# Module Title: The Struggle for Freedom (To Kill a Mockingbird)

Subject: English 9	Grade: 9	Timeline: 30-35 Days (To Kill
		a Mockingbird )

#### Module Overview:

Looking at a situation from different Point of Views

✓ Perspective of – "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view [...] until you climb into his skin and walk around in it."

# **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Support Inferences about theme
- ✓ Establish a communal context for the period in which Lee was writing her famous novel.
- ✓ Discuss the various socio-political issues and climates prevalent during this era.
- ✓ Compare and contrast traditional Southern social attitudes and Atticus' attitude towards other people
- ✓ Describe the social impact on characters' attitudes and actions (Aunt Alexandria, Tom Robinson, Bob Ewell, etc.)
- ✓ Analyze character motivations
- ✓ Analyze impact of dialect, socio-economic, and education levels
- ✓ Analyze impact of cultural background on POV
- ✓ Cite textual evidence to support inferences
- ✓ Determine purpose and POV

## Thematic Focus:

The Struggle for Freedom – In connection with Collection 2 of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt English 9 Anthology

#### **Essential Questions:**

How does the period in which Lee was writing effect the issues that she discusses?

What helps with establishing the narrator as an adult describing a childhood memory, rather than a child telling a story as it happens?

### Instructional Focus of Module

1.3 Reading Literature	1.5 Speaking and Listening	
1.39-10A	1.5.9-10A	
Determine a theme or central idea of a text and	Initiate and participate effectively in a range	
analyze in detail its development over the course	of collaborative discussions on grade-level	
of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped	topics, texts, and issues, building on others'	

and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

#### 1.39-10B

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly, as well as inferences and conclusions based on an author's explicit assumptions and beliefs about a subject.

#### 1.39-10C

Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

#### 1.29-10D

Determine the point of view of the text and analyze the impact the point of view has on the meaning of the text.

#### 1.39-10E

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create an effect.

#### 1.3.9-10G

Analyze the representation of a subject or a key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each treatment

1.3.9-10I Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade-level reading and context, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies and tools

ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

#### 1.5.9-10D

Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning; ensure that the presentation is appropriate to purpose, audience, and task

#### 1.5.9-10E

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks

#### 1.5.9-10F

Make strategic use of digital media in presentations to add interest and enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence

#### 1.2 Reading Informational Text

#### 1.2.9-10C

Determine an author's particular point of view and analyze how rhetoric advances the point of view

#### 1.2.9-10E

Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text

#### 1.2.9-10J

### 1.4 Writing

#### 1.4.9-10D

Organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text; include formatting when useful to aiding comprehension; provide a concluding statement or section.

#### 1.4.9-10R

Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college – and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression

#### 1.2.9-10K

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade-level reading and context, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies and tools.

#### 1.2.9-10L

Read and comprehend literary nonfiction and informational text on grade level, reading independently and proficiently.

Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling

#### 1.4.9-10T

Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

# Text Set: To Kill a Mockingbird

Anchor Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities**: Introduction PowerPoint/ Background Web quest – time period, Nelle Harper Lee, The Scottsboro Boys, and Jim Crow Laws etc.

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities:** Anticipatory Set/ Pre-Reading Questions

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities**: Gallery Walk—Pre-reading (discuss Scottsboro boys, past historical cases of injustice

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Walking in Shoes Activity (based on crawling

in skin speech)

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: "Say, Mean, Matter" Chart (CH. 12, 15, 24)

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird – FILM

**Activities**: Trial Notes/ Textual Evidence Activity

**Text**: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities**: Point of View Essay- Trial Verdict

**Text**: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities**: Theme Activity (Jigsaw-share out)

**TEXT**: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Connecting injustice to today "What would

you do? Activity

#### **Reading Assessments:**

Active Reading Guides, Chapter Quiz, Final Exam, Discussions/ DEJ's, Incorporation of Vocabulary Acquisition

