Summit Public Schools Summit, New Jersey

Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School Grade 6 / English Language Arts Curriculum Length of Course: Full Year (revised 2016-2017)

Course Description: Sixth Grade Language Arts provides students with the literacy skills to access meaning in written texts and synthesize it to create personal meaning. Students develop their critical and interpretive reading skills through close reading of both fiction and nonfiction texts. While reading students make connections to themselves, the world around them and across texts. Students engage in meaningful discourse to help promote their interpretation of texts. Students write for a variety of purposes and audiences in the form of literary analysis, research-based argumentative essays, narratives, and poetry. Students hone their writing skills through a comprehensive writing process including thorough planning, drafting, self-editing, peer-editing, and conferencing. Through this process students become thoughtful, well-versed writers. Throughout the course students engage with multimedia as both a resource and a product of their understanding. Students employ reading, writing, and speaking skills across other disciplines as they engage in cross-curricular projects.

Unit 1 Putting Our Heads Together - A Unit on Getting to Know Others (Character Analysis & Explanatory Writing)

Anchor Standards

NJSLSA.R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

NJSLSA.R4 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.

NJSLSA.R5 Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

NJSLSA.R7 Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.

NJSLSA.R9 Analyze and reflect on how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.

NJSLSA.W1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. NJSLSA.W2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

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

NJSLSA.W5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.

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

NJSLSA.W10 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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

NJSLSA.SL1 Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

NJSLSA.SL2 Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

Big Ideas: Course Objectives / Content Statement(s)

- Draw inferences about characters and their traits based on details from text
- Compare literary texts to compose claims supported through argument and textual support
- Craft formal written explanatory essay through structured writing

 Essential Questions What provocative questions will foster inquiry, understanding, and transfer of learning? How will students make inferences to increase comprehension of text? How will students determine the meaning of words and phrases within context? How will students analyze and compare texts? How will students develop and support claims? 	 Enduring Understandings What will students understand about the big ideas? Inferences are based on textual evidence Unknown words may be defined based on context Claims are supported with arguments and specific textual evidence Literary texts are compared critically using domain specific vocabulary Comparative analysis is written providing claim, argument, textual support and citations
 Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators) Students will: NJSLSELA NJSLSELA.RL.6.2. Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments. 	 Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section) Instructional Focus: (Objectives) Closely read the text to make inferences about the characters based on their speech and actions Use context and context clues to determine the meaning of unknown words when reading Use details from the text to draw relevant inferences Differentiate between the use of vague and specific support when citing text Utilize specific support in writing Analyze structure of an explanatory essay

NJSLSELARL.6.3. Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.5. Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.6. Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.

NJSLSELAW.6.1. Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. (A-E)

NJSLSELA.W.6.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

NJSLSELA.W.6.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, voice and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

NJSLSELA.SL 6.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners on grade 6

- Write explanatory essay using effective claim, analysis, text evidence, and transitions
- Analyze literature using literary terms including characterization and sequencing
- Compare and contrast characters and their traits from different pieces of literature
- When writing formally students will adhere to the conventions of standard English
- Engage in collaborative book group discussions

Sample Assessments: (name and describe assessments- ie. journal entries, mindmap, essay on --, etc)

- Summer Reading Essay
 - Writing a 4-paragraph explanatory essay, following 5-step writing process
 - Comparing the friendship qualities of two characters from two texts
 - Using specific textual support of arguments
 - Assessed using the 6-point PARCC writing rubric
- <u>Mind Map</u>
 - Creating a visual exploration of students' connections to characters within the literature
 - Identifying character traits and supporting evidence
 - Assessed using teacher-developed rubric
- A Character's Journey- Character plot mountain
 - Track how a character's traits change throughout a story as plot unfolds
 - Identifying character traits and supporting evidence
- Reading Comprehension and Writing Pre-Assessment
 - Based on short story, "I Used to Live Here Once"
 - Literal and inferential based reading comprehension questions
 - Respond to a topic related to the reading through an explanatory paragraph
 - Writing assessed using the 6-point PARCC writing rubric
- Answering Reading Comprehension Questions
- Literary Term Quizlet (Quiz)
- Literary Term Test
- Grammar Quiz
- Writer's Notebook
 - Entries with mentor texts that model proper grammar use
- Landfill Harmonic Assessment
 - Based on video, "The Landfill Harmonic"
 - Applying literary terms to narrative
 - Identifying character traits
 - Providing specific support from the video to support answers

Instructional Strategies: (all activities over the course of the unit- at least 10)

• Character Trait Card Game (Wonder)

topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. (A - D)

NJSLSELA.SL 6.2 Interpret information presented in diverse media and formats, (e.g. visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how it contributes to a topic, text, or issue under study.

NJSLSELA..L.6.4.A

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

Career-Ready Practices

CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.

CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.

CRP3: Attend to personal health and financial well-being.

CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason. **CRP5**: Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.

CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation.

CRP7: Employ valid and reliable research strategies.

CRP8: Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

CRP9: Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management.

CRP10: Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.

CRP11:. Use technology to enhance productivity.

CRP12: Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.

- <u>Flocabulary: I Have Traits</u>
- Book Group Discussions (Summer Reading Books)
- Read & Listen to "Eleven"
- Identifying Specific vs. Vague Examples (using paddles)
- Deconstructing Summer Reading Essay
- Writer's Workshop (self-editing, peer-editing, teacher conferences, graphic organizers, editing phones)
- Foldable for paragraph structure
- Brainstorming
- Study Tools for Specific vs. Vague Support
- Flocabulary: Who, What, Why Where, When
- Task Statement Write-Around with pictures (Introduction to Unit)
- Website (Putting Our Heads Together) Scavenger Hunt
- Literary Terms Matching Game (with examples from story)
- Use nesting dolls to discuss theme of "Eleven"
- Literary Term Nursery Rhyme Practice
- 'Simon's Cat Literary Term Practice
- Little Red Theatre
- Human Paragraph
- Grammar Exercises
- Flocabulary: The Thesis
- Whole Group Lessons
 - Plot
 - Character Traits
 - Google Docs & Classroom
 - Paragraph Format
 - Topic Sentence
 - Claim (Answer Sentence)
 - Using Example
 - Text Citations
 - Introductory & Concluding Paragraphs

Interdisciplinary Connections

• iPad Case Product Review (Science)

Technology Integration

- Students will use the suite of Google Apps (GSuite) during this unit. They collaboratively write in Google Docs, view teacher presentations in Google Slides and use Google Classroom for resources and assignments.
- The Mind Map project can be done using a variety of apps on the Chromebooks (those

	 include: MindMeister, Lucidpress, and MindMup. The reading and writing extensions and Google docs tools that allow for students to highlight and use speech to text will also be explored Websites and subscriptions used also include: IXL, Newsela, Readworks, Learning Ally and teacher created sites with all unit materials Pre-recorded readings will be posted to Google Classroom and teacher website Review Apps and Games include: Quizlet, Socrative, Kahoot, and PearDeck
Gl	 obal Perspectives "Zelda"-Australia Landfill Harmonic- Paraguay Articles from Newsela provide a global perspective and can be selected for reading comprehension practice and ties to overall theme.
Texts & Resources.	

