PITTSGROVE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT



Course Name: Accelerated English Language Arts	Grade Level(s): 7th	
Department: Humanities	Credits: N/A	
BOE Adoption Date: October 17, 2019	Revision Date(s):	

Course Description

The seventh grade accelerated English Language Arts curriculum utilizes a balanced literacy approach. The course incorporates reading units that relate to literature and non-fiction, as well as writing units that are based on genre. Reading and writing units are taught concurrently.

Although independent reading revolves around student choice, whole class reading activities relate to thematic units which include: Be Yourself, Discrimination, Perseverance, Standing Up for What is Right, and Poetry. Emphasis on citing evidence from text and close reading strategies allow students to understand key ideas and details, as well as understand and appreciate author's craft and structure. Word study includes vocabulary connotation as well as denotation.

Aligning with the NJ Student Learning Standards, many writing experiences are grounded in evidence from text. Students will write for a variety of purposes, including narrative, informational, and argumentative pieces. In addition, students will use technology to produce and publish writing, and to collaborate with one another. Spelling and grammar are infused into focus lessons that pertain directly to writing.

Mission Statement

The Pittsgrove Township School District believes in growing all learners to thrive. The district offers an intellectually rigorous, dynamic curriculum aligned to state and national standards coupled with research-based practices in classrooms. The Pittsgrove Township School District strives to highlight critical thinking, problem-solving, intercultural literacy, digital literacy, collaboration, innovation, and a growth mindset as part of the instructional core of learning. The district provides high quality resources to provide young people the knowledge they need to approach the future as leaders and learners.

Curriculum & Instruction Goals

- 1. To ensure students are college and career ready upon graduation
- 2. To vertically and horizontally align curriculum PreK-12 to ensure successful transition of students at each grade level
- 3. To identify individual student strengths and weaknesses utilizing various assessment measures (formative, summative, alternative, etc.) so as to differentiate instruction while meeting the rigor of the applicable content standards
- 4. To improve student achievement as assessed through multiple measures including, but not limited to, state testing, local assessments, and ongoing progress monitoring

How to Read this Document

This curricular document contains both a *pacing guide* and *curriculum units*. The pacing guide serves to communicate an estimated timeframe as to *when* critical knowledge and skills will be taught throughout the year. The pacing, however, may differ slightly depending upon the unique needs of each learner. The *curriculum units* contain more detailed information as to the content, goals, objectives, instructional strategies, resources, and assessments.

NJ Administrative Code and Statutes Key

^=Amistad Law	
O=Diversity & Inclusion Law	
<>=Holocaust	
+=LGBT and Disabilities Law	
*=AAPI (Asian American and Pacific Islanders)	
\$=Financial Literacy	
Use this key to understand where the NJ mandates are being implemented in the K-12 curriculum units.	

Pacing Guide

Course Title: Accelerated English Language Arts 7th Prerequisite(s): ELA 6

Unit Title	Duration/ Month(s)	Related Standards	Learning Goals	Critical Knowledge and Skills
Unit 1: Be Yourself (Gary Soto stories)	September 3 weeks	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R1 NJSLSA.R2 NJSLSA.W.1 Secondary Standards: RL.7.1 RL.7.2 RL.7.3 RL.7.4 L.7.5 W.7.1c W.7.1e W.7.2b W.7.2c W.7.2d W.7.2d W.7.4 L.7.1 L.7.2	 The students will be able to read literature and be able to make inferences and understand central ideas. The students will understand and be able to write literary analysis pieces. 	 Key Ideas and Details Identify elements of plot in a story (plot diagram) Distinguish between internal and external conflict Identify setting, mood, and theme of a story Make inferences based on evidence from text Analyze character development throughout a story (direct vs indirect) Identify characters' motives Distinguish between relevant and extraneous information Apply close reading strategies (use symbols and annotate) (rdg warm ups) Identify main idea and supporting details

		10.	Determine theme of a short story or novel
		11	Identify recurring themes
			and common attributes an
			author uses
		Craft a	nd Structure
			Use context clues to define
		1.	vocabulary
		C	Identify and interpret
		۷.	figurative language
		2	Distinguish between literal
		5.	-
		л	and figurative meaning
		4.	Interpret idioms and
			determine their origins
		-	tion of Knowledge
		1.	Compare and contrast
			fictional characters
		2.	Compare the theme of a
			poem to a short story
		3.	Draw correlations between
			the novel and nonfiction
			articles
		Text Ty	pes and Purposes
		1.	Identify the elements of
		т.	literary analysis
		2.	Distinguish between analysis
		۷.	and informational writing

		Production and Distribution of Writing	
		1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. Researc Knowle	Write a claim/thesis statement appropriate to literary analysis Use direct and indirect quotes as evidence Use introductory words and phrases to introduce evidence and create cohesion Use appropriate transitional words and phrases to establish a link between ideas Explain a topic by using specific language Write a concluding statement/ section that follows from and supports the analysis ch to Build and Present edge
		1.	Draw evidence from text(s) to support literary analysis

Unit 2: Edgar Allan	October	Power Standards:	1.	The students will be able to	Key Ideas and Details
Poe	(4 weeks)	NJSLSA.R2 NJSLSA.R3 NJSLSA.R4 NJSLSA.R4 NJSLSA.W1 NJSLSA.W2 NJSLSA.W7 Secondary Standards: RL.7.9 NJSLSA.W4 NJSLSA.W4 NJSLSA.W5 NJSLSA.W8 W.7.2. A-F SL.7.4 SL.7.5	2. 3.	read literature and be able to reflect on how a fictional work tackles an historical event, person, and/or setting. The students will be able to create a research question in order to conduct short research projects. The students will understand and be able to write literary analysis pieces.	 Identify elements of plot in story (plot diagram) Identify setting, mood, and the theme of a story

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		2.	Determine author's point of view (author's position)
		3.	. , .
			vocabulary
		4.	Recognize and interpret
			connotative meaning
		5.	Recognize and interpret
			words with multiple
			meanings
		6.	Identify and interpret
			figurative language
		7.	0
			and figurative meaning
		-	tion of Knowledge
		1.	Compare and contrast
			fictional characters
		2.	Draw correlations between
			the novel and nonfiction
			articles
		3.	Analyze and compare texts
			with similar themes
		Text Ty	pes and Purposes
		1.	Identify the elements of
		2	literary analysis
		2.	Design a research question
			in order to focus research on
			a specific topic.

