## 7th Grade ELA Curriculum MAP

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LITERATURE	WRITING/LANGUAGE ARTS	Essential Questions	Common Core and State Standards	SLE	ASSESSMENTS
SEPTEMBER Lit. Circles and Skill-building Summer Reading Assessments/Projects Daily 30 minutes reading and summary Literature Circles: Asking interpretive questions to provoke critical thinking Elements of a Short Story Genre "IMPACT" Book: Short Stories that analyze character, setting, plot, and theme Short Stories: Irony and Point of View Close reading strategies Forming a 5-paragraph essay with a precise central thesis statement	Daily Meditation and Journal Writing Grammar review – FANBOYS, phrase/clause Set up writing portfolio, goal setting Genre Review essay structure Narrative Writing Dialogue in Narrative Writing Short Story paragraphs: focus on setting and character and how the two influence one another Plot Diagrams	How do authors convey purpose and meaning in literature? How does literature contribute to an understanding of ourselves and others? How does truth change based on who tells the story?	W8.1, W8.3, W8.4, W8.5, W8.6, W8.9, W8.10 L8.1, L8.2, L8.3 R8.1, R8.2, R8.4, R8.10 RI8.1, RI8.4, RI8.8, RI8.10	1.d 2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.c 3.e 3.f	Formative Comprehension Checks Summary Checks Reflections Grammar paragraph checks Writing goals Interpretive and Evaluative questions Grammar quiz (diagnostic) Close reading Summative Compare/contrast essay Spelling/vocabulary test Grammar quiz Short Story

OCTOBER Literature Circles: Exercising Empathy Stargirl - Jerry Spinelli When Zachary Beaver Came to Town - Kimberly Willis Holt Short Stories: Irony and Point of View Literature Circles: Analyzing character and asking interpretive and evaluative questions/ connecting and thinking critically	Grammar review and daily grammar paragraphs Daily Meditation Novel-based vocabulary (weekly) MLA Citations - summarizing, paraphrasing, and direct quotes Non-fiction and research writing Literary Analysis Essay	Why is it important to try to understand different points of view? What can we learn from others with experiences that differ from our own?	W7.1,W7.2,W7. 3, W7.6,W7.7,W7. 7, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5 R7.1,R7.2,R7.3, R7.4, R7.5, R7.6, R7.9 RI7.2 RI7.3 RI7.6	1.d 2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.c 3.e 3.f	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Journal writing Summative Weekly paragraph check Spelling/vocabulary test Grammar quiz Research Essay Comprehension test Literature journal
NOVEMBER Literature Circles: Stargirl When Zachary Beaver Came to Town Literature Circles Developing questions and subsequent answers Critical Questioning How description and dialogue reveal character	Daily Meditation and Journal Writing Literary Analysis Essay Novel-based vocabulary Research Writing Internet-based research strategies Grammar review and daily grammar paragraphs Daily Meditation Novel-based vocabulary	How does literature contribute to an understanding of ourselves and others? What can we learn from others with experiences that differ from our own?	W7.1, W7.3, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4 R7.1, R7.2, R7.4, R7.5, R7.7, R7.10	1.d 2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a. 3.b	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Reading log assignment Spelling/vocabulary test Grammar quiz Literary Essay - Descriptive

DECEMBER Research Writing - religious celebrations around the world Figurative Language Literature Circles: Analyzing character, asking	Descriptive writing Adjectives and adverbs Using powerful verbs and descriptors Details and Description in Writing: Figurative Language Non-fiction and essay	How does incorporating figurative language and imagery allow the reader to connect with a text?	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.19 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5, L7.6	1.d 2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Grammar midterm
interpretive and evaluative questions, analyzing important passages "A Christmas Memory" short story study: figurative language, tone, analyze author's style, determine theme	writing: textual analysis and research writing Narrative writing – A Memory developing character, setting, use of figurative and description language, conflicts	How do we express our thoughts through writing in as interesting a way as possible?	R7.1, R7.2, R7.3, R7.4, R7.6, R7.8	3.a. 3.b	Spelling/vocabulary test Narrative essay Comprehension test
JANUARY					
When My Name Was Keoko by Linda Sue Park Reading informational and non-fictional texts MLA bibliography Issue-based persuasive texts; analyzing an issue from multiple sides	Daily Meditation Grammar review and daily grammar paragraphs Persuasive, evidence-based writing Non-fiction research writing Incorporating historical details in writing Self-editing and self-grading → analyzing one's own work	In what ways to individuals change when faced with adversity? In what ways to they stay the same? How do the bonds we form with others - family, friends - give us strength?	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.5 RI7.1, RI7.2, RI7.4, RI7.5, RI7.6, RI7.8, RI7.9, RI7.10	2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.b 3.c 3.e 3.f	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Spelling/vocabulary test Informative/Persuasiv e essay Powerpoint presentation

