought, language usage, and tone as appropriate to audience and purpose. Proofread and format a piece to make it more effective. 	

Curriculum Framework for American Studies (American History and American Literature)¹

School: <u>Delaware STEM Academy</u> Curricular Tools: <u>DE Social Studies Coalition, New</u> Grade: <u>11</u> Teacher: ______

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American Literature Anthology

The content of this curriculum map will be taught in a daily block of 90 minutes.

Unit Concept	Essential Questions	Assessments
Big Ideas	Student Learning Targets	

Project One: A Young America, A New Nation

SS Concepts: In times of great change, unrest proves to be a catalyst for change. The voices of the people pave the way for the necessary role of the government, dictating the need for a strong, central government with the goal to be to protect the freedoms of its people.

ELA Concept: As students engage in the primary source reading of the resources listed within this unit, the students will identify how analyzing the documents as a 21st century learner lend an increased and varied interpretation. The "voice" through which each of the documents is spoken, written, or told begs the question and analysis of how one primary source reading can differ if the same event is told by another.

Driving Question: How do we, as historical researchers, use primary source documents to present a clear vision of our nation's one time definition of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness?

Timeline: 3 weeks

Resources:

"A Modell of Christian Charity" John Winthrop (1630)

The Captivity Narrative of Mary Rowlandson (1682)

Poems on Various Subject Religious and Moral - Phyllis Wheatley (1773)

The Federalist Papers (1787-1788)

George Washington's Farewell Address (1796)

Thomas Jefferson's First Inaugural Address (1801)

Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, Written by Himself (1845)

The Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions (1848)

SS Standards:

History Standard 1- Students will employ chronological concepts in analyzing historical phenomena [Chronology]

9-12a-Students will analyze historical materials to trace the development of an idea or trend across space or over a prolonged period of time in order to explain

¹ The American Studies curriculum map was approved by DDOE in the spring of 2013 as part of the First State Military Academy's curriculum, and is the same 11th grade integrated course offered at the Delaware New Tech Academy @ Seaford HS. The choice to adopt it at the Delaware STEM Academy is intentional to create opportunities for networking and shared curriculum resources across Delaware's three New Tech High Schools.

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Big Ideas	Student Learning Targets	

patterns of historical continuity and change.

History Standard 2 - Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data.

- 9-12a- Students will develop and implement effective research strategies for investigating a given historical topic.
- 9-12b- Students will examine and analyze primary and secondary sources in order to differentiate between historical fact and interpretations.

History Standard 3 - Students will interpret historical data [Interpretation].

9-12a- Students will compare competing historical narratives, by contrasting different historical choice of questions, use and choice of sources, perspectives, beliefs, and points of view, in order to demonstrate how these factors contribute to different interpretations.

History Standard 4- Students will develop historical knowledge of major events and phenomena in world, United States, and Delaware history.

- 9-12b- Students will develop an understanding of recent and modern world history and its connection to United States history, including:
- --Intensified hemispheric interactions (1,000-1,500 AD)
- --Explorations, contact, and interactions across the world (1450-1770)
- --Revolutions, ideologies, and technological change (1750-1914)
- -- The 20th Century world (1900-present)

Civics Standard Two: Students will understand the principles and ideals underlying the American political system [Politics].

9-12b: Students will understand that the functioning of the government is a dynamic process which combines the formal balances of power incorporated in the Constitution with traditions, precedents, and interpretations which have evolved over the past 200 years

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RL2**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines *faction* in *Federalist* No. 10). **CC11-12RI4**Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court majority opinions and dissents) and the premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy (e.g., The Federalist, presidential addresses). **CC11-12RI8**

Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (including The Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address) for their themes, purposes, and rhetorical features.

CC11-12RI9

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection,



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organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. CC11-12W2a

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CC11-12W2c

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.

CC11-12W2d

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W2e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). CC11-12W2f

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC11-12W9

Apply grades 11-12 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics"). CC11-12W9a

Apply grades 11-12 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning [e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court Case majority opinions and dissents] and the premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy [e.g., The Federalist, presidential addresses]"). CC11-12W9b

Speaking and Listening Standards

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks. CC11-12SL4

Language Standards

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. CC11-12L5 Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC11-12L5a Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC11-12L5b

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies 6-12

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole. CC11-12RH/SS1

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas. CC11-12RH/SS2

Social Studies Big Ideas:	SS Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative Assessments:
In ancient times, migrating peoples settled the	What were the motives for exploration?	Reading response logs
America's, where their descendant developed		Teacher observation of whole class, individual
complex societies.	What made the colonies different?	and collaborative work sessions



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The varied landscapes of North America encouraged the diversity of Native American culture. The Dutch settled New Netherlands; English Quakers led by William Penn settled Pennsylvania.	How did the convergence of peoples from North America, Africa, and Europe affect the culture? How did Native American culture clash with European?	 Whole class discussions Daily quickwrites Quizzes Exit tickets Daily journals
Conflict between Great Britain and the American colonies grew over issues of taxation, representation, and liberty.	How did the colonies develop economically, socially, and politically?	 Study questions Literature circle notes Socratic seminar discussions
Americans adopted the Articles of Confederation but found the new government too weak to solve the nation's problems.	What were the causes and major events of the American revolution and who were the significant individuals involve in the conflict?	 Individual check-ins with students Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records
During the debate on the constitution, the Federalist promised to add a bill of rights in order to get the	Did new liberal ideology drive the American Revolution?	Suggested Summative Assessment: Seminar and Essay: Select one passage from one
constitution ratified. President Washington transformed the ideas of the Constitution into a real government.	What challenges did the new American republic face, and how did the U.S. Constitution reflect those challenges? What major domestic and foreign problems faced	of the poems and one from one of the informational texts that treat a similar theme. How are the themes revealed in the different genres? What different techniques/literary devices do the authors use to convey theme? Write an essay in which you use at least three pieces of textual
The United States expanded its borders during Thomas Jefferson's administration.	the leaders of the new Republic? Who were the leaders of the federalists, democrats,	evidence to support an original thesis statement.
The North and South developed economic systems that led to political differences between the regions. Andrew Jackson's policies spoke for the common people but violated Native American rights.	and republicans? And what did they believe in as people & political parties? How did regional differences contribute to the	(Seminar and Essay: How could contemporary Americans approaches to religion be traced to Puritan origins? Write an essay in which you use at least three pieces of textual evidence to support an original thesis statement.
Slavery became an explosive issue, as many Americans joined reformers working to put an end to	growing conflict over states' rights versus federal power?	Oral group presentation- "A Brief presentation of our Nation's early pursuit of American Ideals"
it.	What were the causes and effects of the Second Great Awakening and the various reform	Collaboration rubric Oral presentation rubric
Women reformers expanded their efforts from movements such as abolition and temperance to include women's rights.	movements that swept the nation in the first half of the 19 th century?	Ciai presentation raorie
ELA Big Ideas:	Was the election of President Jackson a true shift of power to the "Common" American and the	



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	newly expanded "West"?	
Good writers are good readers. Good writers use effective strategies to convey a variety of information. The "voice" through which each of the documents is spoken, written, or told begs the question and analysis of how one primary source reading can differ if the same event is told by another. Perspective through which events are told can elicit different interpretations. Good writers use grammar and rhetoric effectively. Integrated Big Ideas: The voice through which an event is told has inherent affects upon the reader's interpretation.		

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-	 Student Learning Targets women were linked. ELA Learning Targets: Identify emerging themes in early American literature. Explain the First Great Awakening and how it affected religious belief in Colonial America. Identify and explain elements of Puritan literature. Compare and contrast the experiences of America's earliest settlers, as revealed through the reading material. Explain the role of religion in early American life. Write an essay in which you use at least three 	Assessments
	pieces of textual evidence to support an original thesis statement.	

Project Two: The Move to Realism

SS Concepts: As students begin to understand the "radical" changes occurring on the political front during the time leading up to the Civil War, they will investigate primary source documents and analyze them for issues of morality and politics, and look for an integration between those principles.

ELA Concepts: Students are asked to think of the Civil War through multiple lenses; the lens of the politicians and divided nation leaders, as well as that of a poets and slaves.

 $Driving\ Question:\ How\ can\ opposing\ viewpoints\ cause\ turmoil\ for\ far\ more\ than\ those\ who\ are\ involved?$

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

"I Hear America Singing"

"Song of Myself"

"Beat! Beat! Drums!"

"Success is Counted Sweetest"

"Much Madness is Divinest Sense"

"I Heard a Fly Buzz"

The Gettysburg Address

The Emancipation Proclamation



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Incidents in the life of a Slave Girl An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge The Americans by Henry James

SS Standards:

History Standard 1- Students will employ chronological concepts in analyzing historical phenomena [Chronology]

9-12a-Students will analyze historical materials to trace the development of an idea or trend across space or over a prolonged period of time in order to explain patterns of historical continuity and change.

History Standard 2 - Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data.

- 9-12a- Students will develop and implement effective research strategies for investigating a given historical topic.
- 9-12b- Students will examine and analyze primary and secondary sources in order to differentiate between historical fact and interpretations.

History Standard 3 - Students will interpret historical data [Interpretation].

9-12a- Students will compare competing historical narratives, by contrasting different historical choice of questions, use and choice of sources, perspectives, beliefs, and points of view, in order to demonstrate how these factors contribute to different interpretations.

History Standard 4- Students will develop historical knowledge of major events and phenomena in world, United States, and Delaware history [Content].

- 9-12a- Students will develop an understanding of modern United States history, its connections to both Delaware and world history, including:
- --Civil War and Reconstruction (1850-1877)
- --Development of an industrialized nation (1870-1900)
- --Emergence of modern America (1890-1930)
- --Great Depression and World War II (1929-1945)
- --Postwar United States (1945- early 1970s)
- -- Contemporary United States (1968-present)
- 9-12b- Students will develop an understanding of recent and modern world history and its connection to United States history, including:
- --Intensified hemispheric interactions (1,000-1,500 AD)
- --Explorations, contact, and interactions across the world (1450-1770)
- --Revolutions, ideologies, and technological change (1750-1914)
- -- The 20th Century world (1900-present)

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. CC11-12RL1

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). CC11-12RL3



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Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.) **CC11-12RL4**

Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and one play by an American dramatist.) **CC11-12RL7**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.

CC11-12RI3

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10). **CC11-12RI4**

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging. **CC11-12RI5**

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text. **CC11-12RI6**

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem. **CC11-12RI7**

Writing Standards

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. CC11-12W3

Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events. **CC11-12W3a**

Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CC11-12W3b

Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).

CC11-12W3c

Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.

CC11-12W3d

Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative. CC11-12W3e

Speaking and Listening Standards

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used. **CC11-12SL3**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and



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informal tasks. CC11-12SL4

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 on page 54 for specific expectations.) **CC11-12SL6**

SS Big Ideas:

The issue of slavery dominated U.S. politics in the early 1850s.

In the mid-1850s, the issue of slavery and other factors split political parties and led to the birth of new ones.

By issuing the Emancipation Proclamation, President Lincoln made slavery the focus of the war.

The Civil War brought about dramatic social and economic changes in American Society.

Congress opposed Lincoln's and Johnson's plans for Reconstruction and instead implemented its own plan to rebuild the South.

ELA Big Ideas:

Just because you had a strong reaction to a text doesn't mean you understood the text.

