

**Syllabus for EMS and WMS Libraries Grades 6-8
2024-2025**

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First Nine Week Session

***Banned Book Week September 22-28, 2024**

Week	Unit	Skill	TN State Standard	Activity
One August 5-9	Welcome/Rules	Following Expectations		
Two August 12-16	Reading Interest Survey	Interest	Interest	Survey Sheet
Three August 19-23	Book Trailer Links	Interest	Interest	Chromebook Activity
Four August 26-30	Library Orientation (Fiction/Nonfiction) Scavenger Hunt	Understanding of how the library operates	Library Skill	Amazing Race Activity
Five September 3-6	Dewey Decimal System	Organization of Books	Library Skill	Practice on Destiny and Location of Books in Library
Six September 9-13	OPAC* Destiny/TEL Databases vs Web	Location of Sources	Library Skill	Scavenger Hunt
Seven September 23-27	Banned Book Week	Censorship	Library Skills	Team Discussion Topics
Eight September 30-Oct 4	Media Literacy/Digital Citizenship	Internet Safety, Privacy and Security, Digital Reputation/Digital Footprint, Information Literacy	Library Skill and ELA 6-8.SL.CC.2	Discussion Prompts in Teams

*Online Public Access Catalog

Second Nine Week Session

Week	Unit	Skill	TN State Standard	Activity
One October 14-18	Using a Dictionary/ Thesaurus and Dictionary/ Thesaurus.com	Organization of and multiple meanings, etymology, synonyms and antonyms	ELA 6-8.L.AU.4	Vocabulary Mapping (Merriam Webster Dictionary Activity)
Two October 21-25	Electronic Encyclopedia/ Sources (TEL)	Organization/Find Digital Sources	ELA 6-8. W.RBPK.8	Scavenger Hunt
Three October 28- November 1	Research Process	Big 6 Steps to Research	ELA 6-8.W.RBPK.7	Lecture to set up research skills
Four November 4-8	Identifying and Choosing the Best Electronic Resources (TEL)	Explore available databases	ELA 6-8.W.RBPK.8	Explore Tennessee Electronic Library Databases
Five November 18-22	Plagiarism/Source Information Sheet/Citations	Determine the important information for Works Cited	6-8.W.RBPK.8	Students log important information for 2 books and 1 online source
Six December 2-6	CARS method for Reliability of Sources	Determine if an online source is trustworthy.	6-8.W.RBPK.8	Finding the Reliable Source
Seven December 9-13	AI (Artificial Intelligence)	What is it?		Discussion Topics
Eight December 16-20	Primary/ Secondary Sources Activity	Differentiate between primary and secondary sources	6-8 Social Studies Standard: SSP.02	Investigation: Which books/documents are Primary? Secondary?

Third Nine Week Session

Week	Unit	Skill	TN State Standard	Activity
One January 7-10	Summary	How to write an objective summary	6-8.RL.KID.2 6-8.RI.KID.2	Storyboards
Two January 13-17	Paraphrase/Quote	Note Taking	6-8.W.RBPK.8	
Three January 21-24	Note Taking	To Paraphrase or Quote?	6-8.W.RBPK.8	Which works
Four January 27-31	Genres of Literature	Middle School ELA in TN Classrooms place great emphasis on themes across genres.	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	"I Have–Who Has?" OR "Genre Personality Quiz"
Five February 3-7	Biography	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Six February 10-14	"Horror Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Seven February 18-21	"Adventure Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Eight February 24-28	"Historical Fiction Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Nine March 3-7	"Realistic Fiction Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Ten March 10-13	"Mystery Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	

Fourth Nine Week Session

Week	Unit	Skill	TN State Standard	Activity
One March 24-28	"Fantasy Genre Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Two March 31- April 4	"Science Fiction Library Lesson"	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	
Three April 7-11	Poetry	Specific Genre Study	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10	Poetry Stations
Four April 14-17	Exploring the Different Genres	Review all Genres	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Speed Dating with Books
Five April 21-25	End of the Year Book Talks	Group by Interest	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Literature Circles
Six April 28-May 2	End of the Year Book Talks	Group by Interest	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Literature Circles
Seven May 5-9	End of the Year Book Talks	Group by Interest	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Literature Circles
Eight May 12-16	End of the Year Book Talks	Group by Interest	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Literature Circles
Nine May 19-23	End of the Year Book Talks	Group by Interest	ELA 6-8.RL.RRTC.10 and 6-8.RI.RRTC.10	Literature Circles