Anchor Texts:	ELA Grade: 8	Unit 2 Focus: Case Study
	Module 2 - Working With	Duration – 3 weeks or 16 lessons
Harper Lee, To Kill a	Evidence: Taking a Stand	Essential Question(s):
Mockingbird	Duration: 8 weeks	• Is it worth taking a stand for
		yourself? For others?
		• Does it make sense for Atticus
		to take a stand?
		What do we know that Scout
		doesn't?
		How do film and text differ in
		impact on the audience?

Lesson	Standard/Long Term Target	I can statement	Ongoing Assessment	Anchor Charts & Protocols
1 Making	• I can cite text-based	• I can support my	• Structured	• Three
Inferences:	evidence that provides the	inferences about Chapters	notes from	Threes in a
Analyzing	strongest support for my	11 through 13 of To Kill a	Chapters 11–	Row
How Words	analysis of literary text.	Mockingbird with the	13 (from	protocol
and Actions	(RL.8.1)	strongest evidence from	previous two	• Taking a
Reveal	• I can analyze how specific	the text.	lessons'	Stand
Character in	dialogue or incidents in a	• I can analyze what other	homework)	
To Kill a	plot propel the action,	characters' dialogue about	• Three	
Mockingbird	reveal aspects of a	Atticus reveals about his	Threes in a	
(Chapters 11–	character, or provoke a	character.	Row Note-	
13)	decision. (RL.8.3)	• I can analyze how	catcher	
		Atticus's words and	• Atticus	
		actions reveal his	Note-catcher	
		character.		
2 Text to Film	• I can analyze how	• I can analyze how the	• Structured	 Taking a
Comparison:	difference in points of view	reader's perspective is	notes for	Stand
Taking a	between characters and	different from Scout's in	Chapters 14	
Stand at the	audience create effects in	Chapter 15 and creates an	and 15 (from	
Jailhouse	writing. (RL.8.6)	effect for the reader.	homework)	
(Chapters 14–	• I can analyze the extent to	• I can evaluate the	 Analyzing 	
15)	which a filmed or live	similarities and	Scout's and	
	production follows the text	differences between the	the Reader's	
	or script of the same	novel and the film version	Perspective	
	literary text. (RL.8.7)	of To Kill a Mockingbird.	Note-catcher	
	• I can evaluate the choices		• Text to	
	made by the director or		Film	
	actors in presenting an		Comparison	
	interpretation of a script.		Note-	
	(RL.8.7)		catcher)	

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3 Analyzing	• I can analyze the	• I can analyze how the	• Structured	• Chalk Talk
Themes: The	development of a theme or	themes of the Golden	notes for	protocol
Golden Rule	central idea throughout the	Rule and taking a stand	Chapters 16	
and Taking a	text (including its	are developed in To Kill a	and 17 (from	
Stand	relationship to the	Mockingbird.	homework)	
(Chapters 16-	characters, setting, and		 Analyzing 	
17)	plot). (RL.8.2)		Themes	
			Note-catcher	
			 Exit ticket 	
4 Mid-Unit 2	• I can objectively	• I can objectively	Structured	
Assessment:	summarize literary text.	summarize Chapter 18 in	notes for	
Text to Film	(RL.8.2)	To Kill a Mockingbird.	Chapter 18	
and	• I can analyze how	• I can analyze how the	(from	
Perspective	difference in points of view	reader's perspective is	homework)	
Comparison	between characters and	different from Scout's in	• Mid-Unit 2	
of To Kill a	audience create effects in	a key scene in Chapter 19	Assessment	
Mockingbird	writing. (RL.8.6)	and how this affects the	1 ISSUSSITION	
(Chapters 18	• I can analyze the extent to	reader.		
and one scene	which a filmed or live	• I can compare the		
from Chapter	production follows the text	similarities and		
19)	or script of the same	differences between a key		
17)	literary text. (RL.8.7)	scene in the novel and		
	• I can evaluate the choices	how that scene is		
	made by the director or	portrayed in the film.		
	actors in presenting an	• I can evaluate the		
	interpretation of a script.	choices the director or		
	(RL.8.7)	actors made in the film.		
5 Close	• I can cite text-based		Structured	• Fishbowl
	evidence that provides the	• I can use the strongest evidence from the text in	notes for	
Reading:	1			protocol
Fishbowl	strongest support for my	my close reading of a	Chapter 19	
Comparing	analysis of literary text.	scene in To Kill a	(from	
Atticus and	(RL.8.1)	Mockingbird.	homework)	
Mr. Gilmer	• I can analyze how specific	• I can analyze how	• Vocabulary	
(Chapters 17–	dialogue or incidents in a	Atticus's questions reveal	Squares	
19)	plot propel the action,	aspects of his character.	• Atticus	
	reveal aspects of a	• I can analyze the impact	Cross-	
	character, or provoke a	word choice has on	Examination	
	decision. (RL.8.3)	meaning and tone as	Note-catcher	
	• I can analyze the impact	Atticus and Mr. Gilmer	• Mr. Gilmer	
	of word choice on meaning	cross-examine witnesses.	Cross-	
	and tone (analogies or	• I can share my ideas and	Examination	
	allusions). (RL.8.4)	build on other's ideas	Note-	
	• I can express my own	during Fishbowl.	catcher`	
	ideas clearly during			
	discussions. (SL.8.1)			
	• I can build on other's			