Texts & Resources:

Wonder by RJ Palacio

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

<u>Belly Up</u> by Stuart Gibbs

Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper

A Long Way From Chicago by Richard Peck

Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos

"Zelda" by Emily Rodda in Who's Who anthology Text of "Zelda"

"Eleven" by Sandra Cisneros in Who's Who anthology Text of "Eleven"

"Flowers and Freckle Cream" by Elizabeth Ellis "Flowers and Freckle Cream" on pg. 430

"Seventh Grade" by Gary Soto <u>"Seventh Grade"</u>

"Jimmy Jet and His TV Set" by Shel Silverstein "Jimmy Jet and His TV Set"

"The Whatifs" by Shel Silverstein "The Whatifs"

"The Marble Champ" by Gary Soto "The Marble Champ"

The Landfill Harmonic (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sJxxdQox7n0)

Newsela (<u>www.newsela.com</u>)

Alternate Strategies (Accom. / Mod.)

- Audio versions of "Eleven" and "Zelda" https://vimeo.com/9245804
- Speech to text (Co-Writer)
- Text to speech (Snap & Read)

- Graphic organizers for writing and mind map
- modification to assignments (length)

Learn Zillion: How Evidence Supports a Reason

Learn Zillion: Identify Relevant Evidence

pports for English	i Language Lea	arners:		Accommodations	Interventions	Modifications
Sensory Supports	Graphic Supports	Interactive Supports		Allow for verbal responses	Multi-sensory techniques	Modified tasks/ expectations
ieal-life objects (realia) Aanipulatives řictures & photographs Iustrations, diagrams, & drawings	Charts Graphic organizers Tables Graphs	In pairs or partners In triads or small groups In a whole group Using cooperative group		Repeat/confirm directions	Increase task structure (e.g., directions, checks for understanding, feedback)	Differentiated materials
Magazines & newspapers Physical activities Videos & films Broadcasts Models & figures	Timelines Number lines	structures With the Internet (websites) or software programs In the home language With mentors		Permit response provided via computer or electronic device	Increase opportunities to engage in active academic responding (e.g., writing, reading aloud, answering questions in class)	Individualized assessmen tools based on student need
		from <u>https://v</u>	wida.wisc.edu	Audio Books	Utilize prereading strategies and activities: previews, anticipatory guides, and semantic mapping	Modified assessment grading

Unit 1 Grade 6 Putting Our Heads Together - A Unit on Getting to Know Others (Character Analysis & Explanatory Writing)			
District/School Formative Assessment Plan	District/School Summative Assessment Plan		
 Reading Comprehension and Writing Pre-Assessment Based on short story, "I Used to Live Here Once" Literal and inferential based reading comprehension questions Respond to a topic related to the reading through an explanatory paragraph Writing assessed using the 6-point PARCC writing rubric Google Drive/Classroom/Docs to participate in teacher-student writing conferences as well as peer editing Teacher-student conferences throughout writing process 	 Summer Reading Essay Writing a 4-paragraph explanatory essay, following 5-step writing process Comparing the friendship qualities of two characters from two texts Using specific textual support of arguments Assessed using the 6-point PARCC writing rubric Mind Map 		

 Student-paced/self-guided essay editing guides, peer assistance as needed Optional student-selected review mini-lessons for essay writing Small group (assigned according to self-selected summer reading book) discussions to review reading 	 Creating a visual exploration of students' connections to characters within the literature Identifying character traits and supporting evidence Assessed using teacher-developed rubric Literary Term Test Landfill Harmonic Assessment Based on video, "The Landfill Harmonic" Applying literary terms to narrative Identifying character traits Providing specific support from the video to support answers 	
District/School Texts	District/School Supplementary Resources	
Wonder by RJ Palacio	The Landfill Harmonic	
<u>Pax</u> by Sara Pennypacker	(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sJxxdQox7n0)	
Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo	Flocabulary: Who, What, Why Where, When	
<u>Belly Up</u> by Stuart Gibbs	Learn Zillion: How Evidence Supports a Reason	
Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper	Learn Zillion: Identify Relevant Evidence	
A Long Way From Chicago by Richard Peck		
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos		
"Zelda" by Emily Rodda in <u>Who's Who</u> anthology <u>Text of "Zelda"</u> "Eleven" by Sandra Cisneros in <u>Who's Who</u> anthology <u>Text of "Eleven"</u> "Flowers and Freckle Cream" by Elizabeth Ellis <u>"Flowers and Freckle Cream" on pg. 430</u> "Seventh Grade" by Gary Soto <u>"Seventh Grade"</u> "Jimmy Jet and His TV Set" by Shel Silverstein <u>"Jimmy Jet and His TV Set"</u> "The Whatifs" by Shel Silverstein " <u>The Whatifs</u> " "The Marble Champ" by Gary Soto <u>"The Marble Champ"</u>		
"District/School Writing T		
analyze their findings using evidence from the texts in traits throughout an expository essay.	tify characters, and character the course of the novel. • Short Answer Reading Comprehension Questions • Practice Paragraphs	
Instructional Best Practices and	Exemplars	
 Activity lists are used for individual and collaborative group activities. Variety of teaching methods are utilized, including benchmark lessons, mini-lessons, a 	nd one-on-one writing conferences	

Unit 2 A Bystander's Tale- An Interdisciplinary Unit on Multiple Perspectives During the Civil Rights Movement (Point of View & Narrative Writing)

Anchor Standards

NJSLSA.R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

NJSLSA.R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

NJSLSA.R4 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.

NJSLSA.R5 Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

NJSLSA.R6 Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

NJSLSA.W1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. NJSLSA.W2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

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

NJSLSA.W6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

NJSLSA.W7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects, utilizing an inquiry-based research process, based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

NJSLSA.W8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.

NJSLSA.W10 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.

