

**Course Description:**

Like semester A, semester B provides an integrated curriculum. Whereas the first semester focuses on skills needed to read fiction and other literary prose, semester B teaches specific skills for reading poetry, drama, and informational text. In the second semester of the course, students learn how informational text differs from literary text and how different forms of information text differ from each other. Writing assignments emphasize expository writing and guide students through research projects. Near the end of the semester, students learn how to present information orally and using multimedia.

**Materials Needed:** Highlighters, Dictionary, 7 File folders, Note cards

Module	Lesson Title	Objectives	Assessments
1	Poem vs. Other Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the differences between poems and other forms of literature.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create Your Poem Assignment</li> <li>Poem vs. Other Literature Quiz</li> </ul>
	Sounds of Poetry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe music characteristics of poems (rhythm, meter, rhyme).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sounds of Poetry Quiz</li> </ul>
	Visual Characteristics of Poetry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe visual characteristics of poems (line/verse/stanza).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sculpting Your Poem Assignment</li> <li>Visual Characteristics of Poetry Quiz</li> </ul>
	Frequently Confused Words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correctly use frequently confused words (to, two, too; there, their, they're).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frequently Confused Words Quiz</li> <li>Elements of Poetry Exam</li> <li>Elements of Poetry Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Similes and Metaphors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors in context.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Similes and Metaphors in Poems Assignment</li> <li>Similes and Metaphors Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Figurative Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret a poet's use of figurative language.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Figurative Language Assignment</li> <li>Figurative Language Quiz</li> </ul>
	Word Nuances in Poetry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret a poet's word choice based on word relationships and nuances of meaning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nuance and Other Word Relationship Assignment</li> <li>Word Nuances in Poetry Quiz</li> </ul>
	Finding Adjectives in Sentences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognize standard word order for adjectives used in English sentences.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finding Adjectives in Sentences Quiz</li> <li>Poetry in Practice Exam</li> <li>Poetry in Practice Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Drama and Other Forms of Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the differences between drama and other forms of literature.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drama and Other Forms of Literature Quiz</li> <li>Fairy Tale to Play Assignment</li> </ul>
	Adages and Proverbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognize and explain the meaning of common adages and proverbs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adages and Proverbs Quiz</li> </ul>
	Defining Sentence Fragments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define sentence fragment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Defining Sentence Fragments Quiz</li> </ul>
	Finding Sentence Fragments in Drama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognize sentence fragments as they are used in drama.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finding Sentence Fragments in Drama Quiz</li> <li>Drama Exam</li> <li>Drama Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
2	Structure of Drama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe the structural elements of drama.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structure of Drama Quiz</li> </ul>
	Drama Text vs Drama Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make connections between drama text and drama performance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drama Text vs Drama Performance Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Correcting Sentence Fragments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correct inappropriate use of sentence fragments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correcting Sentence Fragments Quiz</li> </ul>
	Spelling Words Correctly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spell words correctly, consulting references as needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spelling Words Correctly Assignment</li> <li>Spelling Words Correctly Quiz</li> <li>Elements of Drama Exam</li> <li>Elements of Drama Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Informational Text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read for details in informational text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Caring for a Cat Assignment</li> <li>Informational Text Quiz</li> </ul>
	Making Inferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make inferences based on informational text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Making Inferences Quiz</li> </ul>
	Explicit and Implicit Messages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the explicit and implicit messages in informational text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explicit and Implicit Messages Quiz</li> </ul>
	Details That Support Messages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify details that convey explicit and implicit messages.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Details That Support Messages Quiz</li> <li>Reading for Information Exam</li> <li>Reading for Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Main Ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the main idea in a passage of informational text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Main Ideas Assignment</li> <li>Main Ideas Quiz</li> </ul>
	Supporting Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain how a main idea is supported by details in a text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting Details Assignment</li> <li>Supporting Details Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Summary and Paraphrase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Write summaries that include main ideas and supporting ideas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary and Paraphrase Assignment</li> <li>Summary and Paraphrase Quiz</li> </ul>
	Synonym and Antonym	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the meaning of words by relating them to their opposites or to words with similar meanings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Synonym and Antonym Quiz</li> <li>Main Ideas Exam</li> <li>Main Ideas Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
3	Types of Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify characteristics of historical and technical writing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Types of Information Text Assignment</li> <li>Types of Information Quiz</li> </ul>
	Reading Historical and Scientific Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply strategies for reading historical and scientific texts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Getting Started Assignment</li> <li>Social Groupies Assignment</li> <li>Reading Historical and Scientific Writing Quiz</li> </ul>
	Word Parts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use Greek and Latin word parts as clues to word meanings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Word Parts Quiz</li> </ul>
	Summarizing Technical Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarize historical, scientific, and technical text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarizing Technical Writing Assignment</li> <li>Summarizing Technical Writing Quiz</li> <li>Technical Reading Exam</li> <li>Technical Reading Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Overall Text Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify and describe the overall structure of a text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overall Text Structure Quiz</li> </ul>