	ideas during discussions. (SL.8.1)			
6 Analyzing Word Choice: Atticus's Closing Speech (Chapters 20- 21)	• I can determine the meaning of words and phrases in literary text (figurative, connotative, and technical meanings). (RL.8.4) • I can analyze the development of a theme or central idea throughout the text (including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot). (RL.8.2)	 I can understand the literal and figurative meaning of Atticus's language in his closing speech. I can understand the irony in Atticus's word choice in his closing speech. I can analyze how Atticus's closing speech relates to the themes of taking a stand and the Golden Rule. 	• Structured notes for Chapters 20 and 21 (from homework) • Atticus's Closing Speech Notecatcher	• Taking a Stand
7 Making Inferences: Analyzing Atticus (Chapters 22- 23)	• I can cite text-based evidence that provides the strongest support for my analysis of literary text. (RL.8.1) • I can analyze how specific dialogue or incidents in a plot propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision. (RL.8.3)	 I can support my inferences about Chapters 22 and 23 of To Kill a Mockingbird with the strongest evidence from the text. I can analyze what other characters' dialogue about Atticus reveals about his character. I can analyze how Atticus's words and actions reveal his character. 	• Structured notes for Chapters 22 and 23 (from homework) • Vocabulary Squares • Written Conversation Note-catcher • Chapter 23 Text-Dependent Questions Note-catcher	• Written Conversation protocol

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8 Four	• I can cite text-based	• I can analyze how	• Structured	• Four
Corners:	evidence that provides the	taking a stand is	notes for	Corners
Taking a	strongest support for my	developed in To Kill a	Chapters 24-	protocol
Stand in To	analysis of literary text.	Mockingbird.	26 (from	• Key
Kill a	(RL.8.1)		homework)	Quotes
Mockingbird	• I can analyze the		• Four	
(Chapters 24-	development of a theme or		Corners	
26, plus	central idea throughout the		 Exit ticket 	
synthesis of	text (including its			
scenes in	relationship to the			
previous	characters, setting, and			
chapters)	plot). (RL.8.2)			
_	• I can analyze how specific			
	dialogue or incidents in a			
	plot propel the action,			
	reveal aspects of a			
	character, or provoke a			
	decision. (RL.8.3)			
9 Analyzing	• I can write arguments to	• I can explain what it	• Chapter 27	
the Model	support claims with clear	means to write a coherent	structured	
Essay:	reasons and relevant	argument essay with	notes (from	
Studying	evidence. (W.7.1)	appropriate structure and	homework)	
Argument	• I can identify the	relevant evidence.	 Supporting 	
(Chapter 27,	argument and specific	• I can analyze the	Evidence-	
plus synthesis	claims in a text. (RI.8.8)	argument in a model	Based	
of scenes in	• I can analyze how an	essay.	Claims	
previous	author acknowledges and	• I can analyze how the	graphic	
chapters)	responds to conflicting	author of the model essay	organizer	
1 /	evidence or viewpoints.	acknowledges and	• Exit ticket	
	(RI.8.6)	responds to a		
		counterclaim.		
10 Writing an	• I can write arguments to	• I can craft the claim of	Structured	
Argument	support claims with clear	my argument essay based	notes for	
Essay:	reasons and relevant	on the strongest evidence.	Chapter 28	
Evaluating the	evidence. (W.8.1)	• I can choose relevant	(from	
Model and	• I can produce clear and	and compelling reasons to	homework)	
Crafting a	coherent writing that is	support the claim I am	• Exit ticket	
Claim	appropriate to task,	making in my argument		
(Chapter 28,	purpose, and audience.	essay.		
including	(W.8.4)	•		
synthesis of	• I can cite text-based			
scenes in	evidence that provides the			
previous	strongest support for my			
chapters))	analysis of literary text.			
• ′′	(RL.8.1)			
previous	strongest support for my analysis of literary text.			

