

LA 1123 : English 8

This integrated program of reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language usage is based upon a core selection of contemporary and classical literature. Instructional activities incorporate vocabulary development, reading comprehension and analysis, composition, grammar and punctuation skills, and oral language.

Subject Area

English and Reading

Level





Middle School

Parent Docs

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Storyboard

Essential Questions: How do challenges shape us in how we see the world? How am I growing as an analytical thinker and effective communicator?

	<u>Quarter 1</u>	<u>Quarter 2</u>	<u>Quarter 3</u>	<u>Quarter 4</u>
Unit	Units 1 and 2	Unit 3 and 4	Unit 5	Unit 6
Title and Exploring Challenge		Analyzing Challenges		Challenges in Society
Time	<i>Persuasive Writing</i>	<i>Expository Writing</i>	<i>Uncovering Challenges</i>	
	<i>Fiction and Nonfiction</i>	<i>Fiction and Nonfiction</i>	<i>Research Writing</i>	<i>Fiction and Nonfiction</i>
Image Cue				
	Are you ready to dive into the exciting world of reading persuasive writing? In this class, we explore how authors use their words to challenge our thinking and keep us on the edge of our seats! We take a closer look at the different types of conflicts that characters face in stories and how these challenges help shape the overall message of the book. Get ready to be transported to other worlds and experience the thrill of adventure as we explore the power of language and storytelling!	Are you curious about how historical conflicts come alive in literature? Get ready to embark on an exciting journey through time as we explore the past through the eyes of authors! In this adventure, we uncover the connections between different cultures, times, and places by examining the conflicts that shaped them. We hone our writing skills by communicating what we learn through our investigations, all while exploring the rich tapestry of history through the lens of literature. Get ready to be transported to different eras and explore the power of storytelling!	Are you ready to become a problem-solver and make a positive change in the world? In this adventure, we take a closer look at the challenges we face in our modern world and how we can overcome them. We jump into the world of research to explore the challenges that surround us and their potential solutions. We harness the power of persuasive writing to inspire others to join us in our quest to make the world a better place. So gear up, grab your pens, and get ready to tackle the biggest challenges of our time!	To end the year, we take our explorations of challenges and explore them through the eyes of multiple perspectives. We dive into the minds of characters and analyze their responses to both internal and external conflicts, drawing inspiration from their journeys to fuel our own. We make comparisons and draw conclusions about what impact challenges have on us and society as a whole.

Transfer Goals	Write: Plan, draft, edit, revise and publish one's writing for a purpose, task, or audience.	Research and Evaluate: Engage in research and inquiry to analyze, evaluate source credibility, and become more knowledgeable about a given topic.	Language: Explore the connections among letters, sounds, word parts, and vocabulary to understand the power of language that an author uses to express an idea.	Read: Read, comprehend, and analyze texts in order to construct meaning about the world and themselves.
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Learning Targets	I will utilize the writing process to compose a polished persuasive essay.	I will compose an expository writing by examining a topic with relevant facts, examples, and details; establishing relationships between ideas and supporting evidence.	I will engage in practicing persuasive techniques to demonstrate growth in my writing.	I will compare and contrast details in literary and informational nonfiction texts using research skills.
	I will analyze character development and explain how a writer's style conveys meaning and purpose.	I will examine historical fiction and nonfiction for the purpose of evaluating the credibility of authors and sources.	I will utilize the writing process to compose a polished persuasive essay.	