	Text Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify text structures: chronological, comparison, cause-effect, and problem solution.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text Structures Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Paragraphs and Sections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group related information in paragraphs and sections.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning Informational Text Assignment</li> <li>Paragraphs and Sections Quiz</li> </ul>
	Precise Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to write about a topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Topic Vocabulary Assignment</li> <li>Precise Language Quiz</li> <li>Text Structures Exam</li> <li>Text Structures Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Firsthand and Secondhand Accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare and contrast firsthand and secondhand accounts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Firsthand and Secondhand Accounts Assignment</li> <li>Analyzing Accounts Assignment</li> <li>Firsthand and Secondhand Accounts Quiz</li> </ul>
	Reasons and Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reasons and Evidence Assignment</li> <li>Reasons and Evidence Quiz</li> </ul>
	Definitions and Pronunciation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consult reference materials, both print and digital, to find out how a word is pronounced and what it means.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dictionary Definitions Assignment</li> <li>Definitions and Pronunciation Quiz</li> </ul>
	Drafting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gather Your Information Assignment</li> <li>Drafting Quiz</li> <li>Informational Reports Exam</li> <li>Informational Reports Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
4	Photographs and Drawings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret information presented visually with drawings or photographs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Photographs and Drawings Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Visual Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret information presented quantitatively with charts, graphs, timelines, diagrams, animations, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visual Elements Assignment</li> <li>Visual Elements Quiz</li> </ul>
	Oral Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret information presented orally with voice, sound, and music.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Podcast Notes Assignment</li> <li>Oral Elements Quiz</li> </ul>
	Using Visual Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use visual elements to develop and support a topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adding Visual Elements Assignment</li> <li>Using Visual Elements Quiz</li> <li>Multimedia Information Exam</li> <li>Multimedia Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Integrating Sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrate information from two texts on the same topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrating Sources Assignment</li> <li>Integrating Sources Quiz</li> </ul>
	Direct Quotes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a topic by supporting an interpretation with quotations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Direct Quotes Assignment</li> <li>Direct Quotes Quiz</li> </ul>
	Punctuating Direct Quotes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use commas and quotation marks to identify quotations from a text.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Punctuating Direct Quotes Quiz</li> </ul>
	Run-on Sentences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognize and correct run-on sentences.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Run-on Sentences Assignment</li> <li>Run-on Sentences Quiz</li> <li>Integrating Sources Exam</li> <li>Integrating Sources Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide a concluding statement or section for information developed on a topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Informational Report Conclusion Assignment</li> <li>Conclusions Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Transitional Tags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Link ideas within categories of information using transitional tags.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transitional Tags Assignment</li> <li>Transitional Tags Quiz</li> </ul>
	Peer Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply peer review strategies to informational writing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer Review Assignment</li> <li>Peer Review Quiz</li> </ul>
	Revising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthen writing by revising.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revising Informational Reports Assignment</li> <li>Revising Quiz</li> <li>Writing Information Exam</li> <li>Writing Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
5	Steps to Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify stages of research.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steps to Research Quiz</li> </ul>
	Research Topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify aspects of a research topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>My Research Question Assignment</li> <li>Research Topic Quiz</li> </ul>
	Plan Your Research Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan a research project that investigates several aspects of a topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan Your Research Project Quiz</li> </ul>
	Personal Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recall and explain information from an experience relevant to a research topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>My Personal Experience Assignment</li> <li>Personal Experience Quiz</li> <li>Planning Research Exam</li> <li>Planning Research Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Print and Digital Sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gather relevant information from print and digital sources.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Source List Assignment</li> <li>Print and Digital Sources Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Source Information on Note Cards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record source information as part of a note-taking process.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>My Record of Sources Assignment</li> <li>Source Information on Note Cards Quiz</li> </ul>
	Taking Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take notes from informational texts, displays, and presentations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research Notes Assignment</li> <li>Taking Notes Quiz</li> </ul>
	Categorizing Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize information gathered in notes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organizing Note Cards Assignment</li> <li>Categorizing Information Quiz</li> <li>Gathering Information Exam</li> <li>Gathering Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	How to Analyze Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify procedures for analyzing information.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to Analyze Information Quiz</li> </ul>
	Analyzing Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze information gathered during research.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyzing Notes Assignment</li> <li>Analyzing Notes Quiz</li> </ul>
	Analysis Statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the results of analyzing information.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analysis Statements Assignment</li> <li>Analysis Statements Quiz</li> </ul>
	Supporting Analysis Statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support analysis statements using evidence from research.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting Analysis Statements Quiz</li> <li>Analyzing Information Exam</li> <li>Analyzing Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
6	Preparing an Oral Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare an oral report by organizing information on a topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral Report Notes Assignment</li> <li>Preparing an Oral Report Quiz</li> </ul>