During the Civil War, Americans created a literary record that ranged from vivid accounts of wartime life to profound expressions of faith in American ideals.

Integrated Big Ideas:

The literature produced by and about the civil rights struggle of African Americans challenges American ideals of liberty, prosperity, and independence.

Different readers may respond to the same text indifferent ways. The better responses are those that

SS Essential Questions:

What were the main causes of the Civil War?

What were the strategies, outcomes, and legacies of the Civil War?

What were the political ramifications of Dred Scott?

Why were there so many views of slavery?

Was it necessary for the South to secede based on Lincoln's election?

How did conflict over slavery and other regional tensions lead to the Civil War?

How was the Emancipation Proclamation homage to the soldiers who were subject of The Gettysburg Address?

ELA Essential Questions:

How did poets in the Civil War Era use poetic devices to give weight to their words and meaning to their poems?

What makes a text great? What is the relationship between popularity and greatness in texts?

How does the distance and reflection of time impact our perception of greatness?

From whose viewpoint are we reading?

Form and Content in Poetry

- "I Hear America Singing"
- "Song of Myself"
- "Beat! Beat! Drums!"
 - How do the words in lines 40-43 of "Song of Myself" connect to the subjects of Whitman's singing in the poem "I Hear America Singing?"
 - Although Whitman was considered a great master of free verse, he incorporated devices into his poetry to achieve a natural rhythm and musical effects. Identify specific examples from each poem of cataloging, repetition and parallelism. How does the use of these devices contribute to the flow of each poem?
- "Success is Counted Sweetest"
- "Much Madness is Divinest Sense"
- "I Heard a Fly Buzz When I Died"
 - Analyze Dickinson's use of punctuation, the short stops, emphasis on seemingly insignificant words with a capital letter: why does she choose to interrupt the flow of her poems with such stark stops and starts and awkward emphases?
 - Students choose a subject to write a poem about in the style of Dickinson.

Literature of the Civil War

- The Gettysburg Address
- The Emancipation Proclamation
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provide greater insight into the text and/or the issues raised. How is the Civil War and its surrounding issues reflected in the writing of the time period? What made the poetry of Whitman and Dickinson revolutionary? What characteristics would you attribute to Abraham Lincoln? How was the Gettysburg Address more a symbol of freedom as opposed to an enforceable law? Students will be able to explain the concept of manifest destiny and its effect on Native Americans. Students will be able to explain why people living in different regions of the country might have different attitudes and beliefs. Students will be able to escribe how Abraham Lincoln came to power and explain why his election in 1860 led to the secession of some southern states. Students will be able to summarize the key effects of the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to summarize the key effects of the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to explain how the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to explain how the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to explain why Students will be able to explain how the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to explain why Students will be able to explain how the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to explain why Students will be able to explain how the Civil War on the society, economy, and politics of the United States Students will be able to identify the special challenges that a country may face after a Civil War Students will be able to explain why	Unit Concept	Essential Questions	Assessments
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ELA Learning Targets: Interpret the ideas of freedom and escape in			

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	the short story <i>Of Occurrence At Owl Creek Bridge</i> Identify form in various poems Character sketch of Abraham Lincoln Define "revolutionary" in terms of Whitman's	
	 and Dickinson's poetry Identify common characteristics between Civil War poets 	

Project Three: Changing Interpretations of Reconstruction

SS Concept: Our nation is built upon the ideals that all men are created equal. Students will investigate the changing definition of "man" and analyze rationales for various popular thoughts as to who would be afforded the natural rights of men.

ELA Concept: As students read various primary source documents that speak to the inherent power of both the U.S as a whole, and the pen of a single person, they will explore and qualify the work and works of those who helped to modernize our nation. Students will continue their exploration of our nations' journey from a young, new nation (Project One) and exemplify the works of historical figures who, even in the face of abhorrence, helped to fuel the advances of our nation.

Driving Question: How as 21st century learners, so we qualify the works of historical figures in creating and modernizing this great nation?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/exhibits/reconstruction/index.html

scenes from Gone With the Wind-the screenplay

 $\underline{http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eL0aPDOSu80}$

Excerpts from Walt Whitman's "Prose Works"

"Reconstruction" by Frederick Douglass

John L. O'Sullivan on Manifest Destiny (1839/1845)

Henry David Thoreau, "On the Duty of Civil Disobedience" (1849)

Harriet Jacobs, Incidents in the life of a Slave Girl (1861)

History Standards:

History Standard 3 Students will interpret historical data [Interpretation].



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9-12a: Students will compare competing historical narratives, by contrasting different historical choice of questions, use and choice of sources, perspectives, beliefs, and points of view, in order to demonstrate how these factors contribute to different interpretations.

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. CC11-12RL2

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). CC11-12RL3

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.) CC11-12RL4

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact. CC11-12RL5

Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement). CC11-12RL6

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text. CC11-12RI6

Writing Standards

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. CC11-12W1 Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. CC11-12W1a

Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases. CC11-12W1b

Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims. CC11-12W1c

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W1d Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented. CC11-12W1e

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. CC11-12SL1

Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. CC11-12SL1a

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of



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emphasis, and tone used. CC11-12SL3

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain. CC11-12RH/SS3

SS Big Ideas:

Reconstruction played an integral part in American history.

The Abolitionist movement, set in motion while Douglass was but a boy, also completely influenced him, motivated him to become literate, and eventually provided an avenue of escape.

ELA Big Ideas:

A texts mode of development affects the effect on the reader.

Rhetoric functions to provide background, examples, explanation, analysis or commentary.

Integrated Big Ideas:

The perspective from which an event is relayed affects the overall content of the telling.

Following ones' conscience may lead to social reforms.

Good literature can influence history.

SS Essential Questions:

In what ways are historical interpretations influenced by the time in which they are written and by whom they are written?

What is civil disobedience?

ELA Essential Questions:

How do authors develop two or more central ideas over the course of an informational text, having these central ideas interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis of a topic or idea?

What is self-reliance?

SS Learning Targets:

- Students will examine historians' analyses of Reconstruction.
- Students will identify key arguments in these analyses and place historians in a school of historical thought.

ELA Learning Targets:

- Determine multiple central ideas in an informational text
- Identify the rhetorical functions or purposes within a text passage.
- Recognize modes of development within a text passage.
- Analyze Douglass' essay "Reconstruction" offer analysis to his belief of the

Suggested Formative Assessments:

In mixed-ability pairs or groups of three, have students examine Reconstruction <u>Document C</u>, <u>Document D</u>, and <u>Document E</u>.

Students complete the <u>chart</u>. Students decide

Students complete the <u>chart</u>. Students decide which school of Reconstruction Historiography each document belongs and why

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

- Transfer Task: Historical views of Columbus
- Literary analysis of self-selected selections from Whitman's "Prose Works"
- Rubrics
- Presentation of a selected historical figure who contributed literarily to our known history



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	Analyze the effectiveness of the structure in transcendentalist essay	

Project Four: Between a Rock and a Hard Place (Modified from DOE Unit)

SS Concepts: McCarthyism in the 20th century and the Salem Witch Hunts and Trials of the 17th century can be closely paralleled in terms of socal phenomena of hysteria and paranoia. Students investigate intolerance, prejudice, and the power of the mob.

ELA Concepts: Within Miller's novel, The Crucible, students make parallels between the witch hunts of the 17th century and the paranoia surrounding Russians and Russian Americans in the 20th century. Students will analyze the use of parody and investigate social hysteria and the power of public persuasion as a tactic for propaganda and its uses.

Driving Question: How will an analysis of the past allow us to educate people today on issues of paranoia?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

The Crucible by Arthur Miller

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anNEJJYLU8M - newscast by Edward R. Murrow

http://ushistorv09c.blogspot.com/2009/04/alger-hiss-and-rosenbergs.html

http://www.eisenhower.archives.gov/research/online_documents/mccarthyism.html

SS Standards:

History Standard One: Students will employ chronological concepts in analyzing historical phenomena [Chronology].

9-12a: Students will analyze historical materials to trace the development of an idea or trend across space or over a prolonged period of time in order to explain patterns of historical continuity and change.

History Standard Two: Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data [Analysis].

9-12a: Students will develop and implement effective research strategies for investigating a given historical topic

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

CC 11-12 RL1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

CC 11-12 RL 2 Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text

CC 11-12 RL3 Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CC 11-12 RL 4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of



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specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.)

CC 11-12 RL 5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.

Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and one play by an American dramatist.) CC11-12RL7

CC 11-12 RL9 Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics

CC 11-12 RL10 By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range

Writing Standards

CC 11-12 W3a Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information. CC11-12W6

CC 11-12 W9a Apply grades 11-12 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics").

CC 11-12 W9b Apply grades 11-12 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning [e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court Case majority opinions and dissents] and the premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy [e.g., The Federalist, presidential addresses]").

Speaking and Listening Standards

CC11-12SL1 Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

CC11-12SL1a Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas

CC11-12SL1b Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed

CC11-12SL2 Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source

CC11-12SL3 Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence.

Language Standards

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. CC11-12L5 Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC11-12L5a



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Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC11-12L5b

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including analyzing how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in *Federalist* No. 10). **CC11-12RH/SS4**

SS Big Ideas:

Chronology means understanding (*why* and *how*) that one event may or may not lead to subsequent events.

History is often messy, yet a historian must logically organize events, recognize patterns and trends, explain cause and effect, make inferences, and draw conclusions from those sources which are available at the time.

Many different types of sources exist to help us gather information about the past, such as artifacts and documents. Sources about the past need to be critically analyzed and categorized as they are used.

ELA Big Ideas:

Perception and belief are often assumed to be true, yet truth stands apart from human fallibility.

Historical and cultural context of an author's work influences the author's viewpoint and theme. In an individual's quest to take a stand or be a pioneer, he/she may be met with obstacles out of his/her control, and may not always reach the goals he or she sets for him/herself.

Good readers make personal connects to the text.

An effective summary can synthesize ideas from various sources.

Writers often use other authors' ideas to stimulate

SS Essential Questions:

How much can we learn from studying historical responses to societal problems?

Why does differentiating between fact and interpretation matter?

ELA Essential Questions:

What is evil? What forms does it take?

When do ambition and the need to protect one's own become destructive?

What responsibility does an individual have in combating injustice?

What is the difference between law and justice?

What is more important, one's life or one's principles, and why?

To what extent do we influence each other's behavior and thoughts?

What is the cost/risk of tolerating (understanding) and accepting each other's differences?

How am I like some or one of the characters in this text?

How does the historical and cultural context of this text find its way into the author's message?

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Quizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

A Legacy

Imagine that you are either John Proctor or Rev. John Hale and that you want to leave behind a written document defending your choices and actions as related in *The Crucible*, by Arthur Miller. Your hope is to leave a legacy for generations to come justifying your actions in the play in the form of a letter, sermon, speech, essay, etc. Your final document should reflect your beliefs (as Proctor or Hale), which guided your actions.