NJSLSA.SL1 Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

NJSLSA.SL2 Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

Big Ideas: Course Objectives / Content Statement(s)

- Closely read and interpret text by examining point of view
- Gain an understanding of a period in time through a variety of sources
- Craft historical narrative with first person point of view

Essential Questions	Enduring Understandings

What provocative questions will foster inquiry, understanding, and transfer of learning?	What will students understand about the big ideas? Students will understand that
 How and why do people give back to the community? How does perspective influence the way a story is told and understood? How will readers gather information from print and digital sources, including art? How will we organize information we take from texts? How will writers develop intriguing, authentic and meaningful narratives? 	 Perspective influences the way a story is told and understood Texts and other media sources can be interpreted through close reading Text structures and content determines the way readers organize and hold onto information Narratives are written by including conflict, character development, setting and tight plot lines that share a theme Good writers use narratives techniques such as dialogue, pacing, description and sensory language to build a story Unknown words may be defined based on context
Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators) Students will:	Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section)
 NJSLSELA.RL.6.1. Cite textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. NJSLSELA.RL.6.2. Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments. NJSLSELA.RL.6.3. Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution. 	 Instructional Focus: Define elements of historical narrative Identify elements of first person narratives by analyzing sample narratives Analyze literature for theme and plot Employ close reading skills Interpret various mediums including videos, photos, paintings and ekphrastic art with close reading skills Extract and synthesize information from text by selecting appropriate notetaking formats based on text structure Paraphrase or directly quote information from texts Write a first person historical fiction narrative which includes conflict, character development, setting and tight plot that shares a theme Use narrative techniques such as dialogue, pacing and description (sensory language) Integrate relevant facts, definitions and concrete details into narrative writing to build context Link meaning to unknown words by using context clues (definition, synonym, antonym, inference, example, description)
NJSLSELA.RL.6.4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.	 Write with domain specific vocabulary Use technology to gather resources, develop, edit and publish historical narrative Sample Assessments: In-Class Essay- "Discoveries" Evidence of learning from 3 Civil Rights Exploration activities

NJSLSELA.RL.6.5. Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot.

NJSLSELA.RL6.9. Compare, contrast and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) one author's presentation of events with that of another (e.g., a memoir written by and a biography on the same person).

NJSLSELA.RI.6.1. Cite textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.2. Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.7. Integrate information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue.

NJSLSELA.W.6.1. Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. (A-E)

NJSLSELA.W.6.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content. (A-F)

- Hands Narrative
 - Based on photo set of different hands
 - Crafting a narrative using several elements of a narrative
 - Self/Peer assessed
- Vocabulary Quiz (civil rights vocabulary and narrative vocabulary)
- Civil Rights Research
- Historical Narrative
 - Historical narrative written from the perspective of a bystander during the Civil Rights Movement
 - Includes elements of an historical narrative such as, accurate details about time period, and Martin Luther King Jr., first person perspective, full character development, meaningful dialogue, setting description, limited plot, and emotional theme
 - Assessed using teacher-developed rubric

Instructional Strategies:

- Discoveries- Learning Centers
 - Vietnam 5 Facts
 - Close reading of "Discoveries My Name Is San Ho" and first person narratives "Coming to America"
 - iBrainstorm Venn Diagram comparing texts
 - Paired/grouped discussion questions regarding story's theme and plot
 - Using context clues
- Deconstructing a Narrative
- Flocabulary: Point of View
- Narrative videos on website with questions (Chasing a Hummingbird & Elements of a Narrative)
- Narrative vocabulary flashcards
- Analysis of PARCC style writing prompts
- BML Close Reading
- Flocabulary: Read Between the Lines
- Multimedia activity showing theme through narration using resources listed below
- Character PASTA figures to develop as planning tool
- Plot mountain planning tool
- Flocabulary: Show It, Don't Tell It
- BMLs on Narrative
 - Baby Steps
 - Thoughtshots
 - Setting (Sensory Webs)

NJSLSELA.W.6.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences. (A-E)

NJSLSELA.W.6.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, voice and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

NJSLSELA.W.6.5. With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.

NJSLSELA.W.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of three pages in a single sitting.

NJSLSELA.W.6.7. Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.

NJSLSELA.W.6.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

Apply *grade 6* Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres [e.g., stories and poems; historical novels and fantasy stories] in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics").

Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g.,

"Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a

- Meaningful Dialogue
- Incorporating historical facts
- BML on Notetaking
- Writing Workshop (brainstorm, experiment with points of view, create plot mountain, study exemplars, self-edit, peer-edit, editing stations, conferences)
- Civil Rights Multimedia Interdisciplinary Exploration
- One a day context clue practice
- Grammar Activities

Interdisciplinary Connections

• Civil Rights Multimedia Interdisciplinary Exploration (with Social Studies)

Technology Integration

- Students will use the suite of Google Apps during this unit. They collaboratively write in Google Docs, view teacher presentations in Google Slides and use Google Classroom for resources and assignments.
- The Mind Map project has been completed using iBrainstorm but can be done using a variety of apps on the Chromebooks (those include: MindMeister, Lucidpress, and MindMup.
- The reading and writing extensions and Google docs tools that allow for students to highlight and use speech to text will also be explored
- Websites and subscriptions used also include: IXL, Newsela, Readworks, Learning Ally and teacher created sites with all unit materials
- Pre-recorded readings will be posted to Google Classroom and teacher website
- Review Apps and Games include: Quizlet, Socrative, Kahoot, and PearDeck

Global Perspectives

- "Coming to America"- Personal narratives of Italian and Lithuanian immigrants
- "Discoveries" Learning Centers Research information about life in Vietnam during the war
- Civil Rights Multimedia Interdisciplinary Exploration- Learning about multiple perspectives regarding race relations

text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not").

NJSLSELA.SL.6.1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 6 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. (A-D)

NJSLSELA.SL.6.2. Interpret information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how it contributes to a topic, text, or issue under study.

NJSLSELA.SL.6.3. Deconstruct a speaker's argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.

NJSLSELA.L.6.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. (A-B)

NJSLSELA.L.6.4. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. (A & C)

NJSLSELA.L.6.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

Career-Ready Practices CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.

CRP2 : Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP3 : Attend to personal health and financial well-being.	
CRP4 : Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.	
CRP5 : Consider the environmental, social and economic	
impacts of decisions.	
CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation.	
CRP7: Employ valid and reliable research strategies.	
CRP8 : Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems	
and persevere in solving them.	
CRP9: Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective	
management.	
CRP10: Plan education and career paths aligned to personal	
goals.	
CRP11 :. Use technology to enhance productivity.	
CRP12: Work productively in teams while using cultural	
global competence.	