# **Writing Prompts & Assessments:**

Timed Writings, RAFT Writing
Prompts, Editorial Writing Activity

#### **Grammar Assessments:**

Using the correct form of a homophone while writing

Subject/ verb agreement

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Theme Activity (Jigsaw-share out) & Theme

**Board Activity** 

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities**: The Urban Legend of Boo Radley Activity

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Final projects—Compare/Contrast essay (500 words/main characters), Create a model of

Maycomb/Theme Collage

**Text:** To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Literary Circle Discussion—Ch. 1-11, 12-21 &

22-31

**Text:** To Kill a Mockingbird

**Activities:** - Character Mapping Activity

Text: To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: Connecting your Life Experiences to

Mockingbird - Writing Assignment

**Text:** To Kill a Mockingbird

Activities: The Maycomb Tribune – Tom Robinson is

Dead – Writing Prompt

#### **Academic Vocabulary**

Abominable
acquiescence
Adjourned
aloof
Amiable
Auspicious
Apothecary

Benevolence Contemptuously

Duress eluded Formidable Frank Garishly

hypocrite Inconspicuous

Indicted Malevolent Morbid Perpetuated

Placid
Profane
Quarrel
Recluse
Reprimand
sedative
Scrutiny
Staccato

Turmoil Tranquility Vehement

## **PRE-AP ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES**

One Shot Finch – Springboard Activity
Double Entry Journals
Literature Circles X's 3

Socratic Seminar

Jigsaw theme activity using textual

evidence

Southern Bake-Off/ Social Hour

activity

**Character analysis** 

# Module Title: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Collection 4 – Sweet Sorrow (The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet)

Suk	oject: English 9	Grade: 9	Timeline: 40-45 Days	
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# **Module Overview:**

Students are introduced to the language and timelessness of the characters, theme, motifs, and the complexities of the plot in Shakespeare's enduring classic.

## **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Analyze character motivations and parallel plots
- ✓ Support Inferences about theme
- ✓ Analyze an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events (parallel plots) and manipulate time
- ✓ Analyze Shakespeare's use of language (verse, prose, rhythm, rhyme) and its importance in setting mood and establishing character
- ✓ Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text
- ✓ Determine a theme and analyze its development
- ✓ Cite textual evidence to support inferences and assertions
- ✓ Determine purpose and Point of View
- ✓ Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussion
- ✓ Interpret figures of speech in context

#### Thematic Focus:

Sweet Sorrow- In connection with Collection 4 of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt English 9 Anthology

#### **Essential Questions:**

How can something intangible impact your life?

How is Shakespeare's play received today versus how they were received during the Elizabethan Era?

How can you have something that cannot be owned?

# **Instructional Focus of Module:**

1.3 Reading Literature	Grammar and Eligible Content	
1.39.10A	Puns	
Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and	Synonyms	
refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.	Academic Vocabulary	

#### 1.39.10B

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly, as well as inferences and conclusions based on an author's explicit assumptions and beliefs about a subject.

#### 1.39.10C

Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

#### 1.29.10D

Determine the point of view of the text and analyze the impact the point of view has on the meaning of the text.

#### 1.39.10E

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create an effect.

#### 1.3.9-10.F

Analyze how words and phrases shape meaning and tone in texts.

#### 1.3.9-10.H

Analyze how an author draws on and transforms themes, topics, character types, and/or other text elements from source material in a specific work.

#### 1.3.9-10.K

Read and comprehend literary fiction on grade level, reading independently and proficiently.

Adversaries

Amorous

Apothecary

Attribute

Banishment

Calamity

Commend

Conjure

Conspire

cunning

discord

disposition

expose

grievance

initiate

invocation

loathsome

paramour

portentous

prevail

procure

rapier

reconcile

scourge

shroud

tedious

transgression

underlie

vengeance

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# 1.4 Writing

#### 1.4.9.10D

Organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text; include formatting when useful to aiding comprehension; provide a concluding statement or section.

