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Unit	Lesson	Objectives
Exploring Literary Nonfiction and Poetry		
Building and Creating: Distinguishing Fact from Opinion in an Essay		
		Distinguish between facts and opinions in a personal essay
		Cite facts that support a speaker's opinions
		Draw conclusions about a central idea that is unstated
Objective Language in a Speech about the Brooklyn Bridge		
		Identify the historical context of a speech
		Distinguish between objective and subjective language
		Construct an objective summary
Figurative Language in a Poem about the Empire State Building		
		Build background knowledge about a historic landmark
		Interpret figurative language in a poem
		Make connections to understand a poem's significance
Frida Kahlo: Word Choice in a Biography		
		Understand the purpose and organization of a biography
		Explore how word choice can indicate how the author feels about a topic
		Form an opinion of a person based on a biography
Exploring Tone in Poetry		
		Determine how word choice affects the meaning of a poem
		Analyze tone in a poem
		Examine the historical context of a poem
Sentence Patterns		

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		Recognize and correct incomplete fragments and run-on sentences	
		Explain how varied sentence patterns can affect fluency, style, and tone	
		Evaluate the use of varied sentence patterns in writing	
	Understanding Greek and Latin Affixes and Roots		
		Explain how affixes and roots affect the meaning of words	
		Recognize roots and affixes with Greek and Latin origins	
		Use Greek and Latin affixes and roots to determine word meaning	
		Text Features in A Short Walk Around the Pyramids and Through the World of Art	
			Describe the purpose of text features
	Synthesize information presented textually and visually		
	Use text features to interpret important details in the text		
	Group Discussion		
		Prepare to participate in a formal group discussion	
		Recognize and apply listening guidelines for listening and speaking in a group	
	Demonstrate the ability to present and respond to information in a formal discussion		
	Unit Test		
	Exploring Fiction and Drama: Part One		
	Understanding Others: Analyzing Conflict in "Eleven"		
		Explain elements of plot in a short story	
		Examine internal and external conflict	
		Evaluate a character's actions	

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	Wordplay in The Phantom Tollbooth	
		Identify examples of realism in a fantastical story
		Analyze wordplay in a piece of fiction
		Analyze a writer's choice to use idioms
	Characters' Perspectives in The Phantom Tollbooth	
		Explain how perspective shapes our experiences
		Examine different perspectives presented in a fiction text
		Draw conclusions about a character from his or her perspective on a topic
	Caretakers of the Earth: Examining the Legend of "The Chenoo"	
		Explore legend as a genre
		Connect the purpose of a legend to its theme
		Summarize a story
	Narrative Point of View in Seedfolks	
		Examine how an author conveys a narrator's perspective
		Describe how a character's style of narration reveals character traits
		Analyze why an author assigns a specific point of view to a narrator
	Reading Success	
		Establish a purpose for reading.
		Make a variety of connections to texts.
		Check reading comprehension by using strategies.
	Writing a Formal Letter	
		Recognize elements of a friendly letter.

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		Recognize elements of a business letter.
		Compare and contrast emails and written correspondence.
	Unit Test	
Exploring Fiction and Drama: Part Two		
	Character Development in Esperanza Rising	
		Analyze how an author uses descriptions to develop characters
		Examine details that show how a character changes
		Describe how a character responds to plot events
	Structure of a Drama: Blanca Flor	
		Explore the characteristics of a folktale
		Analyze differences and similarities between narrative and dramatic text
		Make predictions to support comprehension
	Exploring Theme and Purpose in Blanca Flor	
		Analyze text details to determine theme
		Make inferences based on textual evidence
		Connect the theme of a text to its purpose
	Exploring Word Relationships and Figurative Language	
		Recognize relationships between words
		Interpret figurative language
		Explain how knowledge of figurative language improves comprehension and writing
	Sentence Structure	
		Recall the different parts of sentences.

