



7th Grade ELA – Q4 Pacing Guide for 2023 - 2024

Unit 5: “Facing Adversity” EQ: How do we overcome obstacles?

Week	Texts	Key Reading Standards
Weeks 1 - 2: March 18 – March 22 March 25 – March 29	<i>Pearson myPerspectives</i> , whole group learning Unit 5 Introductions and Launch Text “Against the Odds” (informational text) The Dust Bowl (media: video) <i>from</i> The Grapes of Wrath (novel excerpt)	Reading Informational 7.RI.KID.2 Reading Literature 7.RL.KID.1 7.RL.KID.2 7.RL.KID.3
Weeks 3 - 4: April 1 – April 5 April 8 – April 12	Argumentative Unit: Participation Awards “Why Participation Trophies are Good for Kids” “The Truth Behind the Shiny Participation Trophy” “In Youth Sports, Participation Trophies Send a Powerful Message” 7.W.TTP.1 (argumentative essay) <i>~Placeholder for re-teaching needs based on data throughout the year.~</i>	Reading Informational 7.RI.CS.4 7.RI.CS.5 7.RI.CS.6 7.RI.IKI.8 7.RI.IKI.9 Reading Literature
Weeks 5 – 7: April 15 – April 19 April 22 – April 26 April 29 – May 3 TCAP window TBA	<i>Pearson myPerspectives</i> , small group learning “A Work in Progress” (personal narrative) <i>from</i> The Story of My Life (autobiography excerpt) How Helen Keller Learned to Talk (media: interview) A Young Tinkerer Builds a Windmill, Electrifying a Nation (news article)	Reading Informational 7.RI.KID.3 7.RI.CS.4 7.RI.CS.5 7.RI.CS.6 Reading Literature
Weeks 8 – 10: May 6 – May 10 May 13 – May 17 May 20 – May 22	<i>Pearson myPerspectives</i> , independent learning “The Girl Who Fell from the Sky” (personal narrative) “Four Skinny Trees” <i>from</i> <i>The House on Mango Street</i> (novel excerpt) Rikki-tikki-tavi (Rudyard Kipling) <i>from</i> <i>Facing the Lion: Growing up Maasai on the African Savanna</i> (memoir) <u>Savvas Novel Options:</u> <i>Letters from Rifka</i> <i>No Promises in the Wind</i> <i>The Clay Marble</i>	Independent learning skills are TBD by teacher depending on student needs

There are no CFAs scheduled this quarter to allow for embedded TCAP practice throughout weeks 1 – 5.