#### 1.4.9-10.E

Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of composition.

#### 1.5 Speaking and Listening

#### 1.5.9-10B

Evaluate a speaker's perspective, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence

#### 1.5.9-10G

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English when

Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary	speaking based on Grades 9-10 level and	
to manage the complexity of the topic.	content.	
Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms of the discipline in which they are writing.		
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# Text Set: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet

Anchor Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Reading Assessments:
Activities: Anticipatory Set	Auti Bautia Cita Auti VO i Sials au
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Active Reading Guides, Act I -V Quiz, Final Exam,
Activities: Introduction Notes on William Shakesp	Discussions/ Double Entry Journals, Incorporation of
Literary terms, and The Globe Theater	Vocabulary Acquisition
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Writing Prompts & Assessments:
Activities: Scene Re-write activities – Act III Scene	γ   σ '
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Scene Rewrite Activity/ Translating Shakespearean
<b>Activities</b> : Summary Review Activity – Acts I –V	Language
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Timed Writings, RAFT Writing Prompts
Activities: Film to Text Comparison	Timed Writings, NACE Writing Frompts
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Write an Analytical Essay
Activities: Scene Summary Block Activity and Disc	ussion
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	
Activities: Understanding and Using Shakespeare	S Grammar Assessments:
Terms	Granina Assessments.
Text: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Synonyms, Puns, Context Clues
Activities: Prologue Rewrite Activity	
TEXT: The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Listening and Speaking Focus:
Activities: Web quest	Dramatic Reading
Text: from Love's Vocabulary	Monologue/ Dialogue/ soliloquy/ apostrophe/
Activities: Create a Poem	aside
Text: Poem and Video - My Shakespeare	Class Discussion
Activities: Media Analysis	
Text: from The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet	Reading Focus
Activities: Close Read	Reading Focus:
Text: Myth "Pyramus and Thisbe"	Theme
Activities: Analysis Activity	Motif
Text: Short Story - Duty	Characterization
Activities: - Analysis – Representations in Differer	t Foil (in text)
Mediums	Foreshadowing Imagery
	Drama
	Meter/ lambic Pentameter

PRE-AP ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
Tapestry Group Activity
Panic Room Review
Dialogue Rewrite
Socratic Seminar
Scaffolding Activity Acts I-V
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# Module Title: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – Collect 5 Heroes and Quests (from The Odyssey)

Su	bject: English 9	Grade: 9	Timeline: 30-35 Day	<b>/</b> S
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# **Module Overview:**

In the unit *Heroes and Quests* students will analyze the nature of journeys and quests to determine the nature, outcomes, and requirements of journeys. At the conclusion of the module, students will synthesize multiple texts to analyze why people undertake arduous journeys.

# **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Support Inferences about theme
- ✓ Discuss the epic poem as Greek comedy and evaluate it according to the six characteristics
- ✓ Follow Homers tragic flaw for Odysseus and how this affects the poem
- ✓ Analyze an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events, and manipulate time
- ✓ Determine precise words and phrases that contribute to imagery found within the poem
- ✓ Create inferences about the theme in The Odyssey based on literary elements, plot, dialogue, voice and characterization
- ✓ Analyze a particular cultural experience reflected in literature from outside the United States
- ✓ Trace the development of the character of Odysseus
- ✓ Cite textual evidence to support inferences
- ✓ Determine purpose and POV

#### Thematic Focus:

Students will encounter references to the characters, plot, and themes of the Odyssey in literary works and in other contexts.

#### **Essential Questions:**

What qualities does a person possess that makes them heroic?

What does the word quest mean? How may this be applied to The Odyssey?

# **Instructional Focus of Module:**

1.3 Reading Literature	Grammar Eligible Content	
1.39.10A	Subject/Verb agreement	
Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by	Academic Vocabulary	
specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.	ample	
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1.39.10B	brazen	
	deliberation	

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly, as well as inferences and conclusions based on an author's explicit assumptions and beliefs about a subject.