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		Recognize the difference between simple, compound, and complex sentences.
		Use a graphic organizer (sentence diagram) to improve sentence formation.
	Pronouns	
		Identify and use personal pronouns
		Identify and use reflexive and intensive pronouns
		Recognize how to use pronouns in the correct case and with clarity
	Writing a Personal Narrative about Fitting In	
		Brainstorm and sequence events in chronological order
		Revise to use descriptive details and sensory words
		Write an engaging personal narrative through the writing process
	Unit Test	
Exploring Informational Text		
	Making Changes: Central Ideas in Immigrant Kids	
		Understand the purpose of an informational text
		Identify and paraphrase central ideas
		Analyze text details that support a central idea
	Ellis Island National Monument Online: Text and Visual Details	
		Use photographs to understand the historical context of an informational text
		Analyze details presented both textually and visually
		Combine details to determine central ideas
	Ellis Island National Monument Online: Cause-and-Effect Structure	

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		Identify cause and effect relationships within a text
		Analyze how ideas within informational text are organized
		Connect a text's structure to its purpose
	Ellis Island National Monument Online: Asking Questions	
		Ask questions to better understand text details
		Explore oral histories
		Determine the central idea
	Bringing the 1930s to Life in Brighton Beach Memoirs	
		Identify structural elements of a drama
		Explain how a playwright develops a character's perspective
		Analyze how a drama conveys historical context
	Using Reference Materials	
		Recognize the purpose of a dictionary and a thesaurus
		Use reference materials to clarify word meaning
		Choose the best resource for a specific task
	Researching for Writing	
		Analyze different sources.
		Incorporate research into a response.
		Make adjustments based on new information.
	Creating a Blog	
		Explore the purpose of a blog
		Research a topic

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		Develop a claim with research and evidence
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Cumulative Exam		
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Exploring Persuasive Text and Media		
	Exploring Graphic Presentation in I Was Their American Dream	
		Explore an informational text presented graphically.
		Determine an author's purpose.
		Analyze the central idea of a text.
	Connecting to a Fight Against Bullying	
		Apply prior knowledge to a topic to increase comprehension
		Make text connections
		Synthesize learned ideas to create new ones
	Evaluating an Argument on Healthy Eating	
		Identify and trace an author's argument
		Explain how an author supports an argument with reasons and evidence
		Evaluate an author's argument for its effectiveness
	Rhetoric and Fallacy	
		Analyze rhetorical devices.
		Analyze logical fallacies.
		Explain the difference between rhetorical devices and logical fallacies.

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	Analyzing an Editorial	
		Analyze an argument.
		Analyze rhetorical devices.
		Analyze logical fallacies.
	Context Clues and Multiple-Meaning Words	
		Identify context clues within sentences and paragraphs
		Use context clues to determine the meanings of unfamiliar words
		Determine the appropriate meaning of multiple-meaning words
	Common Spelling Errors	
		Recognize common homophones.
		Recognize common contractions.
		Apply common spelling rules and exceptions.
	Creating a Public Service Advertisement	
		Explore the purpose of a public service advertisement
		Research to state a claim and provide evidence to support it
		Use appropriate voice and tone to convey a message
		Create a public service advertisement that presents a focused message with supporting evidence
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Generating Connections: Literary Text		
	Overcoming Obstacles: Word Choice in Heart of a Samurai	
		Examine how word choice conveys historical context
		Analyze how word choice and pacing add excitement to a story

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		Understand the purpose of a cliffhanger in a story
	Characterization in Heart of a Samurai	
		Cite details to make inferences
		Analyze how an author's word choice affects character development
		Connect characterization to theme
	Visual Text Features in Into the Unknown	
		Explore the purpose of text features
		Analyze how visual text features convey information
		Use text features to examine people profiled in a text
	Understanding Mythology in Black Ships Before Troy	
		Identify elements of mythology
		Analyze backstory to identify theme
		Connect the concepts of heroism to Greek mythology
	New Beginnings: Characters in Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	
		Read an excerpt from Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor.
		Explore how stories connect readers to history.
		Analyze what characters do and why they do it.
		Investigate a character's motivation.
	Making Connections to Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	
		Analyze the tone of a fictional text
		Make text-to-self connections to understand a story
		Evaluate how the relationships in a story relate to a larger theme