		Production and Distribution of Writing	
			Write a claim/thesis statement appropriate to literary analysis Use direct and indirect quotes as evidence
		3.	Use introductory words and phrases to introduce evidence and create cohesion
		4.	Use appropriate transitional words and phrases to establish a link between ideas
		5.	specific language
		6.	Write a concluding statement/ section that follows from and supports the analysis
		Resear	ch to Build and Present
		Knowle	edge
		1.	Utilize research question for the purpose of presenting

				information on a specific topic.
Unit 3: Twist of Fate: A Christmas Carol & O'Henry Stories (i.e. The Gift of the Magi, After Twenty Years, Hey Come On Out, The Ransom of Red Chief)	November - December (5 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R5 NJSLSA.W3 NJSLSA.W4 Secondary Standards: RL.7.3 RL.7.6 RL.7.7 RL.7.10 W.4 W.5 W.7.3a W.7.3b W.7.3b W.7.3c W.7.3d W.7.3e L.7.1 L.7.2	The students will be able to read literature (drama and short story) and be able to analyze how the structure of different genres of literature affects understanding. The students will understand and be able to write narrative pieces.	 Key Ideas and Details: 1. Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot). 2. Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. Craft and Structure: 1. Analyze how a drama's or poem's form or structure (e.g., soliloquy, sonnet) contributes to its meaning 2. Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: 1. Compare and contrast a written story, drama, or

			poem to its audio, filmed, staged, or multimedia version, analyzing the effects of techniques unique to each medium (e.g., lighting, sound, color, or camera focus and angles in a film).
		Text Ty	pes and Purposes:
		2.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences. Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

		 signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
	Writi	 uction and Distribution of ing: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.

Unit 4: Power of Youth: Warriors Don't Cry (novel by Melba Patillo Beals) NewsELA Articles	January - February (8 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R7 NJSLSA.R8 NJSLSA.R9 NJSLSA.R10 NJSLSA.W.1 NJSLSA.W.7 NJSLSA.W.7 Secondary Standards: RI.7.1	2.	The students learn how Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, as well as in words. The students will read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently. The students will gather relevant information from	Key Ide 1. 2.	evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. Distinguish between relevant and extraneous
	RI.7.3 RI.7.5 RI.7.6 RI.7.8 RI.7.10 W.7.7 W.7.8	multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.	3. 4. 5. 6.	supporting details Summarize short and long non-fiction reading passages		
						nd Structure Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the

major sections contribute t
the whole and to the
development of the ideas.
Integration of Knowledge
1. Trace and evaluate the
argument and specific
claims in a text, assessing
whether the reasoning is
sound and the evidence is
relevant and sufficient to
support the claims.
2. Analyze and reflect on how
two or more authors writin
about the same topic shape
their presentations of key
information by emphasizing
different evidence or
advancing different
interpretations of facts.
Production and Distribution of
Writing
1. Formulate a research
question relevant to a topic
2. Write a claim/thesis
statement appropriate to
research

				 Provide adequate supporting detail for each main idea Use formal style Explain a topic by using specific language Write a concluding statement/ section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
				 Research to Build and Present Knowledge Conduct short research projects to answer a question Assess the credibility and accuracy of a source Gather relevant information from multiple sources using effective search terms Paraphrase, quote, and/ or cite information in order to avoid plagiarism
Unit 5 : Short Stories: Fiction vs Nonfiction (Barrio	March (2 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R3 NJSLSA.W.1	 The students will analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop 	Key Ideas and Details: 1. Cite several pieces of textual

Boy <i>and</i> A Day's Wait (paired texts); Bear Boy <i>and</i> Rikki Tikki Tavi (paired texts)	NJSLSA.W.9 Secondary Standa RI.7.1 RI.7.3 RI.7.5 RI.7.6 RI.7.8 RI.7.10 W.7.2	s: and interact over the course of a text. 2. The students will draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. 2. Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text. 3. Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).
		Craft and Structure:
		 Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text. Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others. Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing

					 whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims. 4. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: 5. Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period as a means of understanding how authors of fiction use or alter history.
Unit 6: Night (novel by Elie Wiesel) NewsELA Articles	March-April (5 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R.3 NJSLSA.W.2 Secondary Standards: RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.7 RI.7.6	and analyze of a text an developed novel. 2. The studen complex ide information accurately t	throughout the ts will convey eas and n clearly and through organization, and	

			Craft and Structure 1. Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author
			and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
			 Compare and contrast a text to an audio, video, or multimedia version of the text, analyzing each medium's portrayal of the subject (e.g., how the delivery of a speech affects the impact of the words).
Unit 7: Mystery Literature Circles (possible novels: And Then There Were None by A. Christie, The Orient Express by A. Christie, I Know What You Did Last Summer by L. Duncan, Killing Mr. Griffin by L. Duncan)	May (4 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLS.SL.1 Secondary Standards: SL.7.1 SL.7.3	 Comprehension and Collaboration Come prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion. Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress

			toward specific goals a deadlines, and define individual roles as need 3. Pose questions that eli elaboration and respon others' questions and comments with relevan observations and ideas bring the discussion ba topic as needed. 4. Acknowledge new information expressed others and, when warranted, modify the views.	ded. cit nd to nt s that nck on by
Unit 8: Poetry	June (2 weeks)	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R4 NJSLSAW.7.3 Secondary Standards: RL.7.1. RL.7.4 RL.7.5	 The students interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. The students will use precise language and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey Key Ideas and Details Identify elements of a Identify setting, mood, theme of a poem Make inferences based evidence from text Identify speaker's motify strategies (use symbols annotate) 	and I on ives s and

experiences and events. 7. Summarize/ paraphrase short and long reading passages
8. Identify figurative language
9. Interpret symbolism
Craft and Structure
1. Identify and label rhyme scheme
2. Analyze how a poem's structure contributes to its meaning
3. Use context clues to define vocabulary
4. Recognize and interpret connotative meaning
5. Recognize and interpret words with multiple meanings
6. Identify and interpret figurative language
7. Distinguish between literal and figurative meaning
8. Identify literary devices and
their effect on the overall
tone of the poem
Integration of Knowledge

