Grade: Seventh

Course: Language Arts

Unit//Topic	Length/Pacing	CCSS	Essential & Guiding Questions
Content • Read and understand myths and poems • Read and write informational text • Look at how and why an author chooses specific words and/or the pattern in which the text is written • Speaking within a group and participating in class discussions	9 Weeks	RL7.1 RL7.3 RL7.4 RL7.5 RI7.2 RI7.6 RI7.9 L7.2a L7.4a L7.4b L7.4c SL7.1 SL7.4 W7.2a W7.2b	 What does it mean for people to face challenges fearlessly? How is failing in the attempt part of the challenge?
 Skills Identify, analyze and make inferences about the elements of a plot in a short story Analyze and compare news stories about the same event from various sources Analyze the elements of a myth and to determine two or more themes 	 Exit Tickets Student self scoring and evaluation Post Unit assessment Close observations of student work and group dynamics Student conferences 	Summative Assessments • Rubric for Writing Assignments • Rubric for Body Biography	 Activities/Strategies Writing Activity: Graphic Comic Speaking Activity: Presentation of Body Biography Performance Task: Informational Writing

Materials/Resources/Equipment **Key Vocabulary Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Text** (In-class) Aspect • Rising/Falling Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse (In-class) Action • Simile Myhrw.com • Cultural **Scholastic** Evaluate Evidence **Library of Congress** Resource Climax Text Resolution Plot **Exposition** Setting Conflict (Internal/External) **Explicit Standards Objectives**

- **RL7.1** Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
- **RL7.2** 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.
- **RL7.3** Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
- RL7.4 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
- **RL7.5** Analyze how a drama's or poem's form or structure (e.g., soliloquy, sonnet) contributes to its meaning.
- **RI7.2** Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text. **RI7.6** 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.
- **RI7.9** Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts.

- Write an informative essay
- Work in small group
- Present information verbally and written
- Complete a body biography identifying character traits
- Identify an author's purpose and theme in a variety of text

L7.4a Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's	
position meaning of a word or phrase.	
L7.4b Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues	
to the meaning of a word (e.g., belligerent, bellicose, rebel).	
L7.4c Consult general and specialized reference thesauruses), both print and	
digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise	
meaning or its part of speech.	
SL7.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in	
groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and	
issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	
SL7.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused,	
coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use	
appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.	
W7.2a Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas,	
concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification,	
comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings),	
graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding	
comprehension.	
W7.2b Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details,	
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Perception and Reality Content Read and write argumentative Text Determining test structure and meaning of words Identifying perception Understanding empathy	9 weeks	RL 1, RL 2, RL 3, RL 4, RL 5, RL 10, RI 1, RI 2, RI 4, RI 5 W 1a-e, W 2a-f, W 4, W 5, W 6, W 7, W 8, W 9, W 9a, W 10 SL 1-d, SL 2, SL 4, SL 5, SL 6 L 1a, L 2b, L 4a-d	 Why are things in life not always how we perceive them to be? How can a single action dramatically change a person's perception?
 Skills Recognizing that the setting can influence our perceptions Understanding and identifying bias Summarize an idea or text 	Formative Assessments Online Selection Tests Read Write Think: Essay Map	Summative Assessments Performance Task A: Write an Opinion Performance Task B: Write an Expository Essay Collection 2 Test	Activities/Strategies • Tic Tac Toe Board • Dramatic Reading

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 Apply empathy (group discussion)
 Understand bias (multiply media)
 Summarize ideas
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