FEBRUARY When My Name Was Keoko by Linda Sue Park Informative text Literature Circles: Analyzing character and setting, asking interpretive and evaluative questions, analyzing important passages Figurative Language: Simile, Metaphor, Personification, Imagery	Daily Meditation Daily grammar paragraphs Novel-based vocabulary Narrative writing: analyzing different points of view Poetry Writing Historical Writing: Research Literary Analysis Essay	What actions constitute as rebellion? In what ways to individuals change when faced with adversity? In what ways to they stay the same? How do the bonds we form with others - family, friends - give us strength? What actions constitute as rebellion?	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5 RR7.1, R7.2, R7.3, R7.4, R7.5, R7.6, R7.10	2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.b 3.c 3.e 3.f	<b>Formative</b> Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Literature journal <b>Summative</b> Reading presentation Spelling/vocabulary test Grammar quiz Comprehension test Narrative writing: Historical
MARCH Poetry Writing Poetry – ballads, haiku, ode, couplet, quatrain, cinquain Close Reading: Poets from Cultures around the World Informative text – research poet Close reading poem for	Daily Meditation Daily grammar paragraphs Poetry Writing: Haiku, Ballad, Ode, Couplet, Quatrain, Cinquain Metaphor for a Family Slam Poetry: My Life in Numbers	How does poetry serve as a unique way to communicate a feeling or emotion? What purposes does poetry serve	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.7, W7.8, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5, L7.6	1.d 2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Spelling/vocabulary test Comparative Essay

memorization Poetry close reading Robert Frost, Mary Oliver, Claudia Castro Luna Poetry analysis		in modern society?	RI7.1, RI7.3, RI7.4, RI7.8, RI7.9		Poetry Writing Comprehension Test
APRIL <i>The Outsiders</i> How does modern culture affect how an author writes a novel? Examining American popular culture through film, literature, mixed media Literature Circles Novel-based analysis Poetry Analysis - Robert Frost	First-person narratives Character and Voice Literary Analysis Essay Novel-based vocabulary 5-paragraph essays	Is one's identity created or determined for them? How does society perpetuate tension between social classes? What makes someone feel like the "other" in a situation?	W7.3, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.7, W8.7, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5, L7.6 R7.1, R7.2, R7.4, R7.5 RI7.1, RI7.2, RI7.4, RI7.8, RI7.9	2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.c 3.e	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Poetry memorization Poetry drafts Summative Poetry book Research paragraphs Figurative language quiz Spelling/vocab quiz Narrative writing – poetry book
MAY <i>The Outsiders</i> Examining American popular culture through film, literature, mixed media Literature Circles Novel-based analysis	Daily Meditation First-person narratives Character and Voice Literary Analysis Essay Novel-based vocabulary 5-paragraph Essays Self-editing and self-grading Peer editing	Is one's identity created or determined for them? How does society perpetuate tension between social classes?	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.10 L7.1, L7.2, L7.3, L7.4, L7.5, L7.6	2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f 3.a 3.c	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Spelling/vocab quiz Informative essay Literary Analysis

		What makes someone feel like the "other" in a situation?	R7.1, R7.2, R7.3, R7.4, R7.6, R7.9, R7.10	3.e	Grammar quiz Close reading
JUNE Grammar Final Final Exam! Short Stories and mixed media (video essays, poetry, film study)	Daily Meditation Daily Grammar paragraphs Self-Evaluation Reflecting on how writing has grown/changed over the course of year	How does self-reflection promote personal change and growth?	W7.1, W7.2, W7.4, W7.5, W7.6, W7.9, W7.10 RI7.1, RI7.2, RI7.3, RI7.4, RI7.5, RI7.6, RI7.8, RI7.9, RI7.10	2.a 2.b 2.c 2.d 2.e 2.f	Formative Regular summary and grammar checks Vocabulary and nightly homework Summative Grammar Final Final Exam Research assignment Research quiz