

Subject: English Language Arts

Grade Level: 7

Unit	Pacing	Unit of Study/Title	Enduring Understanding	Essential Questions
1 Fictional Narrative	1 st Quarter	Fictional Narrative Suggested Reading: <i>Seventh Grade</i>	Environment and perspective change as surroundings change.	Does an individual’s perspective, place, and connection in society change based on surroundings and circumstances? What causes an individual to change? What are the effects of the change?
2 Response to Literature	2 nd Quarter	Response to Literature Suggested reading: <i>Broken Chain, Oranges, After Twenty Years, Tangerine, Searching for Candlestick Park, The Third Wish</i>	I take responsibility for my choices as evinced by the consequences that I now endure. A significant part of identity is influenced by both external factors and personal choice. Personal choices lead to consequences beyond the individual, affecting family and society.	Identity: Who am I in society? What are the external influences that affect my choices (including geography, advertising, peers, weather, society, culture, family, media, economics, faith, law)? What are the consequences of my choices (personal, family, community, legal)?
3 Argument	3 rd Quarter	Be Persuasive Suggested Reading: <i>Barrio Boy, The Call of the Wild</i>	Our identity and tenets shape our need to pursue a mission.	What drives us to undertake a mission?
4 Informational Text	4 th Quarter	Cause and Effect Compare, Contrast, Cite Suggested Reading: <i>I, Too Sing America, The Giver</i>	A just society stands for principles shaped by human interaction and honors the rights of the individual and allows for the continuity of the culture.	What should be included as principles of a just society? Why is it essential to defend human rights? What are the challenges of human interaction?