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			1.	Compare and contrast
				fictional characters
			2.	Analyze and compare poems
				with similar themes
			Text Ty	pes and Purpose
			1.	Use precise words and
				phrases, relevant descriptive
				details, and sensory
				language
			2.	Production and Distribution
				of Writing
			3.	Write poems following using
				the structure/format
				(narrative poems, lyric
				poems, limericks, haiku, etc)
			4.	Incorporate figurative
				language and literary
				devices into writing
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	Instructional Unit Map		
Course Title: Accelerated English Language Arts 7th			
Be Yourself		Start Date:	September

Unit Title			Length of 3 weeks Unit:
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. NJSLSA.R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and	Learning Goals	 The students will be able to read literature and be able to make inferences and understand central ideas. The students will understand and be able to write literary analysis pieces.
	analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. NJSLSA.W.1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid		

reasoning and relevant		
and sufficient evidence.		
Secondary Standards:		
RL.7.1		
Cite several pieces of		
textual evidence and make		
relevant connections to		
support analysis of what		
the text says explicitly as		
well as inferences drawn		
from the text.		
RL.7.2		
Determine a theme or		
central idea of a text and		
analyze its development		
over the course of the		
text; provide an objective		
summary of the text.		
RL.7.3		
Analyze how particular		
elements of a story or		
drama interact (e.g., how		
setting shapes the		
characters or plot).		

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	RL.7.4		
	Determine the meaning of		
	words and phrases as they		
	are used in a text,		
	including figurative and		
	connotative meanings;		
	analyze the impact of		
	rhymes and other		
	repetitions of sounds (e.g.,		
	alliteration) on a specific		
	verse or stanza of a poem		
	or section of a story or		
	drama.		
	L.7.5		
	W.7.1c		
	Use words, phrases, and		
	clauses to create cohesion		
	and clarify the		
	relationships among		
	claim(s), reasons, and		
	evidence		
	W.7.1e		
	Provide a concluding		
	statement or section that		
	follows from and supports		
	the argument presented.		

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W.7.2b		
Develop the topic with		
relevant facts, definitions,		
concrete details,		
quotations, or other		
information and examples.		
W.7.2c		
Use appropriate		
transitions to create		
cohesion and clarify the		
relationships among ideas		
and concepts.		
W.7.2d		
Use precise language and		
domain-specific		
vocabulary to inform		
about or explain the topic.		
W.7.4		
Produce clear and		
coherent writing in which		
the development,		
organization, voice and		
style are appropriate to		
task, purpose, and		
audience.		

	 L.7.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. L.7.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. 		
Essential Questions	What components make	ements of a story contribute to a greater unde up an effective literary analysis? nd how can I find it in a text?	rstanding of the text?
Assessments How will we know they	Formative	Summative	Alternative
have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Quizzes Quizziz Kahoot IXL Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share 	 Literary Analysis Major Essay Be Yourself Test Flocab Test 	

	 Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Identifying central ic in short passages Smaller analysis essa Flocab exercises 			
Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	Pre-Assessment: Understanding thesi Understanding text			
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Graphic Organizers Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperative Scaffolding (especial Self-assessments via Conferencing Peer revision Small group instruct 	ly writing components) IXL		
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications /Accommodations) –	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underlin e key words in 	 Additional time 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language 	 Tiered assignments Extra texts

	both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary	 Restate information Preferential seating Review Shorten assignments for key concepts Graphic organizers Read passages of text aloud/as a class instead of individually 	 Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons 	• Flexible grouping
Differentiated Instructional Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	Access (Resources and/or Pr Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments	rocess)	Expression (Products and/or Pe	
Vocabulary	Tier 2: analyze, expand, devel transition	op, context, reflection,	format, explain, conclusion, intro	duction, write, specific,

Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 3: foreshadowing, compare, contrast, characterization, evidence, point of view, voice, author's purpose, literary devices, figurative language, mood, tone, dialogue, setting, irony, symbolism, conflict, plot, clause, claim				
Integration of Technology SAMR	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write their essays. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process A - Students write pieces together via a shared document S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 				
Interdisciplinary Connections <u>NJ Student Learning</u> <u>Standards</u>	 Social Studies: 6.3.4.D.1 Identify actions that are unfair or discriminatory, such as bullying, and propose solutions to address such actions. 6.1.4.D.16 Describe how stereotyping and prejudice can lead to conflict, using examples from the past and present. Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. 				
21 st Century Themes/Skills P21 Framework	Themes Global Awareness 	Skills Creativity Flexibility/Adaptivity 			
Resources/Materials	Core Texts: • Gary Soto Stories o "Broken Chain" <mark>0</mark>				

 "The Challenge"
 "Oranges"
 "Seventh Grade" 0
 Independent Choice Novels (Leveled)
Teacher Created Slideshow
 <u>https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1DR2e1zNsEx9i2YThlsyzO_uC5lBvgvMQmw7rFGCsg</u>
<u>/edit#slide=id.p</u> Gary Soto and the Chicano Culture <mark>0</mark>
 <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1C4JPreuVsthxjt0At0LBfheiuV6pbBLc/view</u> Short Story and
Literary Devices
Youtube videos:
 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tC1A96E2PAg</u> Looking for Literary America-Episode 11
Gary Soto <mark>0</mark>
 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WND1gVgPXk0</u> Soto interview - Broken Chain 0
 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jUT_WSavAC8</u> - Idioms
 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ls5Ew9PJcO8</u> - Idioms
 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIRTTxenUDw</u> - Idioms
Materials: graphic organizers, binders, notebooks, Chromebooks, pencils/pens, construction paper, colored
pencils, worksheets for grammar, worksheets for reading comprehension, highlighters

