

Grade 8 – 1st Trimester ELA Curriculum

Months: Aug. – Oct.	Standards	Assessments	Suggested Material
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Elements of Literature:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Identify parts of plot in a story – Identify and explain types of characters – Describe setting – Analyze the main conflict and how conflict drives the plot – Cite textual evidence – Analyze plot and characters – Draw inferences – Analyze dialogue – Analyze imagery and figurative language – Infer from the use of imagery and allusion – Make connections – Write a personal narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.1 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.2 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.3 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.5 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.6 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.9 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read a story and identify the elements of literature including plot, characters, setting, and conflict. Be able to cite textual evidence when explaining characters. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “The Elevator” by William Sleator • “Duffy’s Jacket” by Bruce Coville • “Mother and Daughter” by Gary Soto • “My Favorite Chaperone” by Jean Davies Okimoto • “Lamb to the Slaughter” by Roald Dahl • “Wise Old Woman” by Yoshiko Uchida
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Personal Narrative:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Write a personal narrative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3.A • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3.B • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3.C • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3.D • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.3.E • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.4 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.5 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.6 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.1 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write a personal narrative that includes the elements of literature. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graphic organizers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Prefixes, suffixes, & roots:</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.4 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.4.B • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.4.C • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.4.D 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know the definition of selected prefixes, suffixes, and roots to understand the structure of words. • Select the best word choice to complete a sentence based on definitions of words with Greek/Latin roots, prefixes, and suffixes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefixes and Suffixes by Trisha Callella • Greek and Latin roots by Trisha Callella

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Grammar:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sentence fragments - Run-on sentences - Wordy sentences - Colorful language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.1 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.2 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.8.3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete worksheets that practice the different grammar skills being focused on. • Write a personal narrative about adjusting to a new situation or fitting in with different groups. (Corresponds with Collection 1 assessment). • Related IXL skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar for Writing (Sadlier) • Grammar for Writing (McDougal Littell) • IXL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Independent Novel Study:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read a novel - Identify parts of plot in a story - Identify and explain types of characters - Describe setting - Analyze the main conflict and how conflict drives the plot - Cite textual evidence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.2 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.4 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.8.10 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.10 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.8.6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the elements of literature within the novel read. • Complete worksheets that require students to predict, connect, question, visualize, and summarize. • Present a book talk commercial. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student selected novel

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Biography & Autobiography:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analyze the structure of an autobiography - Determine author's point of view - Analyze how text makes connections - Analyze a biography - Cite textual evidence - Analyze text connections among individuals, ideas, or events - Determine the meaning of words and phrases - Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.1 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.2 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.3 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.6 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete questions for each text that require students to cite textual evidence. • Highlight a specific Civil War topic by conducting research, writing a speech, and formally presenting the findings to the class by incorporating a visual aid. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • from <i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i> by Frederick Douglass • from <i>Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad</i> by Ann Petry • “O Captain! My Captain!” by Walt Whitman • from <i>Bloody Times: The Funeral of Abraham Lincoln and the Manhunt for Jefferson Davis</i>” by James L. Swanson • “The Drummer Boy of Shiloh” by Ray Bradbury • “Civil War Journal” by Louisa May Alcott
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Civil War Speech:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research a topic relevant to the Civil War using a variety of sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.A • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.B • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.C • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.D • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.E • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2.F • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.8.4 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.8.5 • CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.8.6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil War Speech: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Record source information correctly for different types of sources - Take notes on a specific Civil War topic from several types of sources - Create a bibliography - Categorize and organize research notes - Develop an outline for the research - Draft a speech from the developed outline - Finalize the speech on note cards - Create a visual aid - Present research to the class that incorporates the visual 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-fiction resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - biographies - autobiographies • Reference materials • Internet sources • Library databases • Scholarly journals • Magazines