Bentonville Schools

8th Grade Literacy Year-at-a-Glance	Arkansas ELA Standards			
Unit Pacing	Unit 1: 9 weeks	Unit 2: 9 weeks	Unit 3: 9 weeks	Unit 4: 9 weeks
Unit Title	The Price of Knowledge	What Matters	Resilience	Invention
Reading Skills Focus	8.RC.1.RF provide an objective summary 8.RC.2.RF determine how a theme is developed over the course of the text 8.V.3 determine meaning of words/phrases using a range of techniques	8.RC.12.RI examine how sentences in a paragraph clarify the central idea 8.RC.15.RI evaluate arguments for claims, reasoning, and evidence	8.RC.3.RF cite text evidence that most strongly supports analysis 8.RC.7.RL describe the effects of differing POVs/ perspectives between characters and readers	8.RC.2.RF determine how a central idea is developed over the course of the text
Writing Skills Focus	8.W.2.S P.E.A. response writing 8.W.3.S narrative writing	8.W.1.S argument essay writing	8.W.2.S informative essay writing	8.W.13.P research writing
Supporting Standards	8.RC.5.RL examine the impact of lines of dialogue 8.RC.6.RL distinguish how structure contributes to meaning & style 8.RC.9.RL describe how an author adapts a modern story from classical ones 8.V.5 determine how word choice impacts meaning, style, tone 8.V.6 understand figurative language in context 8.L.3.S use verbs effectively 8.L.7.S produce compound-complex sentences	8.RC.13.RI describe how the author responds to conflicting evidence/viewpoints 8.RC.16.RI analyze two or more texts that present conflicting information 8.V.4 examine how connotations impact word meanings 8.L.4.S use verbals 8.L.6.S correct misplaced/ dangling modifiers 8.L.9.S eliminate redundancy	8.RC.5.RL examine the impact of lines of dialogue 8.RC.6.RL distinguish how drama structure contributes to meaning & style 8.RC.11.RI explain how an author uses comparisons to connect or distinguish 8.V.5 determine how word choice impacts meaning, style, tone 8.L.10.C-8.L.14.C use comma rules, a colon with a list, semicolon in series, ellipsis for omission, commas, ellipsis, dashes for pause/break	8.RC.9.RL describe how an author adapts a modern story from classical ones 8.RC.11.RI explain how an author uses comparisons to connect or distinguish 8.CC.10.P use appropriate eye contact, tone, & pacing when presenting 8.L.1.S use nouns effectively 8.L.2.S ensure pronouns & antecedents agree 8.L.5.S use modifiers effectively 8.L.8.S use prepositional phrases effectively
Anchor Texts	various texts from Savvas *myView* textbook Extended Text: *The Giver* by Lois Lowry	various texts from Savvas *myView* textbook Extended Text: *Audacity* by Melanie Crowder OR	various texts from Savvas *myView* textbook Extended Text: *The Diary of Anne Frank* play by Frances Goodrich & Albert	various texts from Savvas *myView* textbook

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		Animal Farm by George Orwell	Hackett AND various student-choice lit circle novels	