You have been invited to present as a panelist in a symposium. This symposium will explore



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their own thoughts and incorporate these ideas in their writings, avoiding plagiarism.	What do I think about the characters' choices and why?	situations from recent world history in which issues of "prejudice over reason and fear over courage" may have dictated people's
Speakers orally communicate information, opinions, and ideas effectively to different audiences for a variety of purposes. Integrated Big Ideas:	How do the issues and themes presented in the play compare and contrast with those presented in the films? How can I capture the main points of this text?	actions/reactions. As one of the panelists, you should select an event and research it, examining the parallels to the Salem Witch Hunt of 1692 that Miller uses as the basis of <i>The Crucible</i> . Consider what you have discovered about evil, ambition,
History in many ways performs the same function as literature—it helps us to understand life. Time and place influences textual sources.	How can I use other authors' ideas to stimulate my own thinking and writing?	law, and justice to suggest what we could learn that might prevent or minimize the likelihood of such a reoccurrence. Present the results of your research with an accompanying abstract to give to
Along with responsibility come risk and sacrifice.	How can I use other authors' ideas in my own writing without plagiarizing?	symposium participants.
Law and justice are often equated, yet laws are determined by men, while justice is often beyond the scope of law. Law is man's imperfect attempt to	How can I plan and organize my speaking to best convince my audience?	
interpret and insure justice. Stepping out into any frontier brings potential risks and sacrifices.	 St Learning Targets: Students will study the ways in which individuals and societies have changed and interacted over time. Students will understand that, before choosing 	
Truth is not determined by the number of people who believe it	Students will understand that, before choosing a position or acting, research needs to be accomplished in order to understand the effect of historical developments and trends on subsequent events.	
	 ELA Learning Targets: Write a legacy letter, sermon, speech, etc, reflecting your beliefs Conduct research into the Salem Witch Trials Analyze comparisons between the Salem Witch Trials and Arthur Miller's <i>The Crucible</i> Identify ways in which <i>The Crucible</i> portrays humans reacting with "prejudice over reason and fear over courage" 	

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Dig racio	Equate this reaction to any mob psychology that has existed in current events	

Project Five: Migration Patterns

This project focuses on the relationship between the majority white culture in the early U.S and minority groups (Quakers, Native Americans, African Americans, Puritans, etc.) Students will investigate whether or not they believe there are historic patterns to the relationship between the majority U.S. culture and minority cultures that exist within the U.S.

SS Concepts: Students will analyze the migration patterns that have existed in the United States and identify trends in these cycles of migration. Students will support this acquisition of knowledge with a sampling of readings as listed in the resources below, to begin to conclude as to whether or not there are patterns that exist as "new peoples" begin to call the U.S "home."

ELA Concepts: As students read Amy Tan's internal battle in "Mother Tongue" and learn of how the "other half lives" in Riis' same titled photographic journey and novel, students will begin to develop opinions on how perspective, one's own culture and the dictations of that culture lend themselves a creation of a society that may prove difficult for others to "fit in."

Driving Question: How can we as citizens of Seaford, identify the migration patterns of our city and highlight contributions made to our society at a public event?

Timeline: 5 weeks

Resources:

Mother Tongue- Amy Tan

How the Other Half Lives- by Jacob A. Riis

Frederick Jackson Turner, "The Significance of the Frontier in American History" (1893)

Booker T. Washington, the Atlanta Compromise Speech (1895)

Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine (1904-1905)

Migrant Mother by Dorothea Lange

History Standard 3 - Students will interpret historical data [Interpretation].

3a- Students will compare competing historical narratives, by contrasting different historical choice of questions, use and choice of sources, perspectives, beliefs, and points of view, in order to demonstrate how these factors contribute to different interpretations.

Geography Standard One: Students will develop a personal geographic framework, or "mental map," and understand the uses of maps and other geo-graphics [MAPS].



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9-12a: Students will identify geographic patterns which emerge when collected data is mapped, and analyze mapped patterns through the application of such common geographic principles as

- -- Hierarchy (patterns at a detailed scale may be related to patterns at a more general scale)
- -- Accessibility (how easily one place can be reached from another)
- -- Diffusion (how people or things move in certain directions at certain speeds)
- -- Complimentarity (the mutual exchange of people or goods among places usually occurs over the shortest possible distances

Geography Standard Three: Students will develop an understanding of the diversity of human culture and the unique nature of places [PLACES].

Geography Standard Three 9-12a: Students will understand the processes which result in distinctive cultures, economic activity, and settlement form in particular locations across the world.

ELA Standards:

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC11-12W2a**

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CC11-12W2c

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic. **CC11-12W2d** Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. **CC11-12W2e** Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). **CC11-12W2f**

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC11-12W4**

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 11-12 on page 54.)

CC11-12W5

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. CC11-12W7 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. CC11-12W8

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of



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tasks, purposes, and audiences. CC11-12W10

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RI1**

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.

CC11-12RI3

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 11-12 topics*, *texts*, *and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC11-12SL1**

Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC11-12SL1a**

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives. **CC11-12SL1c**

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task. **CC11-12SL1d**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC11-12SL5**

Language Standards

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC11-12L3

Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte's *Artful Sentences*) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading. **CC11-12L3a**

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 11-12 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC11-12L4**

Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression. **CC11-12L6**

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole. **CC11-12RH/SS5**

Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence. **CC11-12RH/SS6** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to



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address a question or solve a problem. CC11-12RH/SS7

SS Big Ideas:

Places are unique associations of natural environments and human cultural modifications. Concepts of site and situation can explain the uniqueness of places. As site or situation change, so also does the character of a place.

ELA Big Ideas:

Great emotion can be shown through firsthand accounts of events and felt by the reader.

A reader's life experiences can help to shape how themes in works of literature are understood.

Integrated Big Ideas:

Photos capture the essence of a story beyond its words.

When you stand for one, you can stand for many.

SS Essential Questions:

Why are some places in America more culturally diverse or similar than others?

To what extent does the culture of a place change over time?

How has the culture of places in America changed as a result of migration patterns?

What is the structural relationship between persistent poverty and new immigrants?

If different "races" and nationalities possess inherent moral and cultural characteristics, how can that be reconciled with the American creed of individualism?

What are the proper roles of government, private philanthropy, and religion in reform efforts?

ELA Essential Questions:

How does culture affect literature? How does literature affect culture?

How important is spectacle and entertainment in rousing the public conscience?

How does environment shape "character"?

SS Learning Targets:

- Students will be able to explain the reasons for culturally diverse and similar regions in 19th century America.
- Students will be able to explain the push-pull

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records
- Surveys

Suggested Summative Assessments:

Problem- It is 1881, and Congress is debating the passage of the Chinese Exclusion Act. As a 60-year-old, general store owner who moved to California during the Gold Rush, you have seen the effects that large-scale immigration has had on your state. You wish to have your views on the issue heard.

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Write a letter to your Congressman that explains your views and the cultural changes your state has experienced as a result of increased immigration in recent years. Your letter should include the following:

•An overview of the push-pull factors for Chinese immigration during the 19th century.



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	effect of immigration and subsequent settlement patterns in America. Students will be able to analyze the effects culture change had on economic activity. Students will analyze photos and identify the relevance of the photo to the time period in which it was taken. ELA Learning Targets: Students will analyze photos and produce captions relative to the time periods in which they were taken. Write letter to congressman Conduct a research of how culture in your city has changed over the past 50 years. Conduct surveys on local residents to glean data for research Research paper on citywide changes due to cultural infusions/immigration Identify examples of assimilation and acculturation in your city	 An evaluation of the economic impact of Chinese immigration in California. An evaluation of the cultural impact of Chinese immigration in California. An explanation of why you do or do not support the Chinese Exclusion Act. Research paper on the cultural changes that have occurred in your city in the past 50 year. Written Expression rubric

Project Six: Analyzing Historical data

SS Concepts: Using an analysis of primary sources, historical data, and historical events, students will learn that history is the interpretation of the past and that historians use facts to support their interpretations. In this unit, students will evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of various historical documents. Students will use these documents in the construction of their own interpretation of the past.

ELA Concepts: In addition to studying documents on the US' invasion of Cuba, students will undergo primary and secondary source reading activities using additional US historically based documents and identify how documents can have multi-faceted interpretations, depending on one's background knowledge and prior experiences. The students will also read, *The Things They Carried*, by Tim O'Brian. Through a series of linked semi-autobiographical stories, "O'Brien" illuminates the characters of the men with whom he served and draws meaning about the war from meditations on their relationships. Upon analysis of this novel/collection of short stories, students will be asked to discern what they find "truth" and what they find to be a refinement of the facts for the good of the story. This goes along well with Strategy 3 of the DE SS Coalition Unit on Analyzing Historical Data, as students are asked why differentiating between fact and interpretation matters. They will explore the importance of that skill as they study American Foreign Policy in the late 19th century.

Driving Question: How can we as data diggers, analyze U.S historical documents and crosswalk them in order to paint an accurate picture of US foreign policy of the late 19th century and compare it to current US foreign policy practices?



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Timeline: 5 weeks

Resources:

Http://historicalthinkingmatters.org

John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Address (1961)

The Port Huron Statement (1962)

Martin Luther King, Jr., "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" (1963)

Lyndon Johnson, "The Great Society" (1966)

http://www.pbs.org/wnet/jimcrow/jimcrowguide.pdf

http://www.tracesofthetrade.org/guides-and-materials/historical/reconstruction-jim-crow-and-the-civil-rights-era/

The Things They Carried-by Tim O'Brian

"The Serious Writer's Goal" by Guy de Maupassant

History Standard 2 - Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data.

2b- Students will examine and analyze primary and secondary sources in order to differentiate between historical fact and interpretations.

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact. **CC11-12RL5**

Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement). **CC11-12RL6**

Reading for Informational Text

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RI1**

Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.

CC11-12RI3

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging. **CC11-12RI5**

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text. **CC11-12RI6**

Speaking and Listening Standards



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Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 on page 54 for specific expectations.) **CC11-12SL6**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC11-12L1

Apply the understanding that usage is a matter of convention, can change over time, and is sometimes contested. CC11-12L1a

Resolve issues of complex or contested usage, consulting references (e.g., Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage, Garner's Modern American Usage) as needed. CC11-12L1b

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC11-12L2

Observe hyphenation conventions. CC11-12L2a

Spell correctly. CC11-12L2b

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 11-12 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC11-12L4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CC11-12L4a

Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).

CC11-12L4b

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage. **CC11-12L4c**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). **CC11-12L4d** Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. **CC11-12L5**

Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC11-12L5a

Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC11-12L5b

Reading Standards for Literacy/Social Studies

Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources. **CC11-12RH/SS9**

SS Big Ideas:	SS Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative Assessments:
Historians derive their interpretations of the past	Why does differentiating between fact and	Reading response logs
from multiple, sometimes conflicting, sources.	interpretation matter?	Teacher observation of whole class, individual
		and collaborative work sessions
Historians must prove where the information can be	Why is it necessary to consult multiple sources	Whole class discussions
found that is the basis for historical conclusions.	when studying the past?	Daily quickwrites
		Quizzes
ELA Big Ideas:	ELA Essential Questions:	Exit tickets
In fiction, truth is not a matter of fact but instead how	Why do people tell stories?	Daily journals
one perceives and experiences truth.		Study questions



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There are multiple alternative truths to every historical event. Story telling/re-telling is a societal and cultural need in order to make sense of our existence and experience in the world. Integrated Big Ideas: The goal of writing is to capture a time, a place, an	How does perspective guide our understanding truth? How does truth play a role in fiction? And does truth matter in fiction? SS Learning Targets: • Students will be able to analyze primary and secondary documents in order to differentiate between fact and opinion.	 Literature circle notes Socratic seminar discussions Individual check-ins with students Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records Suggested Summative Assessments: Performance Task Rubric
event, so that it can forever live on.	 Students will be able to recognize the value and limitations of historical documents. Students will be able to analyze historical data in order to construct their own interpretation of the past. ELA Learning Targets: Analyze several historical records of a single event, examining critical relationships between elements of the research topic Analyze how perspective impacts our understanding of truth. Write daily in their writing response journal Write a new chapter in <i>The Things They Carried</i> Retell a story told to them based on conducted interviews Compare O'Brian's chapter on "Good Form" with Guy De Maupassant's "The Serious Writer's Goal" 	 Why did the United States invade Cuba? Students will use Appendix 3a and Appendix 3d for the Performance Task. Transfer Task Students are asked to evaluate a conflict in South Ossetia. Write another chapter for <i>The Things They Carried</i> Written comparison of O'Brian's chapter on "Good Form" with Guy De Maupassant's "The Serious Writer's Goal"

Project Seven: On the Road Again

Students will create a virtual museum that presents the social, economic and political history of the United States during the Great Depression in the context of Steinbeck's Joad Family's emigration across the United States.