Texts and Resources

"Discoveries, My Name is San Ho" by Jayne Pettit - Also in <u>Who's Who</u> Coming to America by Emsden, Katherine, ed. *Coming to America: A New Life in a New Land*. N.P.: Discovery Enterprises, 1993. Print. <u>Freedom on the Menu</u> by Carol Boston Weatherford as mentor

A Bystander's Tale Google Site:

https://sites.google.com/a/summit.k12.nj.us/civilrights/language-arts-activities

Civil Rights Resources:

- <u>"Letter From Birmingham City Jail"</u>
- <u>March on Selma</u>
- March on Washington Video 1
- March on Washington Video 2
- <u>Montgomery Bus Boycott</u>
- <u>"The Little Girl from Little Rock"</u> (Poem)
- Little Rock 9 forgive their tormentors, Little Rock 9 Video: <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oodolEmUg2g</u>
- Little Rock Nine Forgiveness Video

http://www.oprah.com/own-tv-guide-magazines-top-25-best-oprah-show-moments/Moment-20-Members-of-the-Little-Rock-Nine-Forgive-Video

Newsela- Camden Step Team <u>6 Steps to Writing a Narrative</u> <u>"Chasing a Hummingbird"</u>

"The Scribe" by Kristen Hunter - Also in <u>Who's Who</u> *Tombstone* a painting by Jacob Lawrence <u>Tombstone</u> "Through My Eyes" by Ruby Bridges "The Story of Ruby Bridges"

Close Reading Modifications/Accommodations https://www.teachingchannel.org/videos/student-annotated-reading-strategy

Alternate Strategies (Accom. / Mod.)

- Limiting essay requirements, allow students to copy a model Model Intros & Conclusions for Summer Reading
- Text to speech (Snap & Read)
- Speech to text (Co-Writer)
- Limited choice of scenarios/events (i.e., Children's March and Bus Boycott)

pports for Englis	h Language Lea	arners:	Accommodations	Interventions	Modifications
Sensory Supports	Graphic Supports	Interactive Supports	Allow for verbal responses	Multi-sensory techniques	Modified tasks/ expectations
Real-life objects (realia) Manipulatives Pictures & photographs Illustrations, diagrams, & drawings	Charts Graphic organizers Tables Graphs	In pairs or partners In triads or small groups In a whole group Using cooperative group	Repeat/confirm directions	Increase task structure (e.g., directions, checks for understanding, feedback)	Differentiated materials
Magazines & newspapers Physical activities Videos & films Broadcasts Models & figures	Timelines Number lines	structures With the Internet (websites) or software programs In the home language With mentors	Permit response provided via computer or electronic device	Increase opportunities to engage in active academic responding (e.g., writing, reading aloud, answering questions in class)	Individualized assessment tools based on student need
		from <u>https://wida</u>	wisc.edu Audio Books	Utilize prereading strategies and activities: previews, anticipatory guides, and semantic mapping	Modified assessment grading

A Bystander's Tale- An Interdisciplin (P	Unit 2 Grade 6 ary Unit on Multiple Persp Point of View & Narrative W	0 0	s Movement	
District/School Formative Assessment Plan		District/School Summative Ass	sessment Plan	
 Google Drive/Classroom/Docs to participate in teacher-student writing conferences as well as peer editing Civil Rights research/evidence of learning from Civil Rights Exploration Vocabulary Quiz (civil rights vocabulary and narrative vocabulary) Teacher-student conference throughout narrative writing process (at least two (2) conferences per student) Student-paced/self-guided essay editing guides, peer assistance as needed 		 Historical Narrative Assessed using teacher-developed rubric Historical narrative written from the perspective of a bystander during the Civil Rights Movement Includes elements of a historical narrative such as, accurate details about time period, and Martin Luther King Jr., first person perspective, full character development, meaningful dialogue, settin description, limited plot, and emotional theme 		
District/School Texts		District/School Supplementary Resources		
 "Discoveries, My Name is San Ho" by Jayne Pettit - in <u>Who's Who</u> Coming to America by Emsden, Katherine, ed. <i>Coming to America: A New Life in a New Land.</i> N.P.: Discovery Enterprises, 1993. Print. Freedom on the Menu by Carol Boston Weatherford as mentor <u>"The Scribe"</u> by Kristen Hunter - in <u>Who's Who</u> "Through My Eyes" by Ruby Bridges 		Civil Rights Resources: <u>"Letter From Birming</u> <u>March on Selma</u> <u>March on Washington</u> <u>March on Washington</u> <u>Montgomery Bus Boy</u> <u>"The Little Girl from 1</u>	<u>video 1</u> <u>video 2</u> <u>cott</u>	
	"District/School Writing Ta	nsks		
 Primary Focus Literary: Students will apply first person point of view to their writing while incorporating historical facts. 	 Secondary Focus Students will write to perspective of a bysis 	the narrative from the stander during the Civil Rights neorporating historical	 Routine Writing Short Answer Reading Response Questions Quick Writes Journal Writing 	
Inst	ructional Best Practices and I	Exemplars		
 Language Arts and Social Studies classes work together to Writer's workshop used to draft the narrative Activity lists are used for individual and collaborative gro 		connections.		

Unit 3 Knocking Our Heads Together- A Unit on New Beginnings (Conflict, Theme & Literary Analysis)

Anchor Standards

NJSLSA. R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

NJSLSA. R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

NJSLSA.R5 Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

NJSLSA. R6 Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

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

NJSLSA.W6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

NJSLSA.W7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects, utilizing an inquiry-based research process, based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

NJSLSA.W8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.

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

NJSLSA.W10 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.

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

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

NJSLSA L4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.