#### 1.39.10C

Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

#### 1.29.10D

Determine the point of view of the text and analyze the impact the point of view has on the meaning of the text.

#### 1.39.10E

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create an effect.

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undertake

# 1.2 Reading Informational Text

#### CC.1.2.9-10.A

Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

# 1.4 Writing

#### 1.4.9-10.L

Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and setting.

#### 1.4.9-10.M

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events.

#### 1.4.9 - 10.0

Use narrative techniques such as dialogue, description, reflection, multiple plotlines, and pacing to develop experiences, events, and/or characters; use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, settings, and/or characters.

#### CC.1.4.9-10.P

Create a smooth progression of experiences or events using a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a

coherent whole; provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

## Text Set:

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Anchor Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: Anticipatory Set	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: Qualities of a Hero Activity	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: The Journey of Odysseus – Chart	
Text: The Cruelest Journey 600 miles	
Activities: Discussion	
Text: The Journey	
Activities: Interpreting Figurative Language	
Text: The Real Reason We Explore Space	
Activities: Evaluating an Argument	
Text: The Odyssey	
Activities: Background Notes – Epic and Myth	
Text: from The Odyssey	
<b>Activities</b> : Elements of a Greek Myth Activity	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: From Film to Text activity	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: Background of Troy Timeline activity	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: Greek god and goddess Project	
Text: from The Odyssey	
<b>Activities</b> : The Journey or the destination activity	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activities: What is a hero? Poster assignment	
Text: from The Odyssey	
Activity: Fate vs. Free Will assignment	

# **Grammar Assessments:**

**Denotation and Connotation** 

# Writing Prompts & Assessments:

Analysis of Central Idea

# Ongoing Standards Addressed in This Unit:

RL 1: Citing Textual Evidence

RL 2: Determine the theme of a text

- RL 3: Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text
- RL 4: Determine meanings of words and phrases used in a text
- RL 5: Analyze author's choices concerning text structure, events, and time.
- RL 6: Analyze a particular cultural experience reflected in literature outside the U.S.
- W 3a: Write narratives to engage and orient the reader
- W 3d: Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language
- L 1b: Use various types of phrases
- L 4c: Consult reference materials to determine meaning
- L 5a: Interpret figures of speech in context

# Module Title: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – Collections 2 – The Struggle for Freedom

Subject: English 9 Grade: 9 Timeline: 30-35 days

#### **Module Overview:**

Students will encounter multiple texts and experiences to explore the nature of freedom. Varied points of view will encourage students to develop informed opinions on the nature freedom which will culminate in an argumentative essay discussing whether freedom should be given or must be demanded.

# **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Analyze a seminal U.S. document and the impact of its rhetoric
- ✓ Analyze connections between ideas and events and analyze accounts in different mediums.
- ✓ Analyze how an author unfolds events in a diary and analyze the impact of word choice on tone.
- ✓ Determine author's point of view and analyze accounts in different mediums
- ✓ Analyze an author's point of view and cultural background, and also analyze an author's choices about style and structure.
- ✓ Write an argument defending whether freedom should be given or must be demanded while synthesizing multiple texts.
- ✓ Synthesize multiple documents to defend an argument.
- ✓ Make a claim and develop the claim with valid reasons and relevant evidence from the text
- ✓ Anticipate opposing claims and counter them will well-supported reasons and relevant evidence.
- ✓ Establish clear, logical relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
- ✓ Analyze the use of rhetoric to develop argument.
- ✓ Analyze point of view and word choice to determine theme.
- ✓ Include an introduction, a logically structured body linked with transitions, and evidence.

#### Thematic Focus:

Students will analyze the nature of freedom through multiple, diverse perspectives on what is required to gain and keep freedom.

# **Essential Questions:**

What is impact of rhetoric in developing and argument and attaining freedom?