Instructional Unit Map					
Course Title: 7th Grade Language Arts					
	Edgar Allan Poe	Start Date:	October		

Unit Title			Length of 4 weeks Unit:
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. NJSLSA.R3 Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text. NJSLSA.R4. Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including	Learning Goals	 Unit: The students will be able to read literature and be able to reflect on how a fictional work tackles an historical event, person, and/or setting. The students will be able to create a research question in order to conduct short research projects. The students will understand and be able to write literary analysis pieces.
	determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. NJSLSARI7.1		

Cite several pieces of		
textual evidence and make		
relevant connections to		
support analysis of what		
the text says explicitly as		
well as inferences drawn		
from the text.		
NJSLSA.W.1		
Write arguments to		
support claims in an		
analysis of substantive		
topics or texts, using valid		
reasoning and relevant and		
sufficient evidence.		
NJSLSA.W2.		
Write		
informative/explanatory		
texts to examine and		
convey complex ideas and		
information clearly and		
accurately through the		
effective selection,		
organization, and analysis		
of content.		
NJSLSA.W7.		

Conduct short as well as	
more sustained research	
projects, utilizing an	
inquiry-based research	
process, based on focused	
questions, demonstrating	
understanding of the	
subject under	
investigation.	
Secondary Standards:	
RL.7.9.	
Compare, contrast and	
reflect on (e.g. practical	
knowledge,	
historical/cultural context,	
and background	
knowledge) a fictional	
portrayal of a time, place,	
or character and a	
historical account of the	
same period as a means of	
understanding how	
authors of fiction use or	
alter history.	
NJSLSA.W4.	

Produce clear and coherent		
writing in which the		
development, organization,		
and style are appropriate		
to task, purpose, and		
audience.		
NJSLSA.W5.		
Develop and strengthen		
writing as needed by		
planning, revising, editing,		
rewriting, or trying a new		
approach.		
NJSLSA.W8.		
Gather relevant		
information from multiple		
print and digital sources,		
assess the credibility and		
accuracy of each source,		
and integrate the		
information while avoiding		
plagiarism.		
W.7.2. A-F		
Write		
informative/explanatory		
texts to examine a topic		
and convey ideas,		

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concepts, and information		
through the selection,		
organization, and analysis		
of relevant content.		
A. Introduce a topic clearly,		
previewing what is to		
follow; organize ideas,		
concepts, and information,		
using text structures (e.g.,		
definition, classification,		
comparison/contrast,		
cause/effect, etc.) and text		
features (e.g., headings,		
graphics, and multimedia).		
B. Develop the topic with		
relevant facts, definitions,		
concrete details,		
quotations, or other		
information and examples.		
C. Use appropriate		
transitions to create		
cohesion and clarify the		
relationships among ideas		
and concepts.		

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	Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points.		
Essential Questions	 How does historical context/time period affect written work? What are the qualities of a "good" research question? How do I enhance my literary analysis writing? 		
Assessments How will we know they have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Formative Quizzes Quizzia Kahoot IXL Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Short research prompts Smaller analysis essays Flocab exercises 	 Summative Edgar Allan Poe Essay Edgar Allan Poe Test Flocab Test Research Prompt 	Alternative

Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	 Basic understanding of valid sources/how to best research Understanding of the components of a literary analysis essay 			
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Graphic Organizers Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperativ Scaffolding (especiall Self-assessments via Conferencing Peer revision Small group instructi 	ly writing components) IXL		
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
/Accommodations) – planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underline key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary Modeling 	 Additional time Restate information Preferential seating Review Shorten assignments for key concepts 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons 	 Tiered assignments Extra texts Flexible grouping

	 Read passa text aloud class inste indiv 	anizers d sages of ud/as a s ead of vidually	
Differentiated	Access (Resources and/or Process)	Expression (Products and/or Performance)	
Instructional Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments 	 Choice of research questions/assignment 	
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III	Tier 2: valid, credible, style, cite, context, explain, clarify, research, text, setting, analyze, character, dark, support, quote, point of view, structure, language, perspective		
words)	Tier 3: voice, Romanticism, catacomb, characterization, thesis, paraphrase, source, conflict/tension, claim, evidence, tone		
Integration of Technology SAMR	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write their essays. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process A - Students write pieces together via a shared document S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 		

Interdisciplinary Connections NJ Student Learning Standards	 Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP11: Use technology to enhance productivity. 			
21 st Century Themes/Skills P21 Framework	Themes	Skills		
	Global Awareness	 Information, Media, and Technology Skills 		
Resources/Materials	Core Texts:			
	Edgar Allan Poe short stories			
	 Independent Choice Reading (Leveled) 			
	Materials: literary analysis graphic organizers, research	graphic organizers, research notes, binders, notebooks,		
	Chromebooks, timer, pencils/pens, colored pencils, wo	rksheets for grammar, flocabulary worksheets, Edgar		
	Allan Poe reading comprehension worksheets, Edgar A	llan Poe notes		

	Instructional Unit Map		
Course Title: 7th Grade Langu	age Arts		
	Twist of Fate: A Christmas Carol & O'Henry Stories (i.e. The Gift of the Magi, After Twenty Years, Hey Come On Out, The Ransom of Red Chief)	Start Date:	November

Unit Title			Length of 5 weeks Unit:
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R5. Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole. NJSLSA.W3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. NJSLSA.W4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are	Learning Goals	 The students will be able to read literature (drama and short story) and be able to analyze how the structure of different genres of literature affects understanding. The students will understand and be able to write narrative pieces.