SS Concepts: The Great Depression led to direct government involvement with attempts to stabilize the economy of the nation through the New Deal reforms,



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and caused some to question capitalism

ELA Concepts: Through the story of the Joads, Steinbeck reveals the horror of the migrant workers' existence and the effects of poverty on them. Through the underlying themes of humanity, love, anger and his use of allusions, symbolism, and metaphors in this historical fiction, the reader is asked to question his/her own sense of morality in a time where an entire country suffered.

Driving Question: What are the lessons learned from the Great Depression?

Timeline: 5 weeks

Resources:

Grapes of Wrath-John Steinbeck

http://www.googlelittrips.com/GoogleLit/9-12/Entries/2006/11/1 The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck.html

http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/98/dime/photo.html

http://newdeal.feri.org/texts/browse.cfm?MainCatID=304

Herbert Hoover's Inaugural Address (1929)

Franklin D. Roosevelt's First Inaugural Address (1933)

The Bean Eaters- by Gwendolyn Brooks

http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/literature/laureates/1962/steinbeck-speech_en.html

SS Standards:

History Standard Two: Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data [Analysis].

9-12b: Students will examine and analyze primary and secondary sources in order to differentiate between historical facts and historical interpretations

Civics Standard Two: Students will understand the principles and ideals underlying the American political system [Politics].

9-12a: Students will examine and analyze the extra-Constitutional role that political parties play in American politics

9-12b: Students will understand that the functioning of the government is a dynamic process which combines the formal balances of power incorporated in the Constitution with traditions, precedents, and interpretations which have evolved over the past 200 years.

Economics Standard One: Students will analyze the potential costs and benefits of personal economic choices in a market economy [Microeconomics 9-12a: Students will demonstrate how individual economic choices are made within the context of a market economy in which markets influence the production

9-12a: Students will demonstrate how individual economic choices are made within the context of a market economy in which markets influence the production and distribution of goods and services.

Economics Standard Two: Students will examine the interaction of individuals, families, communities, businesses, and governments in a market economy [Macroeconomics].

9-12a: Students will develop an understanding of how economies function as a whole, including the causes and effects of inflation, unemployment, business



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cycles, and monetary and fiscal policies.

Geography Standard One: Students will develop a personal geographic framework, or "mental map," and understand the uses of maps and other geographics [MAPS].

- 9-12a: Students will identify geographic patterns which emerge when collected data is mapped, and analyze mapped patterns through the application of such common geographic principles as
- -- Hierarchy (patterns at a detailed scale may be related to patterns at a more general scale)
- -- Accessibility (how easily one place can be reached from another)
- -- Diffusion (how people or things move in certain directions at certain speeds)
- -- Complimentarity (the mutual exchange of people or goods among places usually occurs over the shortest possible distances)
- 9-12a: Students will develop an understanding of how economies function as a whole, including the causes and effects of inflation, unemployment, business cycles, and monetary and fiscal policies

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. CC11-12RL1

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. CC11-12RL2

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). CC11-12RL3.

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.) CC11-12RL4

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact. CC11-12RL5

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text. CC11-12RI3

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem. CC11-12RI7

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. CC11-12W2a



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Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CC11-12W2c

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.

CC11-12W2d

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W2e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). CC11-12W2f

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 11-12 on page 54.)

CC11-12W5

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. CC11-12W7 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. CC11-12W8

Speaking and Listening

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks. **CC11-12SL4**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC11-12SL5**

Language Standards

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 11-12 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC11-12L4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CC11-12L4a

Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).

CC11-12L4b

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage. **CC11-12L4c**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). CC11-12L4d



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Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence. **CC11-12RH/SS6** Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources.

CC11-12RH/SS9

SS Big Ideas

A desire for normality after the war and a fear of communism and "foreigners" led to the postwar isolationism.

The Harding administration appealed to America's desire for calm and peace after the war, but resulted in scandal.

Consumer goods fueled the business boom of the 1920s as America's standard of living soared. Americans experienced cultural conflicts as customs and values changed in the 1920s.

American women pursued new lifestyles and assumed new jobs and different roles in society during the 1920s.

African-American ideas, politics, art, literature, and music flourished in Harlem and elsewhere in the United States.

As the prosperity of the 1920s ended, severe economic problems gripped the nation. During the Great Depression Americans did what they had to do to survive.

President Hoover's conservative response to the Great Depression drew criticism from many Americans.

After becoming president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt used government programs to combat the Depression.

SS Essential Questions:

What political and social change took place after World War I and through the 1920s? How did newfound prosperity change American life in the 1920s?

What were the causes and consequences of the Great Depression?

What was the ideology of the new deal and the opposition it received?

How did the government's reaction to the Great Depression affect the United States?

How did the Great Depression occur?

To what extent does the modern U.S. resemble the United States of the 1930s?

How is the Great Depression unique in United States' history?

ELA Essential Questions:

- To what extent does *work* play a role in the concept of human dignity?
- How can human dignity be defined?
- What is the role of dignity in the American Dream?
- Why is dignity as essential to human survival as food and water?
- Why was <u>The Grapes of Wrath</u> a controversial novel?
- How does Steinbeck use symbols, metaphors

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quickwrites
- Quizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

Literary analysis
Historical analysis
Written communication rubric

Students follow the westward journey of the Joads using the link provided in resources and create a virtual museum of a self-selected stop that pulls in historically accurate data pertaining to the location as well as evidence cited from the novel for relevance of the location to the overall novel.

Rubrics

Essay: Select a documentary photograph from the Library of Congress's website of Farm Security



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Big Ideas New Deal policies and actions affected various social	Student Learning Targets	Administration-Office of War Information
and ethnic groups.	and allusions to create images for the reader?How is the writing of Steinbeck distinctive?	Collection (FSA-OWI) or an excerpt from the
and entine groups.	How is the writing of Steinbeck distinctive?How is The Grapes of Wrath both universal	primary or secondary source accounts of "The
Motion pictures, radio, art, and literature blossomed	and specific?	Scottsboro Boys" trial and explain in an essay how
during the New Deal.	What are some steps that can be taken to	the image or the source account helps illuminate
2332328 233 233 233	mitigate an economic downturn, according to	your understanding of life during the depression in
ELA Big Ideas	Steinbeck?	the American south. State thesis clearly and
Literature helps us to understand the human		include at least three pieces of evidence to support
condition and to apply these situations and issues to	SS Learning Targets:	the thesis.
our own lives in order to deepen our understanding	Analyze the different reasons for The Great	ADVICE TO A CHARACTER: Write a dialogue
of the complexities of ethical decisions and changing	Depression	between one of the novel's characters and another
societal mores.	Identify the changes that The New Deal made	character from a novel you have read. The other
	to the roles and responsibilities of the federal	character must give advice to <i>The Grapes of Wrath</i>
Understanding the time, setting, and context of a	government	character about a problem that character has. Think
literary work is essential to understanding the philosophy and themes explored and to broadening	Identify social impacts of newly formed New	about what kind of person the other character is
our own viewpoints and world view.	Deal government programs and their	and what kind of advice they would offer. It is
our own viewpoints and world view.	effectiveness	NOT YOU offering advice to the GOW character,
Integrated Big Ideas	Describe the social and economic impact of	it is the second character. It must:
Intolerance is breeding ground for prejudices.	The Dust Bowl on California	Be 2 pages or more, double-spaced with 12-
	Identify the Relations Board, farm programs,	point font and 1-inch margins.
Justice is not always a consequence or result of a	regional development policies and	Include the name and book of the second
criminal act (does not always occur in a courtroom)	energy development such as the Tennessee	character
	Valley Authority, California Central Valley Project, Bonneville Dam	Sound like advice the character would really
Emotions can alter one's view of justice and	Students will study the relationships of	offer (ex. Romeo must SOUND LIKE Romeo)
definition of justice	people, places, and environments from the	
	perspective of where they occur, why they are	
	there, and what meaning those locations have	
	for us.	
	Students will research historical events, using	
	primary and secondary sources	
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	ELA Learning Targets:	
	Evaluate the philosophical, political, religious,	
	ethical, and social influences	
	of the historical period that shaped the	
	characters, plots, and settings.	



Big Ideas Student Learning Targets Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the significant ideas in works or passages Identify the elements of perspective and literary devices/elements from Steinbeck's novel, and evaluate them in terms of their effectiveness. Discuss the use of perspective and literary devices/elements from Steinbeck's novel, as well as other current novels, with students from around the country Learn about the history of the novel as a literary form. Recognize the importance of historical context to the appreciation of setting and character. Identify and analyze major and minor characters. Analyze and explain characterization techniques. Recognize the importance of point of view in The Grapes of Wrath and why it wouldn't be the same story told from someone else's point of view. Analysis of Steinbeck's Nobel Prize Acceptance speech	Unit Concept	Essential Questions	Assessments
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Project Eight: Historical Research

SS Concepts: Students continue to master a deeper understanding of the use of documents and artifacts and how historians use them to conduct research and to draw conclusions. The individual questions a researcher asks become part of an overall strategy of research—the problem of where and how to find the answers. Teachers should ask students to develop research strategies, given a particular historical problem, and examine the difficulties inherent in some research. Sources have to exist to be researched; dialogue between two historical figures cannot be replayed without someone present recording what was said.

ELA Concepts: As students investigate the validity of sources and identify authentic resources from which to glean information for their own research, they will consider the use of perspective, tone and voice in interpreting information as historically accurate and relevant. Students will compare the narrator in *Bread Givers* to historical and primary source accounts of the history of the U.S.

Timeline: 6 weeks



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Resources:

A People's History of the United States by Howard Zin

Anzia Yezierska, Bread Givers (1925)

http://zinnedproject.org/posts/category/explore by theme/imperialism

History Standard 2 - Students will gather, examine, and analyze historical data.

- 2a- Students will develop and implement effective research strategies for investigating a given historical topic.
- 2b- Students will examine and analyze primary and secondary sources in order to differentiate between historical fact and interpretations.

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. CC11-12RL1

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. CC11-12RL2

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact. CC11-12RL5

By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. CC11RL10

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging. CC11-12RI5

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text. CC11-12RI6

By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. CC11RI10

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. CC11-12W2a

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and

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concepts. CC11-12W2c

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.