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	Punctuation and Capitalization	
		Understand punctuation and capitalization rules
		Identify common errors in punctuation and capitalization
		Edit for punctuation and capitalization
	Writing an Analysis of Literary Characters	
		Use text evidence to plan a compare-and-contrast analysis
		Revise to clarify the relationships between ideas through transitions and details
		Write an analysis that compares how culture shapes two characters in different texts
	Unit Test	
Generating Connections: Informational Text		
	What's Out There: Exploring a Science Text in A Black Hole Is NOT a Hole	
		Identify the parts of a scientific text
		Examine a scientific introduction
		Determine what makes sources credible for an informational text
	Understanding Complex Information in A Black Hole Is NOT a Hole	
		Compare and contrast to analyze similarities and differences
		Determine the meaning of key terms using context
		Explore the author's use of humor
	Cause-and-Effect Structure in A Black Hole Is NOT a Hole	
		Distinguish between causes and effects
		Analyze cause-and-effect relationships

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		Examine information presented in different media or formats
	Drawing Conclusions in A Black Hole Is NOT a Hole	Interpret a timeline
		Draw conclusions based on a scientific text
		Summarize a text
	Connecting to Text in The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind	Apply context to the ideas in a text
		Analyze an author's descriptions of personal experiences
		Make connections between a written version and a filmed version of an author's experience
	Understanding Text Features	Analyze text features to gain background information.
		Analyze a text's organization.
		Explain how text features and organization support ideas.
	Analyzing Procedural Text	Explore the steps in a process
		Analyze the purpose of procedural writing
		Write a recipe based on a procedural framework
	Unit Test	
Generating Connections: All Genres		
	Introduction to Identity and Fitting In	Identify the elements of a story
		Trace plot developments in a short story

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		Reflect on how characters and events connect in a story
	Characters in Holes	
		Understand how an author reveals details about a character
		Distinguish between stated and implied character traits
		Infer to identify implied traits
	Details in a Middle Schooler's Personal Narrative	
		Understand the characteristics of a personal narrative
		Identify details that tell what happened to the writer
		Connect to the writer's central idea
	Author's Craft in Wonder	
		Make inferences to explain what is not stated in a text
		Identify how details help in characterization
		Explore an author's inspiration for writing
	That's Pretty Clever! Characters in The Number Devil	
		Distinguish between a protagonist and an antagonist
		Understand a character's purpose in a story
		Determine how a character can convey an author's purpose for writing
	Making Predictions in a Mystery: "Object Lesson"	
		Identify characteristics of a mystery
		Use text details to make predictions
		Understand why an author foreshadows events
	Understanding Suspense in a Mystery: "Object Lesson"	

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		Understand how suspense affects readers
		Identify how authors build suspense in stories
		Explore how characters solve a mystery
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Exploring Through Research		
	Synthesizing Information about the Apollo 11 Moon Landing	
		Understand how texts show problems and solutions
		Compare two articles about the same events
		Combine information from different sources
	Comparing Themes and Texts	
		Determine the central idea.
		Infer the theme.
		Compare ideas in different texts.
	Creating a Multimedia Presentation	
		Determine how to present ideas effectively for a formal presentation
		Analyze how multimedia is used to clarify information and make content engaging
		Evaluate how a speaker considers audience, topic, and purpose
	Conducting Research	
		Develop a research question.
		Develop a research plan.
		Synthesize evidence from multiple sources.
	Writing Workshop: Writing Using a Research Plan	

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		Revise writing to avoid logical fallacies.
		Synthesize evidence from multiple sources.
		Revise writing to avoid logical fallacies.
		Write an argument using a research plan.
	Unit Test	
Cumulative Exam		
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