Big Ideas:

- Conflict and theme are connected in literature
- Analyze two pieces of literature in formal writing
- Arguments are effectively supported by well chosen citations

Essential Questions	Enduring Understandings
What provocative questions will foster inquiry, understanding,	What will students understand about the big ideas?
	Students will understand that

 and transfer of learning? How do readers identify themes in texts? What are the connections between the themes of remorse, forgiveness and new beginnings? How does the presence of multiple perspectives shape the reader's experience? How do writers effectively compare and contrast two pieces of literature in an essay? How do writers effectively use text to support their arguments? How do readers use different types of context clues to uncover unknown words meaning? 	 Themes may be found by examining characters and conflict Similar themes can be developed differently by authors Perspective influences readers perception of storyline and emotional response Comparing and contrasting texts can deepen a reader's understanding of literature Writers support claims by listing specific and relevant details from the text. Unknown words may be defined based on context
Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators) Students will:	Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section)
NJSLSELA.RL 6.1 Cite textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	 Instructional Focus: Context Clues Exploring connection between conflict and theme in literature Explore characters' different perspective and their impact on the text Journal as a way to interact literature Acquire domain specific vocabulary
NJSLSELA.RL.6.2. Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.	 Close Reading of nonfiction and to determine central idea and to connect thematically to literature Compare and contrast short stories, novellas, and nonfiction texts Explore themes of remorse and forgiveness Identify the elements and structure of literary analysis Follow the writing process to compose a literary analysis essay
NJSLSELA.RL.6.3. Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution. NJSLSELA.RL.6.5. Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the	 Sample Assessments: Context Clues Quiz Defining unknown words using context Identifying five types of context clues Book Group Discussions (with discussion rubric) Journal Entries Reflecting on themes in texts

overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.6. Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.1. Cite textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.2. Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.5 Analyze how a particular sentence, paragraph, chapter or section fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the ideas

NJSLSELA.RI 6.6 Determine the author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in a text

NJSLSELA.RI 6.8 Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguish claims that are supported by reason and evidence from claims that are not

NJSLSELA.W.6.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, voice and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and

- Connecting to characters
- Writing weekly for ten minutes to develop fluency
- Literary Analysis
 - 4-paragraph literary analysis, following 5-step writing process
 - Comparing texts using a literary term such as theme
 - Focusing on essay structure, transitions, and text citations
 - Assessed using 6-point PARCC style rubric
- "All Summer In A Day" reading comprehension questions
- "All Summer In A Day" quiz

Instructional Strategies:

- Character Sketches (jigsaw to share)
- Read/Listen to "All Summer In a Day"
- Aurasma Scavenger Hunt
- Newsela Close Reading
- Remorse and Forgiveness Attribute Chart
- <u>Conflict & Theme BML</u>
- Theme Skits
- What Comes Next Skit
- T-Chart for Character Comparison (how characters change)
- BML on literary analysis
- BML on text citations
- Anatomy of a Bully (The Julian body activity)
- I have...Who has...Lit Term Practice
- Book Groups
- Paragraph Structure Daily Do Now Review
- Writer's Workshop for Literary Analysis
- Grammar Activities

Interdisciplinary Connections

• Discussion of Bullying- Advisory

Technology Integration

- Students will use the suite of Google Apps during this unit. They collaboratively write in Google Docs, view teacher presentations in Google Slides and use Google Classroom for resources and assignments.
- The Mind Map project has been completed using iBrainstorm but can be done using a variety of apps on the Chromebooks (those include: MindMeister, Lucidpress, and MindMup.
- The reading and writing extensions and Google docs tools that allow for students to highlight and

audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

NJSLSELA.W.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of three pages in a single sitting.

NJSLSELA.W.6.7. Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.

NJSLSELA.W.6.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres [e.g., stories and poems; historical novels and fantasy stories] in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics").

Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not").

NJSLSELA.W 6.10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, metacognition/self corrections, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purpose and audiences.

NJSLSELA.L 6.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage

use speech to text will also be explored

- Websites and subscriptions used also include: IXL, Newsela, Readworks, Learning Ally and teacher created sites with all unit materials
- Pre-recorded readings will be posted to Google Classroom and teacher website
- Review Apps and Games include: Quizlet, Socrative, Kahoot, and PearDeck

Global Perspectives

• Newsela Articles, European Life during WWII

when writing or speaking

NJSLSELA.L.6.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. A-B

NJSLSELA.L.6.4. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

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problems and persevere in solving them. **CRP9**: Model integrity, ethical leadership and

effective management.

CRP10: Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.

CRP11:. Use technology to enhance productivity. **CRP12**: Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.

Texts & Resources

"The Julian Chapter: A Wonder Story" by R.J. Palacio

"All Summer in a Day" by Ray Bradbury Rube Goldberg Video - grammar Newsela Articles

Talking about a chocolate tub, and escaping the Nazis in World War II

https://newsela.com/articles/holocaust-escape/id/732/

The Art of War: How one German artist saved hundreds during WWII

https://newsela.com/articles/germany-forger/id/5163/

Recipes for life: Baker still makes strudels that saved him from the Nazis

https://newsela.com/articles/baker-worldwarii/id/8862/

upports for English	n Language Lea	arners:		Accommodations	Interventions	Modifications
Sensory Supports Real-life objects (realia)	Graphic Supports	Interactive Supports In pairs or partners		Allow for verbal responses	Multi-sensory techniques	Modified tasks/ expectations
Manipulatives Pictures & photographs Illustrations, diagrams, & drawings	Graphic organizers Tables Graphs	In triads or small groups In a whole group Using cooperative group		Repeat/confirm directions	Increase task structure (e.g., directions, checks for understanding, feedback)	Differentiated materials
Magazines & newspapers Physical activities Videos & films Broadcasts Models & figures	Timelines Number lines	structures With the Internet (websites) or software programs In the home language With mentors		Permit response provided via computer or electronic device	Increase opportunities to engage in active academic responding (e.g., writing, reading aloud, answering questions in class)	Individualized assessmen tools based on student need
		from <u>https:/</u>	<u>wida.wisc.edu</u>	Audio Books	Utilize prereading strategies and activities: previews, anticipatory guides, and semantic mapping	Modified assessment grading

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 Context Clues Quiz Book Group Discussions (with discussion rubric) Journal Entries Reflecting on themes in texts Connecting to characters Reading comprehension questions- short constructed responses Reading comprehension quizzes Screencasts detailing writing process 	S	 writing proces Comparing te Focusing on e citations 	iterary analysis, following 5-step ss xts using a literary term such as theme essay structure, transitions, and text g 6-point PARCC style rubric
District/School Texts		District/School Supplementary	Resources
 <u>The Julian Chapter: A Wonder Story</u> by R.J. Palacio "All Summer in a Day" by Ray Bradbury Talking about a chocolate tub, and escaping the Nazis in World <u>https://newsela.com/articles/holocaust-escape/id/732/</u> The Art of War: How one German artist saved hundreds during <u>https://newsela.com/articles/germany-forger/id/5163/</u> Recipes for life: Baker still makes strudels that saved him from t <u>https://newsela.com/articles/baker-worldwarii/id/8862/</u> 	g WWI	Districts or schools choose supp considered "texts."	lementary resources that are not
"Dis	strict/School Writing Tasl	ks	
Primary Focus Second • Literary Analysis: Structured Literary Essay- Comparing texts using a literary term such as theme while focusing on essay structure, transitions, and text citations Second		s- analyzing characters change as it relates to the	 Routine Writing Journal Writing Post-its or annotations Short Constructed Responses
Instruction	nal Best Practices and Ex	emplars	
 Partner, small group and whole group literature discussions Whole group benchmark lessons Conferences during writing workshop Teacher and student created models of writing and process-print Activity lists are used for collaborative group activities 	nt, hyperdoc and screenca	ast tutorials	

