# Black Horse Pike Regional School District Curriculum Template

ENGAGING STUDENTS • FOSTERING ACHIEVEMENT • CULTIVATING 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY GLOBAL SKILLS

# **Course Name: Senior Advanced Placement Language and Curriculum**

**Course Number:** 

# **PART I: UNIT RATIONALE**

# WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

Course/Unit Title:	Unit Summary:		
Intro to Rhetoric and	The primary focus of this course is on the written, visual, and spoken word and		
Rhetorical Analysis	the emphasis on how writers communicate their ideas and purposes. In this unit,		
Grade Level(s):	students review and/or are introduced to rhetorical terms and methods,		
12	appeals, and the Aristotelean triangle. Students will work with the SOAPSTone		
l	method to analyze how speakers address their subject and achieve purpose by		
	considering the occasion and audience. Students will also analyze how the		
	speaker's choices regarding diction, syntax, and structure affect his or her		
	message and tone. Using mentor texts, students will practice imitating use of		
	rhetorical devices in their own writing. Students will connect ideas and author		
	choices in independent reading texts, and support their ideas with appropriate		
	and varied text examples.		
Essential Question(s):	Enduring Understanding(s):		
Reading Informational and	Reading Informational and Literature Texts		
Literature Texts	Understanding rhetoric and rhetorical appeals helps students make meaning		
<ul> <li>Why is an understanding of</li> </ul>	of an author's purpose and audience which are implicit in making meaning for		
rhetoric and rhetorical appeals	a reader in any point in any time period.		
important for critical and	Development of methods and strategies for understanding and analyzing text		
analytical reading?	such as annotation, inner voice, rhetorical triangle, and SOAPSTone can help a		
<ul><li> How do we read critically?</li><li> How does knowledge of the use</li></ul>	<ul> <li>reader to gain insight into increasingly difficult text.</li> <li>Recognition of use of stylistic devices to achieve an author's purpose such as</li> </ul>		
• How does knowledge of the use of rhetorical devices help	figurative language organization of text, use of appeals, characterization, and		
readers understand a speaker's	imagery increase the reader's ability to understand the importance of		
intended audience and	language and structure.		
purpose?	• The organizational structure of a text can influence its purpose.		
• Why is text structure	Engaging in texts that model various patterns of writing and rhetorical		
important?	elements will allow students to apply the same techniques in their own		
<ul> <li>What is the relationship</li> </ul>	writing.		
between reading analytically	Literature provides a mirror to help us understand ourselves and others by		
and writing?	reflecting the heritage, diversity, and challenges in society.		
What is the relationship	Literature provides an essential tool in understanding issues of global		
between a written work and the	importance, and themes in literature are universal and, generally, transcend culture and time.		
time period in which during which it was written?			
What is the role of literature in			
understanding others' cultures			
or experiences?			

#### Writing

- Why is writing important?
- How does good writing occur?
- What role do others play in shaping our writing?
- Why should we imitate mentor texts?
- Why are annotations essential to writing literary analyses?
- How do writers establish persona(s) and/or character(s) in narrative writing?
- How does a writer best communicate personal experiences?
- What are the choices a writer can make to create meaning and effect?

### Language – grammar and vocabulary

- What is role of word choice and sentence structure in reading, writing, and speaking?
- Why is grammar essential to communicate effectively?
- How can sustained acquisition of vocabulary increase academic performance?
- Why is connotation important?

#### Speaking and Listening

- Why are listening and speaking important skills?
- How do we appropriately and respectfully express our opinions in a group setting, and how can we move beyond personal bias to acknowledge another perspective?

#### Writing-

- Written communication and proper grammar mechanics promotes fluency of communication.
- Writing is a multi-stage process that uses skills, strategies, and practices for developing ideas and details, and revising and editing a variety of texts.
- Students learn a great deal by sharing their writing with others and by participating in peer editing and revision activities.
- A reader can learn to be cognizant of the author's use of figurative language, imagery, diction, and syntax to create the desired effect as well as inferring meaning; in addition, the reader should recognize that tone is created through selected and specific diction. These lessons can be applied to his/her own writing.
- Annotating a literary work can aid in written analysis.
- Persona(s) and character(s) are established and developed through the use of imagery and diction.
- Our willingness to draw from the various influences in our lives is the key to developing as a writer.
- Use of vivid and specific details, appropriate diction, and a variety of sentence structures help to convey a writer's position and purpose in a piece of writing.

