

Elizabethtown Area School District
Scope & Sequence - Quick Reference



Department: English Language Arts

Course: AP® English Language and Composition

Grade Level(s): 11-12

<i>Unit Title</i>	<i>General Topic(s)</i>	<i>Pacing</i>
1. Welcome and Benchmarking	• Welcome, syllabus, writing sample	1 week
2. Rhetorical Situation: Rhetorical context, audience, purpose, exigence, appeals, rhetorical analysis (<i>In Cold Blood</i>)	• Understanding the rhetorical situation (speaker, audience, purpose, context) • Identifying and analyzing rhetorical appeals (ethos, pathos, logos) • Introduction to rhetorical analysis writing • Close reading of nonfiction texts • Understanding tone, purpose, and authorial intent	3 weeks
3. Claims, Evidence, and Reasoning: Argumentation, claims, evidence, reasoning, counterclaims (<i>Carson's Silent Spring</i>)	• Developing defensible claims • Differentiating types of evidence (facts, anecdotes, statistics, testimony) • Analyzing and evaluating evidence • Integrating quotations and paraphrasing • Writing analytical and argumentative paragraphs	3 weeks
4. Reasoning and Organization: Structure of argument, logic, organization, coherence (<i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i>)	• Line of reasoning and logical progression • Organizational strategies (cause/effect, comparison, definition) • Transitions and cohesion • Development of body paragraphs and commentary	3 weeks
5. Style: Diction, syntax, tone, voice, rhetorical	• Sentence structure and stylistic choices	3 weeks

style (Russel Baker's <i>Growing Up</i>)	● Tone and voice analysis ● Syntax and rhetorical effect ● Revision for clarity and sophistication	
6. Synthesis: Synthesis of multiple sources, research-based argument	● Evaluating credibility and relevance of sources ● Integrating multiple perspectives ● Writing a synthesis essay ● Citation and academic integrity	3 weeks
7. Review and AP Exam Preparation: Comprehensive skill review and exam readiness	● Timed writings (rhetorical analysis, synthesis, argument) ● Multiple-choice practice ● Revision strategies ● Exam pacing and test-taking strategies	3 weeks