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11 Writing and Argument Essay: Peer Critique with Rubric (Chapters 29-31, including synthesis of scenes in previous chapters)	• I can write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. (W.8.1) • I can produce clear and coherent writing that is appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (W.8.4) • With support from peers and adults, I can use a writing process to ensure that purpose and audience have been addressed. (W.8.5) • I can select evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. (W.8.9) • I can use correct capitalization, punctuation, and spelling to send a clear message to my reader. (L.8.2)	 I can critique my partner's use of evidence using criteria from the To Kill a Mockingbird argument rubric. I can revise my work by incorporating helpful feedback from my partner. I can write an organized argument essay about To Kill a Mockingbird. Add bullet: I can use correct punctuation in my Quote Sandwich. 	• Structured notes for Chapters 29, 30, and 31 (from homework) • Quote Sandwich for Peer Critique • Exit ticket	Peer critique protocol Praise-Question-Suggest protocol
12 Writing an Argument Essay: Planning the Essay	 I can write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. (W.8.1) I can produce clear and coherent writing that is appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (W.8.4) 	 I can select reasons and support them with evidence to support my claim about To Kill a Mockingbird. I can explain how the details develop the reasons that support my claim. I can acknowledge and respond to a counterclaim. 	• Exit ticket	
13 End of Unit 2 Assessment, Part 1: Drafting the Argument Essay	• I can write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. (W.8.1) • I can produce clear and coherent writing that is appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (W.8.4)	 I can write an organized argument essay about To Kill a Mockingbird. In my essay, I can support my claim with reasons, details, and quotes from the novel. In my essay, I can explain how the details 	Essay draft	

	• I can select evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. (W.8.9) • I can cite text-based evidence that provides the strongest support for my analysis of literary text. (RL.8.1) • I can analyze the development of a theme or central idea throughout the text (including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot).(RL.8.2) • I can analyze how specific dialogue or incidents in a plot propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision. (RL.8.3)	develop the reasons that support my claim. • In my essay, I can acknowledge and respond to a counterclaim.		
14 Launching the Reader's	• I can analyze the development of a theme or	• I can describe what reader's theater is and list	• Exit Ticket: My Key	• Key Quotes
Theater Groups and	central idea throughout the text (including its	criteria of reader's theater.	Quote and Scene	• Reader's Theater
Allocating	relationship to the	• I can work effectively	Scene	Criteria
Key Quotes	characters, setting, and	with a group to create		
and Scenes	plot). (RL.8.2) • I can effectively engage in	group norms to make group discussion and		
	discussions with diverse	collaborative work		
	partners about 8th grade	productive and enjoyable.		
	topics, texts, and issues.	• I can work effectively		
	(SL.8.1)	with a group to allocate a		
15 Writing the	• I can write narrative texts	scene to each person. • I can analyze a model	• Draft	• Key
First Draft of	about real or imagined	reader's theater script to	reader's	Quotes
the Reader's	experiences using relevant	generate criteria of an	theater script	
Theater Script	details and event sequences	effective reader's theater		
	that make sense. (W.8.3)	script.		
	• I can create poetry, stories and other literary forms.	• I can write a first draft of my reader's theater		
	(W.8.11b)	script.		
16 End of	• With support from peers	• I can use feedback from	• Revised	• End of Unit
Unit 2	and adults, I can use a	others to revise and	Essay	2

Assessment, Part 2: Revise	writing process to ensure that purpose and audience	improve my essay. • I can use correct	Assessment, Part One:
Essay Drafts	have been addressed.	grammar and punctuation	Drafting the
	(W.8.5) • I can use correct grammar	in my essay.	Argument Essay
	and usage when writing or		2554)
	speaking. (L.8.1) • I can use correct		
	capitalization, punctuation,		
	and spelling to send a clear		
	message to my reader. (L.8.2)		

Academic and Reading Vocabulary:

Vocabulary from Chapters 1–13 (provided on "I have, who has?" strips), including new words: confined (99), livid (100), commence (106), undulate (107), beholden (111), perspective; antagonize (137), infallible (140), ominous (146), acquiescence, impassive (154), formidable (159), amiably (169), acrimonious (171), benignly (172), genially (175), mollified (180), arid, wrathfully (185), volition (192), subtlety (195), expunge (196), candid, impudent (198), irony, literally, figuratively; detachment (202), subsequent (203), unmitigated, temerity (204), integrity (205), acquit, indignant (207), cynical (214), fatalistic, ruefully (215), wryly, furtive (218), commutes (219), vehement (221), integrity, argument, coherent, relevant evidence, counterclaim, conflicting viewpoint; analyze, logical; industry, notoriety, obscure (248), eccentricities (250), claim, argument, relevant, compelling reasons; irascible (255), gait (255), pinioned (262), staccato (263), untrammeled (266), ellipsis, critique, incorporate feedback,

Central Texts:

- 1. Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird (New York: Warner Books, 1982), ISBN: 978-0-446-31486-2.
- 2. Shirley Chisholm, "Equal Rights for Women," speech made on May 21, 1969.
- 3. Sojourner Truth, "Ain't I a Woman?" speech made in May 1851.
- 4. Lyndon Johnson, "The Great Society," speech made on May 22, 1964.
- 5. To Kill a Mockingbird, film directed by Robert Mulligan (and starring Gregory Peck), 1962.
- 6. Robert Hayden, "Those Winter Sundays," 1966.
- 7. Countee Cullen, "Incident," 1925.
- 8. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, "Solitude," 1883.