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	opriate to task,		
purpo	ose, and audience.		
	ndary Standards:		
RL.7.3	3		
Anal	yze how particular		
eleme	ents of a story or		
dram	a interact (e.g., how		
settin	ig shapes the		
chara	cters or plot).		
RL.7.6	6		
Anal	yze how an author		
	ops and contrasts the		
	s of view of different		
	cters or narrators in a		
text.			
RL.7.7	7		
Comp	pare and contrast a		
writte	en story, drama, or		
poem	n to its audio, filmed,		
	d, or multimedia		
versio	on, analyzing the		
	ts of techniques		
	ie to each medium		
	lighting, sound, color,		
	mera focus and		
angle	s in a film).		

RL.7.10		
By the end of the year		
read and comprehend		
literature, including		
stories, dramas, and		
poems at grade level		
text-complexity or above,		
scaffolding as needed.		
W.5		
Develop and strengthen		
writing as needed by		
planning, revising, editing,		
rewriting, or trying a new		
approach.		
W.7.3a		
Engage and orient the		
reader by establishing a		
context and point of view		
and introducing a narrator		
and/or characters;		
organize an event		
sequence that unfolds		
naturally and logically.		
W.7.3b		

Use narrative techniques,		
such as dialogue, pacing,		
and description, to		
develop experiences,		
events, and/or characters.		
W.7.3c		
Use a variety of transition		
words, phrases, and		
clauses to convey		
sequence and signal shifts		
from one time frame or		
setting to another.		
W.7.3d		
Use precise words and		
phrases, relevant		
descriptive details, and		
sensory language to		
capture the action and		
convey experiences and		
events.		
W.7.3e		
Provide a conclusion that		
follows from and reflects		
on the narrated		
experiences or events.		

	 L.7.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. L.7.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. 		
Essential Questions		ve? components to create a quality narrative? ne overall impact a work has?	
Assessments How will we know they	Formative	Summative	Alternative
have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Quizzes Quizzia Kahoot IXL Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share 	 Major narrative essay Test on short stories 	 Narrative works cafe presentations

	 Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Reading comprehension Worksheets Smaller narrative writes Flocab exercises 			
Unit Pre-Assessment(s)	What defines a narrative			
What do they already	Basic dialogue tags and structure			
know?	Experience reading various types of fiction			
Instructional	Graphic Organizers			
Strategies/Student	Think, Pair, Share			
Activities	Modeling			
	Direct instruction			
	Grouping/cooperative learning			
	Scaffolding (especially writing components)			
	Self-assessments via IXL			
	Conferencing			
	Peer revision			
	Small group instruction			
	Note taking			

Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
/Accommodations) – planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underli ne key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary 	 Additional time Restate informatio n Preferentia I seating Review Shorten assignmen ts for key concepts Graphic organizers Read passages of text aloud/as a class instead of individuall y 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons 	 Tiered assignments Extra texts Flexible grouping
Differentiated Instructional Methods:	Access (Resources and/or F	Process)	Expression (Products and/or Per	formance)

(Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments 	 Narrative topic is determined by self/choice 			
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 2: summarize, text, details, conflicts, symbol, narrator, style, setting, dialogue, essay, story, author Tier 3: infer, foreshadowing, exposition, denouement, climax, flat character, round character, omniscient, irony, objective, sensory, transition				
Integration of Technology SAMR	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write their essays. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process A - Students write pieces together via a shared document S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 				
Interdisciplinary Connections <u>NJ Student Learning</u> <u>Standards</u>	Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP11: Use technology to enhance productivity.				
21 st Century Themes/Skills P21 Framework	Themes Skills				

	Global Awareness	Life and Career Skills
Resources/Materials	 Core Texts: A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens "The Gift of the Magi," "After Twenty Years," "I O'Henry Independent Choice Reading (Leveled) Materials: graphic organizers, narrative writing notes, construction paper, colored pencils, worksheets for ginghighters 	

Instructional Unit Map					
Course Title: 7th Grade Language Arts					
Unit Title	Power of Youth: Warriors Do Patillo Beals) NewsELA Articles	on't Cry (novel by N	lelba	Start Date: Length of Unit:	January 8 weeks
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R7. Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually	Learning Goals	•	content presented i including visually, as The students will re	how to integrate and evaluate n diverse media and formats, s well as in words. ad and comprehend complex literary exts independently and proficiently.

and quantitatively, as well as in words. NJSLSA.R8. Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence. NJSLSA.R9 Analyze and reflect on how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take NJSLSA.R10 Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently with scaffolding as needed.	 The students will gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.

NJSLSA.W.1		
Write arguments to		
support claims in an		
analysis of substantive		
topics or texts, using valid		
reasoning and relevant		
and sufficient evidence.		
NJSLSA.W.7		
Conduct short as well as		
more sustained research		
projects, utilizing an		
inquiry-based research		
process, based on focused		
questions, demonstrating		
understanding of the		
subject under		
investigation.		
NJSLSA.W.8		
Gather relevant		
information from multiple		
print and digital sources,		
assess the credibility and		
accuracy of each source,		
and integrate the		
information while avoiding		
plagiarism.		

Secondary Standards:		
RI.7.1		
Cite several pieces of		
textual evidence and make		
relevant connections to		
support analysis of what		
the text says explicitly as		
well as inferences drawn		
from the text.		
RI.7.3		
Analyze the interactions		
between individuals,		
events, and ideas in a text		
(e.g., how ideas influence		
individuals or events, or		
how individuals influence		
ideas or events).		
RI.7.5		
Analyze the structure an		
author uses to organize a		
text, including how the		
major sections contribute		
to the whole and to the		
development of the ideas.		
RI.7.6		

Determine an author's		
point of view or purpose in		
a text and analyze how the		
author distinguishes his or		
her position from that of		
others.		
RI.7.8		
Trace and evaluate the		
argument and specific		
claims in a text, assessing		
whether the reasoning is		
sound and the evidence is		
relevant and sufficient to		
support the claims.		
RI.7.10		
By the end of the year		
read and comprehend		
literary nonfiction at grade		
level text-complexity or		
above, with scaffolding as		
needed.		
W.7.7		
Conduct short research		
projects to answer a		
question, drawing on		
several sources and		

	generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation W.7.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.		
Essential Questions	 What makes a source cro How can I support my as 		
Assessments How will we know they	Formative	Summative	Alternative
have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Quizzes Kahoot IXL Graphic Organizers 	 Warriors Don't Cry Test Flocab Test Research Prompt 	 Reader's Theater Presentations