What is the effect of synthesizing multiple perspectives regarding a singular event in history?

What is similar/different about the struggle for freedom in other countries?

Should freedom be given or must it be demanded?

# **Instructional Focus of Module:**

1.2 Reading Informational Text	1.4 Writing
1.2.9–10.A	1.4.9–10.A
Determine a central idea of a text and	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine
analyze its development over the course of	and convey complex ideas, concepts, and
the text, including how it emerges and is	information clearly and accurately.
shaped and refined by specific details;	
provide an objective summary of the text.	CC.1.4.9–10.B
	Write with a sharp, distinct focus identifying topic,
1.2.9–10.B	task, and audience.
Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to	
support analysis of what the text says	1.4.9–10.E
explicitly, as well as inferences and	Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of
conclusions based on an author's explicit	composition.
assumptions and beliefs about a subject.	Use precise language and domain-specific
1.2.0.10.0	vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
1.2.9–10.D	Establish and maintain a formal style and
Determine an author's particular point of	objective tone while attending to the norms of
view and analyze how rhetoric advances the	the discipline in which they are writing.
point of view.	1.40.401
1 2 0 40 5	1.4.9–10.L
1.2.9–10.F	Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of
Analyze how words and phrases shape	the conventions of standard English grammar,
meaning and tone in texts.	usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
tone in texts.	1.4.9–10.M
1.2.9-10G	Write narratives to develop real or imagined
Analyze various accounts of a subject told in	experiences or events.
different mediums (e.g., a person's life story	experiences of events.
in both print and multimedia), determining	1.4.9-10R
which details are emphasized in each account	Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of
2 22 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	the conventions of standard English grammar,
1.2.9-10H	usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
Delineate and evaluate the argument and	
specific claims in a text, assessing the validity	1.4.9-10S
or reasoning and relevance of evidence	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts
	to support analysis, reflection, and research,
1.2.9 <b>–</b> 10.I	applying grade-level reading standards for
Analyze seminal U.S. documents of historical	literature and literary nonfiction.
and literary significance, including how they	
address related themes and concepts.	1.4.9-10T
	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by
	planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a

new approach, focusing on addressing what is

1 E Speaking and Listoning	most significant for a specific purpose and audience.  1.4.9-10X Write routinely over extended time frames ( time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames ( a sling sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
1.5 Speaking and Listening	Grammar Eligible Content
1.5.9-10B Evaluate a speaker's perspective, reasoning,	Subject/ verb agreement
and use of evidence and rhetoric, identifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or	Suffixes that form Nouns
distorted evidence.	Academic Vocabulary
1.5.9-10C	decline
Integrate multiple sources of information	enable
presented in diverse media, or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the	impose integrate
credibility and accuracy of each source.	reveal

# **Text Set:** HMH Collections 2 -

Anchor Text: "I Have A Dream" speech	Reading Assessments:	
Activities: Analyze author's use of rhetoric		
Text: from "Nobody Turn Me Around"	Analyze rhetorical devices and seminal documents.	
Activities: Close Reading activity		
Text: from "Cairo: My City, Our Revolution"		
Activities: Analyze events in a diary format	Writing Prompts & Assessments:	
Text: "from Reading Lolita in Tehran"	Cunth asize multiple toyts to create an argumentative	ive
Activities: Analyze accounts in different mediums		
Text: "Persepolis 2: The Story of a Return"	essay	
Activities: Analyze graphic novels		
Text: "The Censors"		
Activities: Collaborative Discussion		
<b>Text:</b> A Eulogy for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.		
Activities: Close Read		
Text: The Prisoner Who Wore Glasses		
Activities: Close Read		

# Ongoing Standards Addressed in This Unit:

- R1 1: Cite textual evidence
- R1 2: Determine a central idea
- R1 3: Analyze how the author unfolds ideas or events
- R1 4: Analyze the impact of word choices on meaning and tone.
- R1 5: Analyze how ideas or claims are developed
- R1 6: Determine an author's point of view or purpose and analyze rhetoric
- R1 7: Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums
- R1 9: Analyze seminal U.S. documents
- W 2: Write informative/argumentative/explanatory texts
- L 1 a: Use parallel structure

# Module Title: Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson

#### **Module Overview:**

Speak allows the reader to relate to and empathize with the narrator Melinda Sordino. The novel depicts how social dynamics and isolation play into Melinda's deterioration, But, by using her voice, how an individual can make a change in her own life, while exposing a hidden fear of others' as well.