CC11-12W2d

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W2e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). CC11-12W2f

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. CC11-12W7 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. CC11-12W8

Speaking and Listening Standards

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks. **CC11-12SL4**

Language Standards

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. **CC11-12L3**

Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte's *Artful Sentences*) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading. **CC11-12L3a**

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole. CC11-12RH/SS1

Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence. **CC11-12RH/SS6** Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information. **CC11-12RH/SS8**

SS Big Ideas:	SS Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative Assessments:
Historians insert interpretations when there is a lack	What is the evidence for this argument?	Reading response logs
of resources.		Teacher observation of whole class, individual
	Is that all the evidence, or just what the author	and collaborative work sessions
Every citizen must critically examine points of view	wanted me to read?	Whole class discussions
for how the author uses his or her sources.		Daily quickwrites
	Does differentiating between fact and	Quizzes



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Historians insert interpretations when there is a lack	interpretation matter?	Exit tickets
of resources.	interpretation matter.	Daily journals
of resources.	What causes an individual to impact history?	Study questions
Critical investigation demands constant reassessment	That causes an marriagal to impact instory	Literature circle notes
of one's research strategies.	Where and how should I research my topic?	Socratic seminar discussions
or one breeded outdook on	where and now should resourch my topic.	
ELA Big Ideas:	ELA Essential Questions:	Individual check-ins with students Using public and additional field to the plant of the state of the
Critical investigation demands constant reassessment	How can the analysis of a historically accurate text	Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-it,
of one's research strategies.	assist you in acquiring a more concrete	annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records
Every citizen must critically examine points of view	understanding of a period in history?	anecdotal records
for how the author uses his or her sources.		Suggested Summative Assessments:
	How does tracing the journey of a main character	*** Problem- Now that you have selected and
Integrated Big Ideas	help to solidify a novel's main theme(s)?	narrowed your thesis and created a research plan,
Tensions can exist between different generations	How does one identify authentic sources?	you are ready to find credible, reliable sources to
within a family.		use for your research. You need to prove where
	SS Learning Targets:	you found these sources and why you chose them
Family and culture versus personal identity is a	Analyze, access, manage, integrate, evaluate,	for your research, keeping in mind the author's
theme found in historically accurate literature.	and create information in a variety of forms	intent for the sources.
	and media	
Obligations to family, culture and/or religion are at	• Understand, manage, and create effective oral,	**Product- Submit a process paper and annotated
times at odds with the quest for freedom and personal	written, or multimedia communication	bibliography for your National History Day
identity.	Locate appropriate resources	project.
	Analyze the use of sources that form opinions	An annotated bibliography is required for all
		categories. It should contain all sources that
	ELA Learning Targets:	provided usable information or new
	• Students will be able to analyze, access,	perspectives in preparing your entry.
	manage, integrate, evaluate, and create	
	information in a variety of forms and media	
	Students will understand, manage, and create effective oral, written, or multimedia	
	communication	
	Students will be able to locate appropriate	
	resources	
	 Students will be able to analyze the use of 	
	sources that form ones opinion	
	Write a process paper	
	Create an accurate annotated bibliography	



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Project One: America First

America First is a unit that focuses on the September 11 terrorist attacks. Students are required to draft policy recommendations, defend them against charges or unnecessary Orwellian tactics, and devise a political action plan for implementation.

ELA Concepts: To help students understand the themes of dehumanization, isolation, repression, loneliness, social class disparity, and abuse of power, 1984 will be taught as part of a thematic unit, with a connection to Social Studies, posing the query of when and how a government helps to protect its' citizens civil liberties. Teaching 1984 in concert with this SS thematic connection, students will be able to relate the happenings of 1984 to their own lives and their own futures. In addition to theme and plot, the literary techniques of irony and paradox used in this work are difficult and will be introduced to the students through interactive lessons and literary comparisons.

Social Studies Connections:

Should civil liberties be violated in order to protect National freedoms? How does political corruption affect the economic stability of a region? Of the global economy? Should civil liberties be violated in order to protect National freedoms?

Driving Question: How do we turn ideas into political action? What is the trade-off between securing public safety and maintaining civil liberties?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

1984 by George Orwell

http://www.senate.gov/learning/brief 9.html

http://www.senate.gov/committees/comm_about.html

http://www.senate.gov/learning/learn_process_filibuster.html

http://www.constitutioncenter.org/sections/history/1d1.asp

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¹ Although the 12th grade ELA curriculum is not written as an integrated course, the units are written with a strong connection to social studies so that an integrated ELA/Social Studies integration could be developed if there was student interest.

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http://www.us.penguingroup.com/static/pdf/teachersguides/1984.pdf

Politics and the English Language- George Orwell

Reflections on Gandhi-George Orwell

http://www.bartlebv.com/130/

http://www.history.org/almanack/life/politics/giveme.cfm

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RL1**

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RL2**

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). **CC11-12RL3**

Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement). **CC11-12RL6**

Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics. **CC11-12RL9**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text. **CC11-12RI6**

Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court majority opinions and dissents) and the premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy (e.g., The Federalist, presidential addresses). **CC11-12RI8**

Standards for Writing

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC11-12W2a**

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.



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CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. **CC11-12W2c**

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic. **CC11-12W2d** Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. **CC11-12W2e** Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). **CC11-12W2f**

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC11-12W4**

Speaking and Listening Standards

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 on page 54 for specific expectations.) **CC11-12SL6**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC11-12L2

Observe hyphenation conventions. CC11-12L2a

Spell correctly. CC11-12L2b

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC11-12L3

Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte's *Artful Sentences*) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading. **CC11-12L3a**

Reading Standards for Literacy in History

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas. CC11-12RH/SS2

Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence. CC11-12RH/SS6

ELA Big Ideas:

The setting of 1984 is a dystopia: an imagined world that is far worse than our own, as opposed to a utopia, which is an ideal place or state.

The art of rhetoric leads to producing texts designed to be meaningful, purposeful, or effective for an audience.

ELA Essential Questions:

What are the definitions of utopia and dystopia and how does the writer use the conceit to show the ills in society, particularly how the government controls people (through the use of fear, pornography, substances, and propaganda)?

How does the government (Big Brother) use propaganda through the media and education to control the minds of

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quick writes
- Quizzes



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The study of rhetoric involves analyzing how writers produce such meaningful, purposeful, and effective texts for an audience. Authors combine facts and opinions to communicate perspectives and information. Writers arrange their text through structure and organization with the reader in mind to produce a given effect.	citizens? What are some advancements of Big Brother that are really not clearly advancements in the best interest of the people? How are the prophesies described by Orwell seen in our contemporary world? ELA Learning Targets:	 Exit tickets Daily journals Study questions Literature circle notes Socratic seminar discussions Individual check-ins with students Using rubrics, checklists, feedback postit, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records
		Suggested Summative Assessments:
Integrated Big Ideas with Social Studies: "Advancements" do not always serve the general population. Writers often use their work to protest wrongs they see in their government and society. Language is important to freedom.	 Write a policy paper Write action letter to NY Times Define characteristics of powerful people. Write an essay explaining your opinion, then create a collage depicting scenes of power in action and/or powerful people Students will present analyses of sections of the novel with discussion questions, in which they lead group discussions on particular aspects of the book. Students will examine evidence of doublespeak and Big Brother in the contemporary world. Create a constitution or bill of rights for the Brotherhood. Include rules, constraints, and rights. Use the U.S. Constitution as a guide for form. Debate: Laws protect freedom. On page 169 in 1984, Winston reads from Goldsmith's book that "The invention of print, however, made it easier to manipulate public opinion." Explore the history of using print to influence opinion. 	A Collection of Essays – George Orwell Several of the essays included deal with politics and the move for political actions. In a written essay discuss Orwell's possible motivations and the success of his allusions to power of the people in political change in the essays. On Liberty and other essays – John Stewart Mill Patrick Henry stated, "Give me liberty, or give me death!" Compare Stewart Mill and Henry. Include descriptions of their backgrounds, as well as their writings and speeches. Do you think the implications of the men on liberty were equal? Describe. Groups will prepare a project in which they examine aspects of Orwell's world that already exist by taking three specific passages from the novel and finding parallels in the world around them: doublespeak in ads, government controls on freedom of speech during wartime, use of alcohol and pornography to deflect attention from more pressing issues, the use of the media to protect the government as in Iran or during



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		Vietnam, certain jobs for an upper class and poverty for the masses, etc.
		Create a Constitution or bill of rights for the Brotherhood.
		Summative assessments will be scored with the 11-12 th grade DDOE Informational or Expository Text-Based Writing Rubric.

Project Two: Nature of Man

ELA Concepts: Students will look at several influential philosophers and their interpretations of the nature of man. They will examine the nature of man as presented in William Shakespeare's famous tragedy, *Macbeth*, and use this to help clarify their views on mankind's true nature. Students will then look at how the Founding Fathers' views of mankind influenced the American democracy that exists today. They will extend their thinking to include how democracy is being spread around the world as social systems shift and people realize their rights as human beings, in addition to how increased power and ambition can lend itself to corruption and dictation of some men's nature.

Driving Question: What is the true nature of man and how has it influenced politics and social structures?

Social Studies Connections:

How do changing social structures create both positive change and turmoil?

How does the "nature of man" affect politics and social structures?

How much can we learn from studying historical responses to societal problems?

Timeline: 7 weeks

Resources:

MacBeth by Shakespeare

Cry, the Beloved Country by Alan Paton

Blind Ambition: The White House Years by John Dean

http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/tocs/toc.html

http://www.top-biography.com

http://www.epistemelinks.com/Main/MainPers.asp

http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Marble/5888/views.html

 $\underline{http://www.philosophypages.com}$



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http://www2.lucidcafe.com/lucidcafe/library/96jun/rousseau.html

http://www.jim.com/hobbes.htm

http://www.ashbrook.org/library/#founding

http://www.johnlocke.org/whowasjl.html

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RL1**

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RL2**

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). CC11-12RL3

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.) **CC11-12RL4**

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact. **CC11-12RL5**

Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement). **CC11-12RL6**

Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry); evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and one play by an American dramatist.) **CC11-12RL7**

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.

CC11-12RI3

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging. **CC11-12RI5**

Standards for Writing

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include



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formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. CC11-12W2a

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. CC11-12W2b

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CC11-12W2c

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.