	 Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Short research prompts Smaller analysis essays Flocab exercises 		
Unit Pre-Assessment(s)	KWL+ Activity and Collaborative Discussions		
What do they already know?	How to find credible sources		
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Graphic Organizers Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperative learning Scaffolding (especially writing components) Self-assessments via IXL Conferencing Peer revision Small group instruction 		

Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
/Accommodations) – planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underlin e key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary Modeling Simplify reading comprehension questions for core understanding 	 Additional time Restate information Preferential seating Review Shorten assignments for key concepts Graphic organizers Read passages of text aloud/as a class instead of individually Tier NewsELA reading 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons Tier NewsELA level 	 Tiered NewsELA texts Flexible grouping
Differentiated Instructional Methods:	Access (Resources and/or F	Process)	Expression (Products and/or Per	formance)

(Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Choice of reading selections Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments Reading responses to independent texts Projects - creative project/display Choice menus Choice menus 		
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 2: valid, credible, purpose, evidence, context, research, sources, current, decipher Tier 3: cite, accolade, adversary, benevolent, brusquely, disseminate, dither, edict, effigy, fracas, gabardine, hostler, kowtow, melee, poultice, tarry		
Integration of Technology <u>SAMR</u>	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write their essays. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process A - Students write pieces together via a shared document S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 		
Interdisciplinary Connections <u>NJ Student Learning</u> <u>Standards</u>	Social Studies: 6.1.4.A.9 Compare and contrast responses of individuals and groups, past and present, to violations of fundamental rights (e.g., fairness, civil rights, human rights). 6.3.4.D.1 Identify actions that are unfair or discriminatory, such as bullying, and propose solutions to address such actions. 6.1.4.D.16 Describe how stereotyping and prejudice can lead to conflict, using examples from the past and present. Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP11: Use technology to enhance productivity.		

21st Century Themes/Skills P21 Framework	Themes	Skills	
P21 Flamework	Global Awareness	 Information, Media, and Technology Skills Creativity and Innovation 	
Resources/Materials	Texts: Warriors Don't Cry by Melba Patillo Beals NewsELA articles Independent Choice Reading Materials: binders, notebooks, Chromebooks, timer, pencils/pens, colored pencils, worksheets for grammar,		

Instructional Unit Map				
Course Title: 7th Grade Language Arts				
	Short Stories: Fiction vs. Nor	nfiction	Start Date: March	
Unit Title			Length of 2 weeks Unit:	
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R3 Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.	Learning Goals	 The students will analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text. The students will draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. 	

NJSLSA.W.1	
Write arguments to	
support claims in an	
analysis of substantive	
topics or texts, using valid	
reasoning and relevant	
and sufficient evidence.	
NJSLSA.W.9	
Draw evidence from	
literary or informational	
texts to support analysis,	
reflection, and research.	
Secondary Standards:	
RI.7.1	
Cite several pieces of	
textual evidence and make	
relevant connections to	
support analysis of what	
the text says explicitly as	
well as inferences drawn	
from the text.	
RI.7.3	
Analyze the interactions	
between individuals,	
events, and ideas in a text	

(e.g., how ideas influence		
individuals or events, or		
how individuals influence		
ideas or events).		
RI.7.5		
Analyze the structure an		
author uses to organize a		
text, including how the		
major sections contribute		
to the whole and to the		
development of the ideas.		
RI.7.6		
Determine an author's		
point of view or purpose in		
a text and analyze how the		
author distinguishes his or		
her position from that of		
others.		
RI.7.8		
Trace and evaluate the		
argument and specific		
claims in a text, assessing		
whether the reasoning is		
sound and the evidence is		
relevant and sufficient to		
support the claims.		

	RI.7.10 By the end of the year read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above, with scaffolding as needed. W.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection,		
	organization, and analysis of content.		
Essential Questions	 How do fictional text fe How do stories develop 	 n non fiction? and themes in different ways?	
Assessments How will we know they	Formative	Summative	Alternative
have gained the knowledge & skills?	KahootIXLPlot Diagrams	t Story Analysis y Responses	

	 Reading comprehensi questions (RACE TDQ' Think/Pair/Share Exit Tickets Short research promp Smaller analysis essay Flocabulary exercises 	's) its		
Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	Basic non-fiction tex	xt features/differences be	etween fiction and non-fiction	
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperati Self-assessments via Peer revision Small group instruct 	a IXL		
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
/Accommodations) – planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underlin e key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time 	 Additional time Restate information Preferential seating Graphic organizers 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments 	 Tiered assignments Flexible grouping

	 Pre-teach vocabulary Modeling Simplify reading comprehension questions for core understanding 	 Read passages of text aloud/as a class instead of individually 	 Mini-lessons 	
Differentiated Instructional Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	Access (Resources and/or P Choice of reading select Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments		 Expression (Products and/o Reading responses to in Projects - creative proje Choice menus 	ndependent texts
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words) Integration of Technology SAMR	Tier 3: internal conflict, exte claim, contradict, sensory la	ernal conflict, exposition anguage ot used as review source essments	n, fiction, text, development, p n, flat character, round charact es	
Interdisciplinary Connections NJ Student Learning Standards		oblems individually and co	l use digital tools to access, mana ollaborate and to create and com employee.	

