



8th Grade ELA – Q1 Pacing Guide for 2023 - 2024

Unit 1: Rites of Passage

EQ: What are some of the milestones on the path to growing up?

Week	Texts	Key Reading Standards
Weeks 1 – 2: Aug. 2 – Aug. 4 Aug. 7 – Aug. 11	School policies, procedures, orientations, laptops, etc. Class, team, and school expectations Expectations for Annotations Beginning of Year Diagnostic	
Week 3: Aug. 14 – Aug. 18	WRITING BOOT CAMP “The Inventor’s Children” and “The Time Camille Stole a Car” review writing expectations student choice/writing diagnostic	
Weeks 4 – 5: Aug. 21 – Aug. 25 Aug. 28 – Sept. 1	<i>Pearson myPerspectives</i> , Unit 1: Whole Class Learning Launch Text: <i>need new narrative reflection</i> “The Medicine Bag” (short story) “Apache Girl’s Rite of Passage” (video) Writing Focus: 8.W.TTP.3 (NF narrative)	Reading Informational 8.RI.KID.2 8.RI.IKI.7 Reading Literature 8.RL.KID.2 8.RL.CS.6
Week 6 : Sept. 4* - Sept. 8	<i>Pearson myPerspectives</i> , Unit 1: Small Group Learning “Hanging Fire” and “Translating Grandfather’s House” (poetry) “The Setting Sun and the Rolling World” (short story) “Cub Pilot on the Mississippi” (memoir) “from <i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i> ” (autobiography) “Childhood and Poetry” (reflective essay) “The Winter Hibiscus” (short story)	Reading Informational 8.RI.KID.2 8.RI.CS.4 8.RI.CS.6 Reading Literature 8.RL.CS.4 8.RL.CS.5 8.RL.CS.6
Weeks 7 – 10: Sept. 11 – Sept. 15 Sept. 18* – Sept. 22 Sept. 25 – Sept. 29 Oct. 2 – Oct. 6	<u>Novel Study</u> <i>The Crossover</i> (verse) Formative Assessments embedded with novel study; <i>Crossover</i> unit test Checkpoint Window (Sept. 25 – Oct. 6)	Reading Informational 8.RI.RRTC.10 Reading Literature 8.RL.RRTC.10