CC11-12W2d

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W2e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). CC11-12W2f

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC11-12W4**

Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. **CC11-12W8**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC11-12W9

Apply *grades 11-12 Reading standards* to literature (e.g., "Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics"). **CC11-12W9a**

Speaking and Listening Standards

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used. **CC11-12SL3**

Language Standards

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC11-12L3

Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte's *Artful Sentences*) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading. **CC11-12L3a**

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. CC11-12L5

Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC11-12L5a

Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC11-12L5b

Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole. **CC11-12RH/SS1**

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key



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details and ideas. CC11-12RH/SS2 Evaluate various explanations for actions or events at matters uncertain. CC11-12RH/SS3	nd determine which explanation best accords with textual ev	idence, acknowledging where the text leaves
ELA Big Ideas:	ELA Essential Questions:	Suggested Formative Assessments:
Shakespeare has the ability to provide a window	What does it mean to be human?	Reading response logs
into the human soul.		Teacher observation of whole class,
	What are the causes of Macbeth's mental deterioration	individual and collaborative work
Romanticism and realism exist on a continuum that	throughout the play?	sessions
presents various perspectives on reality.		Whole class discussions
	What is humanity?	Daily quick writes
Authors use different techniques/strategies to	·	Quizzes
convince readers. Readers must apply criteria to	What is integrity?	• Exit tickets
evaluate credibility of information.		Daily journals
	How do the words in the speech Macbeth gives upon	• Study questions
Great literature provides rich and timeless insights	hearing that his wife is dead in Act V, Scene V. capture	Literature circle notes
into the key themes, dilemmas, and challenges we	one of the major themes in the drama?	Socratic seminar discussions
face. They present complex stories in which the		
inner and outer lives of human beings are revealed.	How do minor characters in Macbeth contribute to the	Individual check-ins with students
Audience and purpose influence the use of literary	play's action and themes?	Using rubrics, checklists, feedback post-
techniques.		it, annotations, reflections, conference
	What is loyalty?	logs, anecdotal records
Integrated Big Ideas with Social Studies:		• Journal Writing—Keep a journal or log.*
Appearances can be deceiving.	What is ambition?	Students can gain significant benefit
		from keeping a journal or reading log.
Wanting something too much can make us do things	What is power?	The journal/log can serve several
against our nature.		functions:
	How does power corrupt?	(a) a chronological sequence of events of
Blind ambition corrupts people.		the play,
	How do we deal with conflicting elements within our	(b) a diary of one of the major characters
Literary themes transcend time and place.	personalities?	[recording in diary form what the
		character is doing and feeling]
Readers and authors are influenced by individual,	What could destroy or build a person's self-worth?	(c) a character development journal
social, cultural and historical contexts		[noting traits, changes, interaction with other characters, interaction with the
Two philosophical positions hold than man is	How does one define a person's self-worth?	themes of the play, the character's use of
inherently good or that man is by nature evil.		language],
m 19 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Is one's self-worth constant or ever changing?	(d) writing about one or more of the
Two philosophical positions hold that man is		(u) writing about one or more of the



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controlled by fate or that man has free will.	How far is one willing to "go" to get what they desire most? Does nature or nurture determine a person's destiny?	themes of the play [how they are interpreted by Shakespeare, how they relate to the modern world]
	Does nature or nurture determine a person's destiny? How does technology support, influence, shape who you are? ELA Learning Targets: Students will read <i>Macbeth</i> , by Shakespeare, and write and edit an expository essay. Students will read, analyze and respond in journals to various pieces of writing, including primary sources. Students will deliver and defend an oral presentation Students will maintain a digital research journal. Define drama specific terms Consciously use and evaluate a wide variety of strategies before, during, and after reading, viewing, and listening to increase their comprehension and recall Use efficient note-making and note-taking strategies Explain the effects of a variety of literary devices and techniques Diary Entry: after the reading of act three, student will be asked to write 3 diary entries as Macbeth, one after scenes 1, 2, and 4. Demonstrate an understanding of the main ideas, events, or themes of the play Macbeth Develop coherent and plausible interpretations of material	Suggested Summative Assessments: Literary Analysis ² —You will be noting every reference to your team's given motif—that's the "What." Once you've gathered all your specific details, you and your team will then interpret and organize the collective data and draw conclusions that will reveal the "Big So What." Your ultimate goal is to write a scholarly essay, analyzing the overall thematic significance of your given topic's recurring references throughout the play. Topics/Motifs: Identify all images of or references to (whether stated directly or implied) anything related to your topic. "Un" words (any words that begin with the prefix "un") Birds and other animals Blood & water Sleep Children/babies Light & dark /night & day Weather Appearances vs. reality ("Fair is foul and foul is fair") Time
	 Support their opinions or respond to questions and tasks Analyze communications to identify weak argumentation 	Clothing Summative assessment will be scored with the 11-12 th grade DDOE Informational or

² Task is from http://sandersonhs.org/jbennett/resources/Macbeth_Projects.pdf



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	 Compare and analyze different presentations of the same ideas and issues Adjust their form, style, tone, and language to suit specific audiences and purposes Clarify and focus their topics to suit their purposes and audiences Locate, access, and select appropriate information from resources Apply various strategies to generate and shape ideas Assess their own and others' work for sentence clarity, precision of language use, and variety and artistry of expression Demonstrate a willingness to accept and provide constructive criticism and feedback Create a variety of academic, technical, and personal communications Demonstrate confidence in their abilities to communicate effectively 	Expository Text-Based Writing Rubric.

Project Three: Isolationism

ELA Concept: Students will read the text *The Last Town on Earth* which fictionalizes real problems during a real crisis in American life. The plight of the flu victims, the hardships of working families, and the harshness of war on both the fighters and those left behind are all historical issues that come into play in the novel. Students will research the history of pandemics and identify the importance of studying patterns in events. These historically accurate events allow for not only the analysis of the fictional motivations of the characters but also the historical motivations behind the people and events.

Driving Question: How can an intangible evil affect an entire society?

Social Studies Connections:

How much can we learn from studying historical responses to societal problems?

Timeline: 5 weeks

Resources:

The Last Town on Earth by Thomas Mullen

Franklin Roosevelt, the "Quarantine" Speech (1937)

(http://www.academicamerican.com/worldwar2/topics/1920WWII1940.htm)

(http://klarbooks.com/academic/isolate.html)



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(http://histclo.com/essay/war/ww2/cou/us/ww2us-iso.html)

(http://harwich.edu/depts/history/HHJ/iso.htm)

(http://www.johndclare.net/peacetowar1919-1939 redruth.htm)

(http://users.ju.edu/jclarke/wizzd.html)

(http://www.historyonthenet.com/WW2/causes.htm)

(http://millercenter.org/president/fdroosevelt/essays/biography/5)

Black Death http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/middle ages/black 01.shtml

The Black Death's lasting impact on British society http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/middle_ages/black_impact_01.shtml

The Black Death, 1348 http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/plague.htm

Black Death in the Middle Ages http://history.boisestate.edu/westciv/plague/

England's Green and Pleasant Land http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/utk/england/land.htm

The Black Death http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/museum/item.asp?item_id=23

What was it really like to live in the Middle Ages? http://www.learner.org/interactives/middleages/

The Black Death http://www.the-orb.net/textbooks/westciv/blackdeath.html

The Florentine Chronicle http://www3.iath.virginia.edu/osheim/marchione.html

Ordinances for Sanitation in a Time of Mortality http://www3.iath.virginia.edu/osheim/pistoia.html

The Plague: An Abiding Scourge http://www.worcesterart.org/Hope/scourge frame.html

Earthly Assistance: Good Works in Time of Plague http://www.worcesterart.org/Hope/earthly frame.html

Heavenly Assistance: God and the Saints http://www.worcesterart.org/Hope/heavenly_frame.html

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature:

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). **CC11-12RL3**

Reading Standards for Informational Text:

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines *faction* in *Federalist* No. 10). **CC11-12RI4** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem. **CC11-12RI7**

Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (including The Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address) for their themes, purposes, and rhetorical features. **CC11-12RI9**



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Writing Standards:

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. CC11-12W3

Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events. **CC11-12W3a**

Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters. CC11-12W3b

Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution). **CC11-12W3c**

Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. CC11-12W3d

Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative. **CC11-12W3e**Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. **CC11-12W4**Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. **CC11-12W5**

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information. CC11-12W6

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. **CC11-12W7**Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. **CC11-12W8**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC11-12W9

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. CC11-12W10

Speaking and Listening Standards:

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. **CC11-12SL6**

Language Standards:

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. **CC11-12L1**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. **CC11-12L2**Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. **CC11-12L3**



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Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies:

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas. CC11-12RH/SS2

Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain. CC11-12RH/SS3

Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole. CC11-12RH/SS5

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem. CC11-12RH/S\$7

ELA Big Ideas:

Effective researchers start with a clear purpose, topic, and audience when doing research.

Effective researchers have a toolbox of strategies that help them organize, select, and evaluate information.

Effective research writers synthesize and interpret information in a documented research paper.

Effective researchers present information without plagiarizing.

An effective writer of historical non-fiction will use research strategically.

Good readers ask questions about text to better understand what ideas require making inferences. Modernist literature challenges the reader to consider various ways to represent reality.

Integrated Big Ideas with Social Studies:

Many different types of sources exist to help us gather information about the past, such as artifacts and documents. Sources about the past need to be critically analyzed and categorized as they are used.

ELA Essential Questions:

Were contemporary issues also problematic for past societies?

Why are those issues difficult? Is there a pattern of continuity or change?

How much can we learn from studying historical responses to societal problems?

What is the evidence for this argument? Is that *all* the evidence, or just what the author wanted me to read?

Why does differentiating between fact and interpretation matter?

What is the rhetorical situation of a piece of writing?

Why did this writer want to contribute these thoughts and ideas at this point in history?

How do texts shape our decisions?

How do the media and special interest groups use rhetoric and persuasive techniques to change people's behaviors towards issues?

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quick writes
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback postit, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

Students will write an historical fiction short story. Students will assume the context of a small town in France during an outbreak of the Bubonic Plague. After doing research they will brain storm a list of characters that live in the town and write a story about their experience. These will be compiled into a

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Critical investigation demands constant reassessment of one's research strategies.	How is literature reflective of the time period in which it is written? ELA Learning Targets: Develop, implement, and communicate new ideas to others Locate appropriate resources Write a historically accurate fiction on the Bubonic Plague Analysis/problem essay of US Foreign policy Primary source analysis Comparison of multi- media representations of the same events	frame story about the plague that comes from varied perspectives. Summative assessment will be scored with the 11-12 th grade DDOE Narrative Text-Based Writing Rubric.

Project Four: Author Study: Kate Chopin (A LDC Exemplar Unit)

This unit draws from a National Endowment for the Humanities unit plan for Kate Chopin's *The Awakening* and blends this focus with additional study of three of Chopin's short stories: "The Story of an Hour," "Desiree's Child," and "The Storm." Through the study of one author, students will explore the ways in which authors use characters to shape themes for larger social and political commentary. Additionally, students will relate other literary elements and movements to Chopin's work including setting, dialect, literary realism, and literary criticism.

ELA Concepts: Students will conduct a primary and secondary character analysis specifically in relation to other characters in the text and generally in relation to social and political contexts, using representations in multiple media formats in order to frame opinions about differing analyses of the same event.

Driving Question: How does Kate Chopin use character development to shape themes for larger social and political commentary?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

The Awakening

 $(\underline{http://docsouth.unc.edu/southlit/chopinawake/menu.html})$

"The Story of an Hour"

 $(\underline{http://www.katechopin.org/pdfs/Kate\%20Chopin,\%20The\%20Story\%20of\%20an\%20Hour.pdf})$

"The Storm" (http://classiclit.about.com/od/stormkatechopin/a/aa thestorm kchopin.htm)

"Désirée's Baby" http://www.katechopin.org/pdfs/desirees-baby.pdf



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http://www.literacydesigncollaborative.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/CO-Author-Study-Kate-Chopin-Colorado-Centennial-School-District-Module Rubricl.pdf

EDSITEment Unit Plan for The awakening (1430L) (http://edsitement.neh.gov/curriculum-unit/kate-chopins-awakening#sect-theunit)

Chopin's THE AWAKENING by Tamara Powell (2009) (N/A)

(http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00144940903250292?journalCode=vexp20#.UYCmn1El2Vo) Article analyzing the Africanist presence for use with Functional Language Analysis.

Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) Writing Rubric

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/aab/English Language Arts/ELA docs folder/Rubrics%20Argumentation/Gr11-12 Argument 2-13.pdf

ELA Standards:

Common Core Anchor Standards — Reading

Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. **CC11-12R1**

Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. CC11-12R2

Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. CC11-12R4

Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text. CC11-12R6

Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently. CC11-12R10

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). CC11-12RL3

Writing Standards

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. **CC11-12W1**Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. **CC11-12W4**Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. **CC11-12W5**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CC11-12W9

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. CC11-12W1

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 11-12 topics*, *texts*, *and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC11-12SL1**

Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed. CC11-12SL1b

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives. **CC11-12SL1c**



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Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task. **CC11-12SL1d**

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11–12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC.11-12.L.4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. **CC11-12L4a**

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage. **CC11-12L4c**

ELA Big Ideas:

Readers interpret text by reading thoroughly and with purpose to determine main ideas and the facts and details used to support them.

Readers continually monitor and check their interpretations of the author's intent and meaning.

Background knowledge supports understanding of text.

Reflect on how culture and setting plays an important role in a novel, especially in local color and regional literature.

Readers will analyze character development In comparison to other characters, specifically related to women's roles in 19th century America.

Discuss how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics.

ELA Essential Questions:

In what ways do Chopin's texts reflect attributes of literary realism, local color, and/or regionalism?

What effects do these choices have on meaning and aesthetics?

How does background knowledge of historical events help us understand literature?

How do Chopin's texts speak to the roles of women and the conventions of literature at the end of the 19th century?

How does the setting and culture of each text work as an important component of each protagonist's transformation?

How is language used to represent stereotypes of character and social beliefs/concerns of the period?

ELA Learning Targets:

- Students will work with a partner to establish a purpose for approaching reading texts of Chopin.
- Students will report out key elements of

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quick writes
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback postit, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

Students write an argumentative essay that analyzes character development specifically in relation to other characters in the texts and generally in relation to social and political contexts, providing examples to clarify the analysis. What conclusion or implications can you draw? A bibliography, or works

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	 investigation for the unit. Students will create a bookmark of key elements for the novella. Students will maintain a list of essential vocabulary words that are critical to understanding the reading texts. Students will identify contextual information to assist in identifying the meaning of a vocabulary word. Students will identify and evaluate the effect of author's choices for setting, character development, and other literary elements. Students will research the attributes of realism, local color and/or regionalism. Students will select passages from Chopin's text that reflect realism, local color and/or regionalism and produce a group presentation detailing evidence of their findings. Students will be able to closely read chunked sections of text multiple times for deepening understanding. Students will compose a character chart using textually supported entries and/or research into context. Students will participate in small group discussion and/or discussion seminars for each reading text. Students will construct a written evaluation of conclusions that are drawn from discussion seminars for each reading text. Students will develop text based questions using reading passages from Chopin. Students will create a mini presentation for a gallery walk and participate in a guided learning tour. 	cited, is required. To be scored with the summative assessment rubric included in the published Literacy Design Collaborative unit, supported by the 11-12 th grade DDOE Argumentation/ Opinion Text-Based Writing Rubric.



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Project Five: The Declaration of Independent Sentiments (A LDC Exemplar Unit)

This unit asks students to perform a close reading of two important Humanities Texts: the Declaration of Independence (1776) and the Declaration of Sentiments (1848). The Paideia Seminar discussion will focus on the Declaration of Sentiments (adopted at the Women's Right Convention held at Seneca Falls, NY); although, students will be encouraged to refer to both texts during the discussion.

ELA Concepts: Students will read multiple texts for meaning and inferences, think critically and collaboratively in a group about concepts and ideas of a text through a structured Socratic seminar, and develop a line of thought and text structure appropriate to an argumentation task.

Driving Question: Should the *Declaration of Sentiments* (Seneca Falls 1848) be read as an extension of the *Declaration of Independence* (Philadelphia 1776) or an entirely separate document?

Timeline: 2-3 weeks

Resources:

The Declaration of Independence (Philadelphia 1776)

The Declaration of Sentiments (Seneca Falls 1848)

Literacy Design Council Unit

http://www.literacydesigncollaborative.org/resources/sample-modules/english-language-arts/

Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) Writing Rubric

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/aab/English Language Arts/ELA docs folder/Rubrics%20Argumentation/Gr11-12 Argument 2-13.pdf

ELA Standards:

Common Core Anchor Standards — Reading

Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. CC11-12R1

Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. CC11-12R2

Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. CC11-12R4

Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently. CC11-12R10

Writing Standards

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. **CC11-12W1**Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. **CC11-12W4**Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. **CC11-12W5**

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.CC11-12W9

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of



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tasks, purposes, and audiences. CC11-12W10

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 11-12 topics*, *texts, and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC11-12SL1**

Come to discussions prepared having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC11-12SL1a**

Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

CC11-12SL1b

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks. **CC11-12SL4**

Language Standards

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CC11-12L1

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. CC11-12L2

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. CC11-12L3

ELA Big Ideas:

Readers interpret text by reading thoroughly and with purpose to determine main ideas and the facts and details used to support them.

Readers identify and master terms essential to understanding a text.

Reflect on personal communication habits and select appropriate speaking and listening goals for future discussions.

Readers will discuss how two or more texts treat similar themes or topics.

Writers select important facts and passages for use in argumentation and one's own writing.

ELA Essential Questions:

What are the important features of a good response to a question or prompt?

What are the basic structural components of a seminar text?

How do we identify key terms that are essential to understanding a text?

What self-assessment strategies on speaking and listening can be identified for future discussions?

Why is it important in the process of inquiry to "identify gaps" or "unanswered questions" about a topic?

How do we establish a controlling idea and consolidate information relevant to a task?

What elements are essential to editing and formatting a piece of writing making it appropriate to audience and purpose?

ELA Learning Targets:

• Students will work with a partner to identify key

Suggested Formative Assessments:

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- Daily quick writes
- Ouizzes
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- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
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	features of examples of appropriate responses to prompts. Students will report out key elements and create a classroom list of good responses to prompts. Students will determine essential facts necessary to understand context of key text. Students will participate in a short lecture, power point video or reading related to understanding context of key text. Students will identify contextual information to assist in identifying the meaning of the word, "Declaration". Students will read texts, label different paragraph types and discuss structural features as a large group. Students will develop a notebook of key vocabulary terms and phrases essential to the text. Students will participate in small group discussions about key terms and phrases essential to understanding the text, while reading aloud within the group. Students will locate background information on the Woman's Right Convention of 1848. Students will discuss the definition of the word "sentiment" and review other words associated with the word. Students will work in groups to read text aloud and compose a summary of each section of the reading. Students will identify the purpose of the six sections of the text. Students will write individual goals using the Seminar Process Assessment sheet and share goals with a partner. Students will write an opening paragraph that includes a controlling idea and sequences key	Suggested Summative Assessments: After reading The Declaration of Independence and the Declaration of Sentiments, write an essay in which you compare the two and argue one point of view or the other. Support your position with evidence from the texts. To be scored with the summative assessment rubric included in the published Literacy Design Collaborative unit, supported by the 11-12 th grade DDOE Argumentation/ Opinion Text-Based Writing Rubric.



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	 points in a composition. Students will identify key points that support the development of argument. Students will create an outline based upon notes from readings and discussions. Student will produce an initial draft complete with opening, development, and closing; citing textual evidence. Students will revise draft that demonstrates evidence of refined logic, analysis and organization of ideas/points. Students will turn in a complete set of drafts, including a final version that is ready for evaluation. 	

Project Six: Oppression and Unsung Voices

ELA Concepts: Students will study the history of oppression through both historical, political, fiction and non-fiction texts. They will demonstrate the **use of** poetry and poetic devices in making heard the voice of an unheard population.

Driving Question: How can we as students create meaningful poetry that reflects the personal experiences felt by survivors around the world?

Social Studies Connections:

How do texts about other ages, genders, nationalities, races, religions, and disabilities tell experiences similar to mine?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

http://www.voiceseducation.org/category/tag/wwii-japanese-poet

http://photoblog.msnbc.msn.com/_news/2011/12/07/9249784-a-look-back-at-pearl-harbor-attacks-70-years-ago

http://www.history.com/news/2011/12/07/5-facts-about-pearl-harbor-and-the-uss-arizona/

http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii

http://www.metrolyrics.com/bomb-the-world-lyrics-michael-franti-spearhead.html (Entry Event Song)

http://www.pbs.org/thewar/at war timeline 1939.htm TIMELINE OF WWII

 $\underline{http://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/features/jan-june 00/poetrybox for mexamples.html}~POETRY~RULES$



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http://www.doe.k12.de.us/commoncore/ela/admintoolkit/spdg_grantlessons.shtml

Night by Elie Wiesel

History Channel Film - The Pacific: The Historical Background

Movie-The Pianist

Oprah interview with Elie Wiesel at Auschwitz

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards for Literature

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RL1**

Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RL2**

Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed). **CC11-12RL3**

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.) **CC11-12RL4**

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. **CC11-12W2a**

Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. **CC11-12W2b**

Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. **CC11-12W2c**

Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.

CC11-12W2d

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W2e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic). CC11-12W2f

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC11-12W4**

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Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas. **CC11-12SL1a**

Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

CC11-12SL1b

Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives. **CC11-12SL1c**

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task. **CC11-12SL1d**

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used. **CC11-12SL3**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks. **CC11-12SL4**

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC11-12SL5**

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 on page 54 for specific expectations.) **CC11-12SL6**

Language Standards

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grades 11-12 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC11-12L4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CC11-12L4a

Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).

CC11-12L4b

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage. **CC11-12L4c**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). **CC11-12L4d** Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. **CC11-12L5**

Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. CC11-12L5a

Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations. CC11-12L5b

Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves



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matters uncertain. CC11-12RH/SS3

Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information. **CC11-12RH/SS8**Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources. **CC11-12RH/SS9**

ELA Big Ideas:

Poetry uses the musicality of words (property of sounding like music) to express emotions and insights.

Writers write for a variety of purposes and audiences.

Poetry is open to personal interpretations.

Words play a unique role in every line.

One event can suddenly change a person's life.

There is a dark side to human nature.

ELA Essential Questions:

How do good readers and writers identify, understand, and use characteristics and elements of various types of poetry?

How can the use of imagery leave a lasting impression on a reader?

What events can impact a loss of hope?

ELA Learning Targets:

Students will read, analyze, and compare works of poetry by the following authors:

- W. H. Auden; Elizabeth Bishop; William Blake; Gwendolyn Brooks; Robert Browning; George Gordon, Lord Byron; Lorna Dee Cervantes; Geoffrey Chaucer; John Donne; Rita Dove; Paul Laurence Dunbar; Seamus Heaney; George Herbert; Garrett Hongo; Sylvia Plath; Edgar Allan Poe; Alexander Pope; Adrienne Rich; Anne Sexton; William Shakespeare; Percy Bysshe Shelley; Leslie Marmon Silko; William Carlos Williams; William Wordsworth; William Butler Yeats
- Students will be required to create a portfolio of original poems.
- Cite evidence of imagery that assists in leaving a lasting memory on the reader of "Night"
- Identify how writing is a creative outlet for the oppressed
- Use the writing process to develop texts
- Develop habits of mind for academic writers: inquiry, complexity, conversation, and process

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- o Actively reading poetry
- Rereading poetry
- o Words and Images
 - Reading for denotation
 - Reading for connotation
 - Reading for images
- Practicing a methodology for the analysis of poetry: Title, paraphrase, connotation, attitude, shifts, title, theme
- Practicing close reading on selected passages from thematically linked literature – diction, word order, verb form, point of view, metaphor
- Literary terms and techniques as suggested by the literature

<u>Timed Writing:</u> Analysis of how a poet uses words and images to create an effect on the reader

Writing Project:

Comparing differences in voice, tone, and sound in two poems that are thematically linked, but otherwise very different.