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	Facts and Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use appropriate facts and descriptions to support main ideas in an oral report.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facts and Details Assignment</li> <li>Facts and Details Quiz</li> </ul>
	Delivering an Oral Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deliver an oral report, speaking clearly at an understandable pace.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral Report Evaluation Assignment</li> <li>Delivering an Oral Report Quiz</li> </ul>
	Recording of Oral Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce an audio recording of an oral report.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record Your Speech Assignment</li> <li>Recording of Oral Report Quiz</li> <li>Delivering Information Exam</li> <li>Delivering Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Identifying Reasons and Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support his or her main ideas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral Report Peer Review Assignment</li> <li>Identifying Reasons and Evidence Quiz</li> </ul>
	Participating in Discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in collaborative discussions based on specific topics.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating in Discussions Discussion</li> <li>Participating in Discussions Quiz</li> </ul>
	Formal and Informal English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English and situations where informal discourse is appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formal and Informal English Quiz</li> </ul>
	Commas Before Coordinating Conjunctions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commas Before Coordinating Conjunctions Quiz</li> <li>Discussing Information Exam</li> <li>Discussion Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>
	Adding Visual Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add visual elements to an oral presentation or recording.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adding Visual Elements Quiz</li> </ul>

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	Unfamiliar Words	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consult reference materials, both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and precise meaning of key words and phrases.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define Your Terms Assignment</li> <li>Unfamiliar Words Quiz</li> </ul>
	Creating Multimedia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a multimedia presentation on a researched topic.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multimedia Components Assignment</li> <li>Slide Presentation Online Assignment</li> <li>Multimedia Presentation Assignment</li> <li>Creating Multimedia Quiz</li> </ul>
	Choosing Punctuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choose punctuation for effect.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Punctuate Your Presentation Assignment</li> <li>Choosing Punctuation Quiz</li> <li>Presenting Information Exam</li> <li>Presenting Information Independent Reading Assignment</li> </ul>