	 CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP11: Use technology to enhance productivity. 				
21 st Century Themes/Skills	Themes	Skills			
P21 Framework	Global AwarenessEnvironmental Literacy	 Information, Media, and Technology Skills Creativity and Innovation 			
Resources/Materials	Core Texts: • "Rikki Tikki Tavi" by Rudyard Kipling • "Barrio Boy" by Ernesto Galarza • "A Day's Wait" by Ernest Hemingway • "Bear Boy" by Joseph Bruchac • Independent Choice Novels Materials: binders, notebooks, Chromebooks, timer, p flocabulary worksheets, reading comprehension quest	pencils/pens, colored pencils, worksheets for grammar,			

	Instructional Unit Map		
Course Title: 7th Grade Langu	age Arts		
	Night by Eile Wiesel	Start Date:	March
Unit Title		Length of Unit:	5 weeks

Content Standards	Power Standards:	Learning	The students will determine and analyze the central
What do we want them to	NJSLSA.R.3	Goals	idea of a text and how it is developed throughout the
know, understand, & do?	Analyze how and why		novel.
	individuals, events, and		
	ideas develop and interact		• The students will convey complex ideas and information
	over the course of a text.		clearly and accurately through selection, organization, and analysis of content.
	NJSLSA.W.2		
	Write		
	informative/explanatory		
	texts to examine and		
	convey complex ideas and		
	information clearly and		
	accurately through the		
	effective selection,		
	organization, and analysis		
	of content.		
	Secondary Standards:		
	RI.7.1. Cite several pieces		
	of textual evidence and		
	make relevant connections		
	to support analysis of what		
	the text says explicitly as		
	well as inferences drawn		
	from the text.		
	RI.7.2		

	ne two or more		
central i	deas in a text and		
analyze	their development		
over the	e course of the		
text; pro	ovide an objective		
summar	ry of the text		
RI.7.7			
Compar	e and contrast a		
text to a	in audio, video, or		
multime	edia version of the		
text, and	alyzing each		
medium	's portrayal of the		
subject	(e.g., how the		
delivery	of a speech		
affects t	he impact of the		
words).			
RI.7.6			
Determi	ne an author's		
point of	view or purpose in		
a text ar	nd analyze how the		
author o	distinguishes his or		
her posi	tion from that of		
others			
RI.7.9.			
Analyze	and reflect on		
(e.g. pra	ctical knowledge,		

	issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.		
Essential Questions	• How did the Holocaust aff	fect individuals during WWII? fect the world as we know it today? camps, and how were individuals treated wi	ithin them?
Assessments	Formative	Summative	Alternative
How will we know they have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Entrance Tickets Kahoot IXL Research based assessments Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Smaller analysis essays Flocab exercises Quizzes 	 Night/Holocaust Major Essay Night unit test 	 Research project and presentations Reflection journaling
Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	 How to analyze a text for s 	specific key ideas/elements	
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Research based learning Think, Pair, Share Modeling 		

	 Direct instruction Grouping/cooperati Self-assessments via Conferencing Small group instruct 	a IXL		
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
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Differentiated Instructional	Access (Resources and/or I	Process)	Expression (Products and/or Per	formance)

Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Choice of reading selections Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments 	 Reading responses to independent texts Projects - creative project/display Choice menus 		
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 2: analyze, character, plot, time period, setting, development, write, explanatory, informative, starvation, disease Tier 3: Hitler, Auschwitz, Buchenwald, concentration camp, anti-semitism, context, Yiddish, orthodox, gestapok, ghetto, liberation			
Integration of Technology <u>SAMR</u>	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write their essays. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 			
Interdisciplinary Connections <u>NJ Student Learning</u> Standards	Social Studies: 6.1.4.D.16 Describe how stereotyping and prejudice can lead to conflict, using examples from the past and present. Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation.			
21 st Century Themes/Skills	Themes	Skills		

P21 Framework	Global Awareness	 Flexibility and Adaptivity Social and Cross Cultural Skills
Resources/Materials	 Core Texts: <i>Night</i> by Elie Wiesel Independent Choice Novels (Leveled) NewsELA articles United States Holocaust Memorial Musuem W Materials: graphic organizers, binders, notebooks, Chropencils, worksheets for grammar, worksheets for readi 	omebooks, pencils/pens, construction paper, colored

	Instructional Unit Map					
Course Title: 7th Grade Langu	age Arts					
	Mystery Literature Circles		Start Date:	Мау		
Unit Title			Length of Unit:	4 weeks		
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLS.SL.7.1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on	Learning Goals	comment style, and • Understar	n peers to analyze various short texts, ing on and understanding structure, literary components nd what defines the mystery genre to approach it		

grade 7 topics, texts, and	
issues, building on others'	
ideas and expressing their	
own clearly.	
A. Come to discussions	
prepared, having read or	
researched material under	
study; explicitly draw on	
that preparation by	
referring to evidence on	
the topic, text, or issue to	
probe and reflect on ideas	
under discussion.	
B. Follow rules for	
collegial discussions, track	
progress toward specific	
goals and deadlines, and	
define individual roles as	
needed.	
C. Pose questions that	
elicit elaboration and	
respond to others'	
questions and comments	
with relevant observations	
and ideas that bring the	
discussion back on topic as	
needed.	
D. Acknowledge new	
information expressed by	

others and, when		
warranted, modify their		
own views.		
NJSLSA.R1.		
Read closely to determine		
what the text says		
explicitly and to make		
logical inferences and		
relevant connections from		
it; cite specific textual		
evidence when writing or		
speaking to support		
conclusions drawn from		
the text		
Secondary Standards:		
NJSLSA.R2.		
Determine central ideas or		
themes of a text and		
analyze their		
development; summarize		
the key supporting details		
and ideas.		
NJSLSA.R4.		
103634.114.		