#### Language – grammar and vocabulary

- Tone is created through use of diction and syntax and is important in helping to understand an author/speaker's purpose.
- Effective communication relies on common rules and conventions.
  - Reference to literary works are in the present tense
  - Tense must be consistent in writing.
- Comprehension is increased by acquisition of a rich and varied vocabulary.
- Emotional associations of words help to convey a particular tone.

#### Speaking and Listening -

- Learning to actively listen, respectfully process others' opinions, and thoughtfully respond while remaining true to our own convictions is an ongoing process and is important in both college and career. Practicing in a classroom setting and giving and receiving appropriate feedback is beneficial for school and life.
- The sharing of ideas through monitored discourse is mutually beneficial. Learning to see our though through the lens of an audience is helpful in clarifying our own ideas. Practice in presenting ideas helps students to increase their confidence and ability to articulate ideas verbally.

# PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES DESCRIBE THE LEARNING TARGETS.

# After each target, identify the NJCCCS or Common Core Standards that are applicable

Learning Target		NJCCCS or CCS
Readi	ng- Informational and Literature texts	1. RL.12.4, RI.12.4,
1.	Identify the features and the rhetorical devices used in a variety of literature	L.12.3, L.12.5
	and informational texts.	2. RL.12.6, RI.12.6
2.	Critically read, analyze, and interpret texts in terms of purpose, audience,	3. RL.12.1, RI.12.1
	context, cultural connections, and rhetorical devices.	4. RL. 12.2, RL.12.6,
3.	Cite textual details to support claims in speaking and writing.	RI.12.2, RI.12.6
4.	Compare and contrast similar themes or topics by authors from different time	5. RL.12.4, RI.12.4
	periods or cultures to explain how the historical or cultural context sharpens	6. RL.12.5, RI.12.5,
	each author's point of view.	7. RL.12.1, RL.12.6,
5.	Compare and contrast texts in terms of tone, theme, diction, structure, and	RI.12.1, RI.12.6,
	rhetorical devices and discuss the effects of those choices on the text.	SL.12.1a-d, SL.12.4
6.	Analyze how the text structure is used to convey an author's position and	
	evaluate its effectiveness.	8. W.12.2a-f,
7.	Use class small group discussion to share text annotations and notes to	W.12.9a,b, RL.12.1
	synthesize ideas and themes in two texts and create essential questions.	9.W. 12.4, W.2b,
Writiı	ng -	W.12.10
8.	Write a literary analysis on a self-generated topic using thorough and specific	10. W.12.2a-f, W.12.4,
	textual evidence and proper citations.	W.12.9b, L.12.5a,b
9.	Write responses to literature that demonstrate an awareness and explanation	11. W.12.3a-e, W.12.4,
	of author's stylistic and rhetorical choices.	W.12.3a
10	). Compose organized and thorough rhetorical analyses that discuss the use of	12.W.12.1, W.12.2
	diction, syntax, imagery, figurative language in conveying author's tone and	13. W.12.5, W.12.6,
	purpose.	SL.12.1
1:	<ol> <li>Utilize specific details, connotative language, and sentence variety when</li> </ol>	
	writing to achieve a specific purpose and tone in narratives.	14. L.12.5a,b
12	2. Write thesis statements which clearly articulate the speaker's position.	15. L.12.1
13	3. Use the writing process to generate ideas, draft, and revise and edit papers.	16. L.12.1, L.12.3a
Langı	age – vocabulary and grammar	17. L.12.4a-d
14	<ol> <li>Analyze and evaluate the impact of word choice in text.</li> </ol>	18. L.12.2, W.12.5,
15	5. Use consistent verb tense in writing.	SL12.1
10	5. Evaluate and analyze grammar components of Standard English sentences.	19. L.12.6
17	7. Define new words in context and use acquired vocabulary in own writing.	
18	<ol><li>Edit and revise their own and other students' writing.</li></ol>	20.SL. 12.2, SL.12.5
19	<ol><li>Identify, analyze, and apply new vocabulary to a specific purpose.</li></ol>	21. SL.12.1a
Speak	ing and Listening	22.SL.12.1c,d, SL.12.3
20	). Identify the context that shapes a work of literature or piece of writing.	23. SL.12.1c,d
23	<ol> <li>Express personal responses to literature in small group setting.</li> </ol>	24.SL.12.3, L.12.1
22	2. Use personal responses or previous knowledge to create text connections.	25. SL.12.5, SL12.5,
23	<ol><li>Ask questions to clarify others' interpretations and/or opinions regarding</li></ol>	SL.12.6

ideas, themes, or topics during discussion.	
24. Provide thoughtful feedback on peer writing, including content and mechanics.	
25. Use technology to present rhetorical or literary analyses of a work or works.	