Unit 4A How Does the Author Do It? - A Study on Author's Craft (Characterization, Inference, Figures of Speech) Unit 4B How Does the Author Do It? - Study on Author's Craft (Close Reading of Informational Texts, Author's Intent, RST)

Anchor Standards

NJSLSA. R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

NJSLSA. R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

NJSLSA. R3 Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

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

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

NJSLSA.W6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

NJSLSA. W8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.

Essential Questions	Enduring Understandings
What provocative questions will foster inquiry, understanding, and transfer of learning?	What will students understand about the big ideas? Students will understand that
 How do readers look at the author's use of characterization to help understand characters? How will readers make inferences to increase comprehension of text? How do readers use symbolism and figures of speech to convey ideas? How do readers closely read to determine the author's intent? How do writers effectively use text to support their arguments? 	 Authors use different elements to create believable, dynamic characters Inferences are based on textual evidence Authors use symbolism and figures of speech to represent big ideas and elicit a response from their reader. Readers interpret author's intent by noticing information included and omitted and word choice. Writers generate thesis statements by noticing and interpreting common threads and ideas across texts. A research synthesis response is written providing claim, argument, textual support and citations
Areas of Focus: Proficiencies	Examples, Outcomes, Assessments

(Cumulative Progress Indicators)

Students will: (Enter NJCCCS or Common Core CPI's here)

NJSLSELA.RI.6.1

Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.2

Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.3

Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).

NJSLSELA.RI.6.6

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.7

Integrate information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.1

Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.2

Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.3

Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or

(see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section)

Instructional Focus:

Sample Assessments:

- "Charles" Figures of Speech Poem
- Characterization and Figures of Speech Quiz
- Reading Check Responses
- Practice RST
- Model RST (student generated second body paragraph)
- Final RST

Instructional Strategies:

- Character Carousel
- BML- Figures of Speech (Blackbird)
- Flocabulary "Wordplay"
- Flocabulary: Similes & Metaphors
- Rime of the Mariner Figures of Speech Practice
- The Wind's Visit Figures of Speech Practice (Learnzillion)
- BML- Methods of Characterization (Minnie Miller Characterization Chart)
- BML- Static and Dynamic Characters (independent note taking)
- Read "Charles"
 - Reading Comprehension Questions
 - Characterization Chart
- "January" Figures of Speech Practice
- Read "The All American Slurp"
 - Reading Comprehension Questions
 - Literary Term Poster
- Reading Cloze Notes & Discussion Questions
- Moving Debates/Roll Arounds
- (Seedfolks) Comparison of Play to Novel
- Newsela Pro & Con Analysis
- Notetaking on Sources
- Generate big ideas based on common threads
- RST Foldable/Notes
 - BML- Prompt Analysis
 - \circ $\,$ BML- Thesis Writing $\,$
 - BML- Body Paragraphs
- RST Planning Sheet

change as the plot moves toward a resolution.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.6

Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.

NJSLSELA.W.6.1

Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

NJSLSELA.W.6.8

Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources; assess the credibility of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and providing basic bibliographic information for sources.

NJSLSELA.W.6.4

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.)

NJSLSELA.W.6.5

With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 6 here.)

NJSLSELA.L.6.5.B

Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words.

NJSLSELA.L.6.5.C

Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., *stingy, scrimping, economical, unwasteful, thrifty*).

Interdisciplinary Connections:

• Rime of the Ancient Mariner Figure of Speech Practice (connection to science)

Technology Integration:

- Digital Sources
- Flocabulary

Global Perspectives:

- Newsela
- (Seedfolks) Class Community Discussion

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CRP9 : Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management.	
CRP10 : Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.	
CRP11 :. Use technology to enhance productivity.	
CRP12 : Work productively in teams while using cultural	
global competence.	
Text Resources :	
Seedfolks by Paul Fleischman	
"Charles" by Shirley Jackson "The All American Slurp" by Lensey Namioka	
Various Newsela Articles	
Miscellaneous Sources for RST	

Instructional Strategies:	Differentiation Strategies:			
Supports for English Language Learners:	Accommodations	Interventions	Modifications	
	Allow for verbal responses	Multi-sensory techniques	Modified tasks/ expectations	
	Repeat/confirm directions	Increase task structure (e.g., directions, checks for understanding, feedback)	Differentiated materials	
	Permit response provided	Increase opportunities to	Individualized assessment	

Sensory Supports	Graphic Supports	Interactive Supports	via computer or electron device	ic engage in active academic responding (e.g., writing,	tools based on student need
Real-life objects (realia) Manipulatives	Charts Graphic organizers	In pairs or partners In triads or small groups		reading aloud, answering questions in class)	
Pictures & photographs Illustrations, diagrams, & drawings Magazines & newspapers Physical activities Videos & films	Tables Graphs Timelines Number lines	In a whole group Using cooperative group structures With the Internet (websites) or software programs In the home language	Audio Books	Utilize prereading strategies and activities: previews, anticipatory guides, and semantic mapping	Modified assessment grading
Broadcasts Models & figures		With mentors	∕wida.wisc.edu		

How Does t <i>Unit 4A</i> (Characterization, Inference, Figures of	Unit 4 Grade 6 the Author Do It? - A Study f Speech) <i>Unit 4B</i> (Close Ro		, Author's Intent, RST)
District/School Formative Assessment Plan		District/School Summative Ass	essment Plan
 Characterization and Figures of Speech Quiz Reading Check Responses Practice RST Model RST (student generated second body paragra 	.ph)	• Final RST Essay	
District/School Texts	* <i>'</i>	District/School Supplementary	Resources
 <i>Seedfolks</i> by Paul Fleischman "Charles" by Shirley Jackson "The All American Slurp" by Lensey Namioka Various Newsela Articles 		Miscellaneous Sources for RST ("Text" set dependent on selected topic)	
	"District/School Writing T	asks	
 Primary Focus Research Synthesis Task: Structured Research Essay- Integrates research from various topics to support argument while focusing on essay structure, transitions, and text citations 	 Secondary Focus Nonfiction reading skills- extracting key information, looking at author's stance, analyzing how authors craft their points, looking for common themes among nonfiction texts 		 Routine Writing Post-its or annotations Short Constructed Responses
Inst	tructional Best Practices and I	Exemplars	
 Partner, small group and whole group literature discussion Whole group benchmark lessons Conferences during writing workshop Teacher and student created models of writing and proce Activity lists are used for collaborative group activities 		cast tutorials	