### **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Identify and discuss Anderson's use of sensory images and how they relate to Melinda's emotions
- ✓ Discuss intertextuality and references: (Maya Angelou's writing, The Scarlet Letter, and classic fairy tales) to understand how these allusions maintain Speak's themes.
- ✓ Introduce literary analysis and expository writing
- ✓ Discuss the use of tone in the novel and related to outside sources
- ✓ Trace Melinda's personal growth over the course of the novel
- ✓ Discuss how this is a coming of age novel
- ✓ Identify allusion, antithesis, antagonist, flashback, foreshadowing, imagery, inferences, irony, metaphor, simile, and symbolism
- ✓ Evaluate the effectiveness of the title and discuss the irony of the word speak as it relates to the book.
- ✓ Cite textual evidence to support inferences
- ✓ Support inferences about themes (hope, grief, isolation)

### Thematic Focus:

The Struggle for freedom (in an individual/ personal account) – In connection with Collection 2 of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt English 9 Anthology.

#### **Essential Questions:**

What does silence do to a person? What about speaking out? Discuss times in history when it changed the course of our nation/world because someone was willing to speak up for their rights.

# Instructional Focus of Module:

1.3 Reading Literature	Vocabulary
1.39.10A	Blathers
Determine a theme or central idea of a text and	Conundrum
analyze in detail its development over the	Delinquency
course of the text, including how it emerges and	Drone
is shaped and refined by specific details; provide	Flounder
an objective summary of the text.	Harried
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1.39.10B	Indoctrination

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly, as well as inferences and conclusions based on an author's explicit assumptions and beliefs about a subject.

#### 1.39.10C

Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

#### 1.29.10D

Determine the point of view of the text and analyze the impact the point of view has on the meaning of the text.

#### 1.39.10E

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create an effect.

#### 1.3.9. 10 F

Analyze how words and phrases shape meaning and tone in texts

#### 1.3.9.10.H

Analyze how an author draws on and transforms themes, topics, character types, and/or other text elements from source materials in a specific work.

#### 1.3.9.10J

Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain- specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrases important to comprehension or expression

#### 1.3.9-10K

Read and comprehend literary fiction on grade level, reading independently and proficiently.

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1.2 Reading	1.4 Writing
Informational	
Text	
1.2.9.10C Determine an author's particular point of view and analyze how rhetoric advances the point of view	1.4.910B Write with a sharp, distinct focus identifying topic, task, and audience  1.4.9.10D Organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text; include formatting when useful to aiding comprehension; provide a concluding statement or section.
	1.4.9-10F Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, capitulation, punctuation, and spelling.  1.4.9-10M Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events

# Text Set: Speak

Anchor Text: Speak	Reading Assessments:
Activities: Anticipatory Activity (stations)	
Text: Speak	Active Reading Guides, section 1-4  Quiz, Final Exam, Discussions/ DEJ's,
Activities: Theme or No Theme activity	Incorporation of Vocabulary
Text: I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings excerpt	
Activities: comparison activity	Acquisition
Text: Speak	Writing Prompts & Assessments:
Activities: Map it Out activity	
Text: Speak	Timed Writings, Expository writing,
Activities: Inference/ prediction sheet activity	globe writing activity, memoir writing
Text: Speak	Grammar Assessments:
Activities: Globe Writing – (assigned topics)	Grammar Assessments.
Text: Speak	Correct capitalization and punctuation
Activities: Characterization Activity	marks
Text: Speak	
Activities: Top 10 lies activity	Correct usage of commas and
TEXT: Speak	apostrophes
Activities: Film comparison chart/ questions	Subject/ verb agreement
Text: Speak	

