

# Middle School English Language Development Units of Study

## NEWCOMER LANGUAGE ARTS

### Unit 1-6:

For students who are newest to the United States and/or in the earliest stages of learning English as an additional language. This course assists students in acquiring the basic skills of listening, speaking, reading, writing, representing, and viewing in English. Immediate needs of communication and cultural adaptation are met in a setting that nurtures and refines beginning language acquisition. Social and instructional language are a focus in the course.

## TRANSITIONAL LANGUAGE ARTS

**Unit 1:**  
Reading Fiction  
and Personal  
Narrative Writing

**Unit 2:**  
Reading Fiction  
and Writing  
Literary Essay

**Unit 3:**  
Reading Larger  
Works of Fiction  
and Writing  
About Reading

**Unit 4:**  
Non-Fiction  
Reading and  
Informational  
Writing

**Unit 5:**  
Social Issues  
Book Clubs  
and Research  
Projects

**Unit 6:**  
Poetry or  
Historical  
Fiction

## BRIDGES TO LANGUAGE ARTS

**Unit 1:**  
Reading &  
Writing Launch

**Unit 2:**  
Narrative  
Reading  
and Writing

**Unit 3:**  
Fantasy  
Reading  
and Writing

**Unit 4:**  
Non-Fiction  
Reading  
and Writing

**Unit 5:**  
Historical Fiction  
Reading and  
Multi-Genre  
Writing

**Unit 6:**  
Social Issues  
Book Clubs  
and Research  
Projects