Unit 5

Literary Appreciation- Conversations about Elements of Fictions

	Anchor Standards for Writing
evidence. Production and Distribution of Writing NJSLSA.W4. Produce clear and coherent writi NJSLSA.W5. Develop and strengthen writing NJSLSA.W6. Use technology, including the In Range of Writing NJSLSA.W10. Write routinely over extended day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and Research to Build and Present Knowledge (ONJSLSA.W7. Conduct short as well as more so demonstrating understanding of the subject undo NJSLSA.W8. Gather relevant information from the information while avoiding plagiarism.	Choose at least one from W7, W8 or 9A or B ustained research process, based on focused questions,
ssential Questions	Enduring Understandings
That provocative questions will foster inquiry,	What will students understand about the big ideas?
nderstanding, and transfer of learning?	Students will understand that
 How do plot events relate to one another in the story? How is symbolism used in literature? How do authors include greater meaning in their stories? How do authors hint at what is to come later in the story? 	 Authors use cause and effect relationships to build plotlines. Symbolism allows authors to share abstract, meaningful ideas through concrete images. Authors use foreshadowing to help develop intrigue and suspense Theme can be conveyed through the characters' conflicts and changes.
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Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section)

Students will:

NJSLSELA.RI.6.1

Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.2

Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.3

Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).

NJSLSELA.RI.6.6

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.

NJSLSELA.RI.6.7

Integrate information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.1

Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

NJSLSELA..RL.6.2

Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.3

Instructional Focus:

Sample Assessments: (Could include...)

- Journal Writing
- Cause & Effect Quiz
- Literary Elements Quiz
- <u>Thinglink Project</u>
- Debate

Instructional Strategies:

- Book clubs or literature circles
- Cloze Notes
- Double Entry Journaling
- Book Clubs or Literature Circles
- Novel Vocabulary Blocks
- Character Analysis Blog
- Cause & Effect (BML)
- Cause & Effect Practice (with Newsela articles)
- Flocabulary: Cause & Effect
- Symbolism (BML- flipped classroom)
- My Life in Symbols
- Pinterest or Padlet Symbolism Board
- Foreshadowing Frozen Activity
- The Land Lady Foreshadowing Practice
- Read "Thank You Ma'am" or "Those Shoes"
- Cause & Effect Poster connected to short story
- Character or Theme Playlist
- Analyzing song lyrics for theme
- Comparing theme in stories and lyrics

Interdisciplinary Connections:

• Should people be able to live forever? Journal/Newsela article connecting to ecosystems and the impact of overpopulation

Technology Integration:

- Digital Sources
- Thinglink

Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.4

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone

NJSLSELARL.6.6

Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.

NJSLSELA.SL.6.5

Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, images, music, sound) and visual displays in presentations to clarify information.

NJSLSELA.W.6.4

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.)

NJSLSELA.W.6.5

With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 6 here.)

Career-Ready Practices

CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. **CRP2**: Apply appropriate academic and technical

Global Perspectives:

- Exploring lifespans in other countries
- Exploring importance of water in other countries
- Connecting to cultures of characters/authors (when applicable)

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well-being.
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"Thank You Ma'am" by Langhston Hughes
"Those Shoes" by Maribeth Boelts
Newsela Articles
Potential Titles
The War the Saved my Life
Raymie Nightingale
The Paperboy
The Paperboy Dreamer
The Paperboy

Unit 5 - Grade 6		
Literary Appreciation- Conversations about Elements of Fictions		
District/School Formative Assessment Plan	District/School Summative Assessment Plan	
Book clubs or literature circles	Cause & Effect Quiz	

Cloze Notes		• Literary Elements Qui	7
Double Entry Journaling		Thinglink Project	
 Book Clubs or Literature Circles 			
 Novel Vocabulary Blocks 			
Character Analysis Blog			
 Cause & Effect (BML) 			
 Cause & Effect Practice (with Newsela articles) 			
 Symbolism (BML- flipped classroom) 			
 My Life in Symbols 			
Pinterest or Padlet Symbolism Board			
 Foreshadowing Frozen Activity 			
 The Land Lady Foreshadowing Practice 			
 Read "Thank You Ma'am" or "Those Shoes" 			
 Cause & Effect Poster connected to short story 			
 Character or Theme Playlist 			
 Analyzing song lyrics for theme 			
 Comparing theme in stories and lyrics 			
• Journal Writing			
• Debate			
District/School Texts		District/School Supplementary	Resources
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbit		• Flocabulary: Cause &	
"Thank You Ma'am" by Langhston Hughes		Thinglink	
"Those Shoes" by Maribeth Boelts	• Newsela		
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- Activity lists are used for collaborative group activities.
- Interdisciplinary connections made when possible

Unit 6

Poetry

Anchor Standards

NJSLSA. R1 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.

NJSLSA. R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

NJSLSA. R4 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.

NJSLSA. R.5 Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

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

NJSLSA W.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.

NJSLSA SL.1 Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

NJSLSA. SL.2 Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

NJSLSA. SL.4 Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

 Essential Questions What provocative questions will foster inquiry, understanding, and transfer of learning? How does poetry differ from prose? How does the poet elicit an emotional response from the reader? How do poets enhance the performance of their poems? 	 Enduring Understandings What will students understand about the big ideas? Students will understand that Poetry differs from prose in the way that it is organized Poets use line length, word choice and concentrated language to elicit an emotional response from their reader. Poets use rhyme to enhance the performance of their poem. Poets read with emphasis and expression when performing their poems as a way help convey its
Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators) Students will: NJSLSELA.RI.6.2	 Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see <u>note</u> below about the content of this section) Instructional Focus: Compare and contrast prose and poetry

Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.6.3

Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).

NJSLSELA.RI.6.6

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.

NJSLSELA.RL.6.4

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone

NJSLSELA.RL.6.6

Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.

NJSLSELA.W.6.1

Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

NJSLSELA.SL.6.5

Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, images, music, sound) and visual displays in presentations to clarify information.