### **Inter-Disciplinary Connections:**

History, current events, religion, sports

# Students will engage with the following text:

#### Textbooks:

The Language of Composition, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (Ch.1 p. 1-20; 23-37 and Ch. 2 p. 39-63) Vocabulary Workshop (Shostak), Level G: Units 1-3 **Suggested Mentor and Supplemental Texts:** The Longman Writer Models For Writers: Short Essays for Composition, 11<sup>th</sup> edition (Bedford/St. Martin's) Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide This I Believe I & II **One Hundred Great Essays** Short pieces such as Sandra Cisneros's "Salvador Late or Early" and "Eleven," James Baldwin's "Stranger in the Village," Historical letters (Abraham Lincoln to Thurlow Weed, Charles Dickens to his future wife, Elly Hillsesum's "Letter from a Nazi Concentration Camp) **Other Resources:** Purdue Online Writing Lab Collegeboard.com articles and quizzes College Board Professional Development Resources (Rhetoric) Teacher's Manual for Course in English Language and Composition (1995 Duke University Talent Identification Program) AP from A-Z (Language Edition) Advanced Placement Writing I (Center for Learning) Fast Track to a 5 (Olsen and Bailey) **Independent Reading:** The Kite Runner (Khaled Hosseini) I am Malala (Malala Yousafzai) Angela's Ashes (Frank McCourt) The Glass Castle (Jeannette Walls) An American Childhood (Annie Dillard) *My Losing Season* (Pat Conroy) The Other Wes Moore (Wes Moore)

# Students will write:

- 1. Text annotations for author purpose, diction, rhetorical and stylistic devices
- 2. Writer's Notebook: idea generating for personal narrative & college essay topics; narrative modeling text with revisions; experiments with style and syntax, practice with using effective grammar, new techniques
- 3. Reader's Response: logs and annotations of texts studied in unit, independent reading, reflections on author's purpose and craft
- 4. Analytical essay in response to student-generated question on summer reading book(s).
- 5. Writing Workshop: Rhetorical Analysis essay which identifies author's purpose and devices used to achieve that purpose. Includes pre-assessment, modeling, peer and self-revision, and culminating in timed, AP style essay.

# PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

# DESCRIBE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

# How will students uncover content and build skills.

# Suggested list of specific activities:

# Whole-Class Instruction:

- Note-taking and annotation on texts for style, rhetorical devices, SOAPSTone, characteristics of narrative writing
- Mini-lessons applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor texts such as use of imagery, dialogue, word choice
- Teacher modeling of think-aloud strategies when analyzing author choices, tone, determining answers on multiple-choice AP test questions
- Lecture on rhetorical terms, appeals, strategies
- Socratic Seminars on selected texts to reinforce/practice use of support, clarification of ideas, questioning

# Small Group Collaboration:

- Lit circles/jigsaw on summer reading texts to generate essential questions, independent reading texts
- Vocabulary activities such as creation of word walls, word associations and groupings
- Tone analysis including identification of words to convey particular tones; ordering of words according to degree of connotation; creation of visuals that represent tone words
- Peer-conferencing of essays for ideas, conventions, and editing

# Individual Assignments:

- Writing Workshop: development of style and voice; applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor texts; topic selection for college essays; revision exercises for clarity and concision; thesis writing
- Reader's Response to Literature: annotations of texts for author purpose and rhetorical strategies,

identification of main ideas and support; questioning, personal responses to text, quick writes

- Personal narrative (college essay)
- Rhetorical analysis essay
- Grammar: verb tense consistency; subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement
- Vocabulary in context: maintain a vocabulary list in notebooks of words found in independent reading and in context of instructional lessons

Creating Evaluating

Analyzing

Applying

Understanding

Remembering

• Independent reading: student choice and annotation of text, connections to class readings, themes

# PART IV: EVIDENCE OF LEARNING IDENTIFY THE METHODS BY WHICH STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO APPLY SKILLS. IDENTIFY BLOOM'S LEVELS.

# Formative Assessments:

- Quizzes vocabulary definitions, reading checks, notebook checks on vocabulary in context, rhetorical devices
- AP style multiple-choice assessments
- Warm-ups and exit tickets for understanding of vocabulary/rhetorical terms, concepts covered in class
- Homework: responses to readings, questions
- Individual and small group conferences on writing and independent reading
- Socratic Seminar: reflection, peer evaluation, exit slips
- Class discussion, observations, and questioning

#### Accommodations/Modifications:

Allow for extra time and help; peer mentoring

#### Summative Assessments:

- Writing: Analysis essay based on self-generated question in response to summer reading assignment; rhetorical analysis (in-class timed essay)
- Reading: Test on rhetorical terms, techniques, independent and whole-class reading Accommodations/Modifications:

Allow for extra time and help; peer mentoring

# Performance Assessments:

The following are possible assessments which require students to transfer knowledge in the creation of original work.