Activities: Memoir writing

Text: Speak

**Activities**: Literary Group Discussions

**Text**: Listen – Poem by Laurie Halse Anderson

**Activities**: Discussion to Speak

Text: Speak

**Activities**: Imagery in Speak – tree activity

Text: Speak

**Activities:** - Wishbone activity

Text: Speak

**Activities**: I AM Poem – to self and character

# Module Title: A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness – Inspired by Siobhan Dowd

Subject: English 9 Grade: 9 Timeline: 20/25 Days

#### **Module Overview:**

A Monster Calls is a fantasy novel that follows thirteen year old Conor O'Malley through a difficult period in his life. Conor learns throughout the novel how to cope with the themes of death and loss, while confronting several obstacles in his life such as family dynamics, a sick mother, and bullying.

# **Module Objectives:**

- ✓ Draw inferences, justifying these claims using textual evidence
- ✓ Explore characterization and use textual evidence to support their opinions
- ✓ Explore the interplay between text and illustration and explore the aspects of a narrative that are impossible to include in the written text
- ✓ Discuss the motivations of the key characters in A Monster Calls (Conor, Conor's mum, Conor's grandmother, Conor's father, Lily, the Yew tree)

#### Thematic Focus:

The Struggle for freedom (in an individual/ personal account) – In connection with Collection 2 of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt English 9 Anthology.

# **Essential Questions:**

How often do you refer to something or someone as a monster?

Do the monsters ever seem to suffer? If so, how so?

1<sup>st</sup> tale question – Would you want special treatment if you were in Conor's position, or would you get angry like he does? Have you ever known anyone in his situation? How did they react?

 $2^{nd}$  tale question – Is it truly possible to die of grief, like the king's wife in the monster's second story?

3<sup>rd</sup> tale question – Why do we never see any signs of suffering from Conor's dad? Or do we?

#### Instructional Focus of Module

1.3 Reading Literature	1.5 Speaking and Listening	
1.39-10A	1.5.9-10A	
Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions on grade-level topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	

# 1.39-10B

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly, as well as inferences and conclusions based on an author's explicit assumptions and beliefs about a subject.

#### 1.39-10C

Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

#### 1.29-10D

Determine the point of view of the text and analyze the impact the point of view has on the meaning of the text.

# 1.39-10E

Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create an effect.

1.2 Reading Informational Text	1.4 Writing
	1.4.9-10R  Demonstrate a grade-appropriate command of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
	1.4.9-10T Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

# **Text Set: A Monster Calls**

Anchor Text: A Monster Calls	Reading Assessments:	
Activities: Connecting to Conor O'Malley- journal		
activity	Active Reading Guides, Chapter Quiz,	
Text: A Monster Calls	Final Exam, Discussions/ DEJ's,	
Activities: Anticipatory Set/ Pre-Reading Questions	Incorporation of Vocabulary	
Text: A Monster Calls	Acquisition	

**Activities**: Creating a 5<sup>th</sup> Tale activity **Writing Prompts & Assessments: Text**: A Monster Calls Journal Writing, Creating a 5<sup>th</sup> tale Activities: A four wall discussion activity **Text**: A Monster Calls Academic Vocabulary **Activities**: Carousel Activity Ailment Text: A Monster Calls Apothecary Activities: Bringing the novel to life – imagery activity Charisma Text: Cinema **Activities**: Congregation Text: Cronies **Activities**: Chaste TEXT: Chambers Compost **Activities**: Duvet Encompass Fortification Fortnight Groggily Injustice Keening Kettle Pantomime Pendulum Remedy Rucksack Sapling Settee Superstition Succumbed **Tyranny** Unruffled Vengeance