Writing Project:

Writing a sonnet

Writing Project:

Collect examples of figurative language from advertisement – TV, radio, print media. Write a short paper about how these figures

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		Writing about poetry and social criticism. Given selected poems, how do the speakers address the social issues in the poems? How do the techniques and figures that the poets use support their commentary?
		Research Project: o Identifying issues for the project o Topic selection and reflective writing o Thinking about sources of information o Persuasion: types of claims Summative assessments will be scored with the 11-12 th grade DDOE Informational or
		Expository Text-Based Writing Rubric.

Project Seven: Rethinking Ophelia (A LDC Exemplar Unit)

This unit begins with a reading of *Hamlet* through the gender and social class theoretical lenses. Students will embark upon a contemporary exploration of Ophelia and the social perceptions of her character by examining literary nonfiction critiques of her character. The unit will serve as the culminating writing for the entire unit.

ELA Concepts: After reading *Hamlet* and other essays, students will write a literature review of each of the three essays that describes and analyzes the content of each reading from a gender perspective and addresses the question with supporting documentation of evidence.

Driving Question: How can a gender theoretical lens shape the way Ophelia is perceived in Hamlet?

Timeline: 4-5 weeks

Resources:

Shakespeare's *Hamlet*.

(http://modulecreator.com/ModuleCreator/#page=login&moduleId=10454&scrollTo=articles)

Androgynous "union" and the woman in Hamlet.

 $(\underline{http://moduleCreator.com/ModuleCreator/\#page=login\&moduleId=10454\&scrollTo=articles})\ Shakespeare\ Studies\ (1995) -- Stone,\ James\ Warden and Studies\ (1995) -- Stone,\ Stone$

 $WIDA_DefiningFeatures_AcademicLanguage [1].pdf$

(http://literacybytechnology.s3.amazonaws.com/teacherresourceuploads/10454/1766512302 Mar 14 2012 13165778.pdf)



Unit Concept Essential Questions Assessments Big Ideas Student Learning Targets

Between "Girl Power" and "Reviving Ophelia": Constituting the Neoliberal Girl Subject by Marnina Gonick (N/A)

(http://www.jstor.org/stable/4317205) NWSA Journal, Vol. 18, No. 2 (Summer, 2006), pp. 1-23

On Ophelia's Madness by Carroll Camden (N/A)

(http://www.jstor.org/stable/2867895) Shakespeare Quarterly, Vol. 15, No. 2 (Spring, 1964), pp. 247-255

Shakespeare's Gentle Heroine by Bertha Vanderlyn (N/A)

(http://www.jstor.org/stable/25587073) Fine Arts Journal, Vol. 14, No. 3 (Mar., 1903), pp. 91-94

Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) Writing Rubric

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/aab/English Language Arts/ELA docs folder/Rubrics%20Informational/Gr11-12 InfoExp 2-13.pdf

ELA Standards:

Reading Standards

Common Core Anchor Standards — Reading

Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. CC11-12R1

Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. CC11-12R2

Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. CC11-12R4

Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text. CC11-12R6

Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently. CC11-12R10

Writing Standards

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CC11-12W2

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. CC11-12W4

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. CC11-12 W5

 $Draw\ evidence\ from\ literary\ or\ informational\ texts\ to\ support\ analysis,\ reflection,\ and\ research. CC11-12W9$

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences. CC11-12W10

Speaking and Listening Standards

Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grades 11-12 topics*, *texts, and issues*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. **CC11-12SL1**

Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed. CC11-12SL1b



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Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives. **CC11-12SL1c**

Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task. **CC11-12SL1d**

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11–12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. **CC.11-12.L.4**

Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. **CC11-12L4a**

Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., *conceive*, *conception*, *conceivable*).

CC11-12L4b

Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage. **CC11-12L4c**

Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary). CC11-12L4d

.ELA Big Ideas:

Readers identify the central point and main supporting elements of a text.

Readers will be able to apply the gender lens to a reading text.

Readers continually monitor and check their interpretations of the author's intent and meaning.

Readers identify and master terms essential to understanding a text.

Readers will demonstrate the ability to select passages from text relevant to an analysis task.

Writers will develop a line of thought and text structure appropriate to a literary review/informational analysis.

ELA Essential Questions:

What is the gender lens and how does a reader use it to evaluate text?

How can a gender theoretical lens shape the way Ophelia is perceived in *Hamlet*?

What is the relationship between the reader and the writer? How can you know a writer's intended audience?

ELA Learning Targets:

- Students will "think, pair, share" with a partner about a given prompt, identifying verbs that are essential to understanding the task and content.
- Students will adequately explain the purpose and process of using the gender lens by stating a definition and example from another text previously discussed.
- Students will read *Hamlet* and other selected essays.
- Students will identify central point and main supporting elements of a reading text.

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quick writes
- Quizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback postit, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

After reading *Hamlet* and other essays, students write a literature review of each of

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	 Students will maintain a list of essential vocabulary words that are critical to understanding the reading texts through the use of sticky notes marking a text. Students will identify contextual information to assist in identifying the meaning of a vocabulary word. Students will use graphic organizers to illustrate vocabulary terms. (word mapping) Students will select key terms as a group and create vocabulary cards. Students will develop strategies for note taking and/or annotation in MLA format. Students will identify relevant elements such as quotes and explanation, including necessary citation information to support facts and findings. Students will be able to participate in discussion-based groups, such as seminar Students will develop a thesis statement that incorporates an entry point into an analysis. Students will identify key points that support development of argument. Students will participate in whole class critique of sample thesis statements, reviewing each statement and commenting on the effectiveness of each thesis. Students will create an outline or organizer based upon notes and reading, stating claim, sequence of point and supporting evidence. Student will produce an initial draft complete with opening, development, and closing; citing textual evidence. Students will participate in peer conferencing using the model of writing studio. Students will revise draft that demonstrates evidence of refined logic, analysis and organization of ideas/points. 	the three essays that describes and analyzes the content of each reading from a gender perspective and addresses the question. Students will support discussion with evidence from the text(s), including citation information. To be scored with the summative assessment rubric included in the published Literacy Design Collaborative unit, supported by the 11-12 th grade DDOE Informational or Explanatory Text-Based Writing Rubric.



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	• Students will turn in a complete set of drafts, including a final version that is ready for evaluation.	

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Project Eight: Justice

ELA Concepts: Through an analysis of multi-media sources, students will explore the ideals of justice and create a definition of justice representative of their unit long exploration of the theme.

Driving Question: Does the idea of "justice" change based on where you are? Do the "ends" always justify the "means?"

Social Studies Connections:

Is justice without the law acceptable in a civilized society?

Timeline: 4 weeks

Resources:

Editorials:

"Time to Assert American Values," from The New York Times

"Comment," by Pat Lancaster

Articles:

"Rough Justice," by Alejandro Reyes

"An Immodest Idea," by Anna Mulrine

"Germany Divided Over Hijab," by Andreas Tzortzis

"Guernica Returned to Spain," from The History Channel Web site

"Nona Gaye Gathers Artists for Anti-AIDS Tribute," by B.E. Gilbert (optional)

Proclamation:

"Declaration of the Rights of the Child," by the United Nations

Speeches:

"Statement on International Children's Day," by President Nelson Mandela

Excerpt from "On Civil Disobedience," by Mohandas Gandhi

Excerpt from "One Word of Truth Outweighs the World," by Alexander Solzhenitsyn

Essays:

"School's Out for Summer," by Anna Quindlen

"Kohlberg's Six Stages of Moral Reasoning" by Lawrence Kohlberg

Testimony: "Religious Expression," by Nashala Hearn

Letter: Excerpt from "Letter from Birmingham Jail," by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Art: "Guernica," by Pablo Picasso

Photo Essay: "Children Behind Bars," by Steve Liss (or other photo essay)



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ELA Standards

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. **CC11-12RI1**

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text. **CC11-12RI2**

Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging. **CC11-12RI5**

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem. **CC11-12RI7**

By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC12RI10**

Writing Standards

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. **CC11-12W1** Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CC11-12W1a**

Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases. **CC11-12W1b**

Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims. **CC11-12W1c**

Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing. CC11-12W1d Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented. CC11-12W1e

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.) **CC11-12W4**

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information. CC11-12W6

Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. **CC11-12W8**

Speaking and Listening Standards

Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data. **CC11-12SL2**

Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used. **CC11-12SL3**

Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and



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informal tasks. CC11-12SL4

Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. **CC11-12SL5**

Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem. CC11-12RH/SS7

Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources. **CC11-12RH/SS9**

By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 11-12 text complexity band independently and proficiently. **CC11-12RH/SS10**

ELA Big Ideas:

When writing a longer work, writers weave a single thread throughout the whole work to tie it all together.

Body paragraphs, details, and examples all serve to support the thesis or controlling idea of the work.

A writer's point of view is influenced by his experience.

Authors use different techniques/strategies to convince readers.

Integrated Big Ideas:

Writing is conversation about a topic. When writers write, they are contributing to the conversation about that topic.

Writers select forms and modes of development based on the purpose for writing.

Good researchers start with a clear purpose, topic, and audience when doing research.

Good researchers employ strategies to help them

ELA Essential Questions:

How do authors write an interesting introduction to capture the reader? What is an effective conclusion?

How does what you know help you understand text?

How does thinking about the author's purpose and message deepen understanding?

How do text features and characteristics of informational and literary text influence reader interpretation?

ELA Learning Targets:

- Write a cause and effect paper
- Read a variety of texts critically and proficiently to demonstrate in writing or speech the comprehension, analysis, and interpretation of those texts
- Recognize, explain, and apply various rhetorical modes in writing (persuasion, explanation, narration, analysis, contrast, process, classification and definition, analogy, illustration, summation with bases, abstraction)
- Argue researched perspectives on issues of professional/personal/civic significance
- Demonstrate the skills needed to participate in a conversation that builds knowledge collaboratively:

Suggested Formative Assessments:

- Reading response logs
- Teacher observation of whole class, individual and collaborative work sessions
- Whole class discussions
- Daily quick writes
- Ouizzes
- Exit tickets
- Daily journals
- Study questions
- Literature circle notes
- Socratic seminar discussions
- Individual check-ins with students
- Using rubrics, checklists, feedback postit, annotations, reflections, conference logs, anecdotal records

Suggested Summative Assessments:

After self-selecting and researching an intriguing social issue, consider whether or not "the means always justify the ends" and the impact of moral ambiguity. Using research to support your opinion, write an argumentative research paper outlining your

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research information.	listening carefully and respectfully to others' viewpoints; articulating their own ideas and	opinion.
Good research comes from a variety of accurate and valid sources.	questions clearly; and situating their own ideas in relation to other voices and ideas. Students will be able to prepare, organize, and deliver an engaging oral presentation.	Summative assessments will be scored with the 11-12 th grade DDOE Argumentation/ Opinion Text-Based Writing Rubric.

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