NJSLSELA.W.6.4

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

- Find the twists in poetry
- Interpet how mood is created in poetry
- Interpret how concentrated language is used in poetry
- Interpret how word choice enhances poems
- Understand rhyme and line length
- Construct a poem that includes basic conventions of poetry
- Read poetry with fluency and expression

Sample Assessments:

- Poem analysis
- Poems for Poetry Slam
- Performance of Slam Poem

Instructional Strategies:

- Definition of Poetry (BML)
 - Prose vs. Poetry
- Whopper Readings 1-3
- Fantasy/Twist (BML)
- Read and analyze "The Adventures of Isabel" and "The Dentist and the Crocodile"
- Mining for an Idea (poetry planning sheet)
- In-Class Planning, Writing, Conferencing, and Practice Presenting Poems
- View and analyze past slam winners
- View and analyze poetry slams/How to present (BML)
- Elements of Poetry Write Around
- Organizing Poetry (BML)
- Rhyme & Line Length (BML)
 - Learnzillion Daffodils
- Word Choice (BML)
- Haiku Analysis of Concentrated Language
- Flocabulary: What is Poetry?

Interdisciplinary Connections:

- Poems relating to social studies and science (Rome/Earthquakes)
- Translations of poems (World Languages)

Technology Integration:

• Flocabulary

Global Perspectives:

Career-Ready Practices	• Exploring poems from different countries and cultures
CRP1 : Act as a responsible and contributing citizen	 Exploring poets from different countries and cultures
and employee.	
CRP2 : Apply appropriate academic and technical	
skills.	
CRP3 : Attend to personal health and financial	
well-being.	
CRP4 : Communicate clearly and effectively and with	
reason.	
CRP5: Consider the environmental, social and	
economic impacts of decisions.	
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cultural global competence.	
Text Resources :	
"Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" by Robert F	rost
Airplane Poem by Unknown	
"Patient Little Snail" by Unknown	
"The Fog" by Carl Sandburg	
"Tugboat at Daybreak" by Lillian Morrison	
"Whopper" by	

"The Adventures of Isabel" by Ogden Nash "The Dentist and the Crocodile" by Roald Dahl

"Just So Stories" by Rudyard Kipling

	Grade 6 - Unit 6 Poetry		
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	"District/School Writing Ta	sks	
 Primary Focus Poem analysis - analyze and interpret poetry for mood, concentrated language, word choice, structure (rhyme and line length) Construct a poem that includes basic conventions of poetry 			 Routine Writing In-Class Planning & Writing, Conferencing Short Answer Reading Response Questions
	ructional Best Practices and E	xemplars	
 Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science classes work Writer's Workshop used to create poems Activity lists are used for collaborative group activities. 	together to make interdiscipli	nary connections.	

Instructional Strategies:	Differentiation Strategies:		
Supports for English Language Learners:	Accommodations	Interventions	Modifications
	Allow for verbal responses	Multi-sensory techniques	Modified tasks/ expectations
	Repeat/confirm directions	Increase task structure (e.g., directions, checks for understanding, feedback)	Differentiated materials
	Permit response provided via computer or electronic	Increase opportunities to engage in active academic	Individualized assessment tools based on student need

Sensory Supports	Graphic Supports	Interactive Supports	device	responding (e.g., writing, reading aloud, answering	
Real-life objects (realia)	Charts	In pairs or partners		questions in class)	
Manipulatives Pictures & photographs Illustrations, diagrams, & drawings Magazines & newspapers Physical activities Videos & films Broadcasts Models & figures	Graphic organizers Tables Graphs Timelines Number lines	In triads or small groups In a whole group Using cooperative group structures With the Internet (websites) or software programs In the home language With mentors	Audio Books	Utilize prereading strategies and activities: previews, anticipatory guides, and semantic mapping	Modified assessment grading
Broadcasts Models & figures			du		

NOTE re: Examples, Outcomes and Assessments

The following skills and themes should be reflected in the design of units and lessons for this course or content area.

21st Century Skills:

- **Critical Thinking and Problem Solving:** Using the Problem-Based Learning Approach, students will synthesize skills and knowledge to answer an authentic question that guides each unit.
- **Communication and Collaboration**: Students will participate in book clubs discussions, whole class socratic circles and debates synthesizing details from texts to develop and/or refine arguments. Students will be able to work together on problem-based tasks.
- Information Literacy: During the nonfiction units, students will be able to extract key information from texts along with identify bias and credibility.
- Media Literacy: Students will use multimedia sources as a way to gain information. Students will learn how to evaluate stance and bias in sources to assist them in approaching a source. Students will collaborate using form of technology such as the Google conferencing tool, blog postings, Padlet entries, collaboration on Google projects. Students will use tools as a way to share knowledge and skill including screencasts, Thinglinks, Google Slides, Google Draw, Google Docs, Google Sheets, etc.
- Life and Career Skills: Students will work together in collaborative groups. Using activity lists, students will work on self-scheduling to meet deadlines. Students will be asked to present ideas orally and in writing.

21st Century Themes (as applies to content area):

• **Civic Literacy & Health Literacy**: Students will evaluate the meaning of healthy and unhealthy peer and family relationships by analyzing the relationships of other characters. Students will be able to understand cause and effect relationships to help them make thoughtful choices that further their well-being. By studying characters, students will identify coping, problem solving and leadership skills modeled by characters in texts.

Curricular Addendum

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 CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP7: Employ valid and reliable research strategies. CRP8: Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them. CRP9: Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management. CRP10: Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals. CRP11:. Use technology to enhance productivity. CRP12: Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence. 	 Technology Integration Ongoing: Listen to books on CDs, Playaways, videos, or podcasts if available. Use document camera or overhead projector for shared reading of texts. Other: Use Microsoft Word, Inspiration, or SmartBoard Notebook software to write the words from their word sorts. Use available technology to create concept maps of unit learning.

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Pictures & photographs	Tables	In a whole group
Illustrations, diagrams, & drawings	Graphs	Using cooperative group
Magazines & newspapers	Timelines	structures
Physical activities	Number lines	With the Internet (websites) or
Videos & films	and a statement of the statement	software programs
Broadcasts		In the home language
Models & figures		With mentors

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Media Literacy Integration

• Use multiple forms of print media (including books, illustrations/photographs/artwork, video clips, commercials, podcasts, audiobooks, Playaways, newspapers, magazines) to practice reading and comprehension skills.

Global Perspectives

• The Global Learning Resource Library

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