Interpret words and		
phrases as they are used in		
a text, including		
determining technical,		
connotative, and figurative		
meanings, and analyze		
how specific word choices		
shape meaning or tone.		
NJSLSA.R5. Analyze the		
structure of texts,		
including how specific		
sentences, paragraphs,		
and larger portions of the		
text (e.g., a section,		
chapter, scene, or stanza)		
relate to each other and		
the whole		
NJSLSA.R6.		
Assess how point of view		
or purpose shapes the		
content and style of a text.		
NJSLSA.SL.1.		
Prepare for and participate		
effectively in a range of		
conversations and		
collaborations with diverse		

	partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively. NJSLA. SL.7.3. Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.		
Essential Questions Assessments How will we know they have gained the knowledge & skills?	 How do mystery stories dij What are the major traits Formative Entrance Tickets Kahoot IXL Research based assessments Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets 	ffer from other types of fiction? that define a mystery? Summative • Unit Assessment	Alternative Research project and presentations Reflection journaling
	 Smaller analysis essays Flocab exercises Quizzes 		

Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	 KWL+ Activity and Reflection Journaling Pre-Assessment: How to analyze a text for specific key ideas/elements 					
Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Research based learning Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperative learning Self-assessments via IXL Conferencing Small group instruction 					
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications /Accommodations) – planned for prior to instruction	 English Language Learners Graphic organizers Highlight/underlin e key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary 	Special Education Learners	 Struggling Learners Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons 	 Tiered assignments Extra texts Flexible grouping 		

		text aloud/as a class instead of individually		
Differentiated	Access (Resources and/or P	Process)	Expression (Products and/or P	erformance)
Instructional Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Choice of reading select Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments 	ctions	 Reading responses to inde Projects - creative project, Choice menus 	
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 2: mystery, plot, character, setting, story, develop, analyze, answer, detective, crime Tier 3: protagonist, antagonist, climax, characterization, flash-forward, flashback, genre, suspects,			
Integration of Technology SAMR	 S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 			
Interdisciplinary Connections NJ Student Learning	Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge.			
<u>Standards</u>	CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason			

	CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation.			
21 st Century Themes/Skills	Themes	Skills		
P21 Framework	Global Awareness	 Communication and Collaboration Information, Media, and Technology 		
Resources/Materials	 Texts: And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie The Orient Express by Agatha Christie I Know What You Did Last Summer byL. Duncan Killing Mr. Griffin by L. Duncan Independent Reading Novels Materials: graphic organizers, binders, notebooks, Chromebooks, pencils/pens, construction paper, colored pencils, worksheets for grammar, worksheets for reading comprehension, highlighters			

Instructional Unit Map					
Course Title: 7th Grade Language Arts					
	Poetry		Star	t Date:	June
Unit Title			Leng Unit	gth of t:	2 weeks
Content Standards What do we want them to know, understand, & do?	Power Standards: NJSLSA.R.3	Learning Goals		•	ret words and phrases as they are ding determining technical,

Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text NJSLSA.R4. Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.	 connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone. Students will use precise language and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
Write informative/explanatory	
texts to examine and	
convey complex ideas and	
information clearly and	
accurately through the	
effective selection,	
organization, and analysis of content.	
or content.	
Secondary Standards:	
RL.7.1.	

Cite several pieces of	
textual evidence and make	
relevant connections to	
support analysis of what	
the text says explicitly as	
well as inferences drawn	
from the text.	
RL.7.2.	
Determine a theme or	
central idea of a text and	
analyze its development	
over the course of the	
text; provide an objective	
summary of the text.	
RL.7.7.	
Compare and contrast a	
written story, drama, or	
poem to its audio, filmed,	
staged, or multimedia	
version, analyzing the	
effects of techniques	
unique to each medium	
(e.g., lighting, sound, color,	
or camera focus and	
angles in a film).	
RL.7.6.	

Essential Questions		Inguage to change their ideas and convey	
Assessments	Formative	try? How does that creation differ from di Summative	Alternative
How will we know they have gained the knowledge & skills?	 Quizzia Kahoot IXL Graphic Organizers Peer Conferencing Think/Pair/Share Teacher/Student Conferencing Exit Tickets Smaller poem analysis Flocab exercises Quizzes 	Personal Poem	
Unit Pre-Assessment(s) What do they already know?	 Pre-Assessment: Figurativ 	e Language terminology and poetry respo	nse

Instructional Strategies/Student Activities	 Research based lear Think, Pair, Share Modeling Direct instruction Grouping/cooperati Self-assessments via Conferencing Small group instruct 	ve learning h IXL		
Instructional/Assessment Scaffolds (Modifications /Accommodations) –	English Language Learners	Special Education Learners	Struggling Learners	Advanced Learners
planned for prior to instruction	 Graphic organizers Highlight/underlin e key words in both directions and texts Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Shorten assignment Pre-teach vocabulary 	 Additional time Restate information Preferential seating Review Shorten assignments for key concepts Graphic organizers Read passages of text aloud/as a class instead of individually 	 Highlight/underline key words in directions Simplify language Visual/verbal cues Additional time Allow retakes/redos Graphic organizers Chunk assignments Mini-lessons 	 Extra texts Flexible grouping

Differentiated	Access (Resources and/or Process)	Expression (Products and/or Performance)	
Instructional Methods: (Multiple means for students to access content and multiple modes for student to express understanding)	 Choice of reading selections Conferencing Mini-lessons Stations Multiple texts Flexible grouping Tiered assignments 	 Reading responses to independent texts Projects - creative project/display Choice menus (individual poems) 	
Vocabulary Highlight key vocabulary (both Tier II and Tier III words)	Tier 2: poem, analyze, rhyme, create, write, read, conclude, shape, style, voice Tier 3: stanza, figurative language, simile, metaphor, onomatopoeia, rhyme scheme, point of view, speaker, meter, sensory language		
Integration of Technology SAMR	 S and A - students use GoogleDocs to write. Students receive feedback on document and conference with teacher via comments throughout the writing process S - Quizziz and Kahoot used as review sources A - GoogleForms Assessments A - IXL for tiering homework assignments 		
Interdisciplinary Connections <u>NJ Student Learning</u> <u>Standards</u>	Technology: 8.1 Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. CRP1: Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2: Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP4: Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason CRP6: Demonstrate creativity and innovation.		
21 st Century Themes/Skills P21 Framework	Themes	Skills	

	Global Awareness	 Flexibility and Adaptivity Social and Cross Cultural Skills
Resources/Materials	 Core Texts: Various poems Independent Reading Novels (Leveled) Materials: graphic organizers, binders, notebooks, Chromebooks, pencils/pens, construction paper, colored pencils, worksheets for grammar, worksheets for reading comprehension, highlighters, poem print-outs 	