- Independent reading connecting ideas, themes, characters in two works in essay, PowerPoint, Prezi, or other visual
- Writing Workshop Personal narrative/college application essay
- Prezi or PowerPoint presentation analyzing famous speeches

# **Accommodations/Modifications:**

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Course/Unit Title:	Unit Summary:	
AP Lang & Comp 4	This unit will utilize a variety of resources and media in order to prepare AP Language &	
Unit 2: Argument	Composition 4 students for future college level argument writing, as well as the AP test. Students will analyze satirical and argument texts from a variety of time periods to identify and evaluate	
Grade Level(s):	the authors' use of structural, organizational, and rhetorical strategies. They will prepare various	
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Grade – AP Language &amp;</b> practice arguments throughout the unit as they use a number of model texts to mimic a		
Composition	during this process. Students will improve their skills through writing conferences, peer-editing	
	and self-editing periods. Grammatical conventions, rhetorical strategies and devices learned in	
	unit 1 will be applied to these editing and revision processes. Students will eventually be	
	evaluated on an in-class, timed, AP-style argument essay. Annotation skills established in unit 1	
	will be continue to be employed heavily. Students will continue to develop speaking and listening skills in Socratic Seminars, with a focus on student generated topics for discussion, and	
	building and responding to peers' ideas and statements in discussion. Students will continue the	
	independent reading process, with a culminating performance assessment focused on the	
	independent reading texts.	
Essential Question(s):	Enduring Understanding(s):	
<b>Reading Literature &amp; Informational</b>	Reading Literature & Informational Text:	
Text		
	Authors use writing style to influence the opinions of others and reflect	
How does an author use satire as	the world around them.	
<ul><li>criticism?</li><li>How do authors effectively structure</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Powerful writing can influence public opinion, and political activity.</li> <li>An author will use different styles, genre, and word choice depending on</li> </ul>	
argument?	his or her status, political affiliation, and/or personal goals.	
<ul> <li>How do rhetorical devices impact a</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strong arguments are well-researched, have a clear claim that is well</li> </ul>	
text?	supported by evidence, and acknowledges and refutes a counter-claim.	
How does diction affect a text and	Writers craft successful arguments by fully developing and elaborating	
why is it important?	details.	
How does a writer effectively use	<ul> <li>Arguments must be logical and avoid fallacies in order to be effective.</li> </ul>	
evidence?		
<ul> <li>How do logical fallacies weaken an argument?</li> </ul>		
argument:	Writing	
Writing		
	• Using rhetorical techniques such as logos, ethos, pathos, understatement, exaggeration,	
<ul> <li>What effective writing and</li> </ul>	hyperbole, or sarcasm can improve the effectiveness of argument writing.	
rhetorical techniques should be used	• Using rhetorical techniques such as logos, ethos, and pathos can improve argument writing.	
in persuasive writing?	• Effective word choice that considers shades of meaning helps improve writing and create voice	
<ul> <li>How does diction affect tone?</li> <li>How do purpose and audionse</li> </ul>	and tone.	
<ul> <li>How do purpose and audience influence format and style?</li> </ul>	• Successful writers employ time management, goal-setting, and organization throughout the writing process.	
<ul> <li>How does structure affect the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fully understanding the task and audience can improve the effectiveness of one's argument.</li> </ul>	
effectiveness of an argument?	• The writing task can dictate the organization of an argument.	
How does a writer create a strong	• Strong claims, counter-claims, and use of transition words and phrases in between body	
claim?	paragraphs improves the quality of a paper.	
	• Writing workshops, peer, and self-editing will not only improve one piece of writing, but	
	enhance a student's overall writing ability.	

Speaking & Listening	Speaking & Listening	
<ul> <li>What makes a good presentation?</li> <li>How does a presenter effectively convey ideas to an audience?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Using media and computer programs can improve the quality of a presentation.</li> <li>Organization, good public speaking, and visual aids enhance a presentation and facilitate understanding.</li> </ul>	
<u>Language</u>	Language	
<ul> <li>How does grammar and word choice impact the effectiveness of writing?</li> <li>Why is varying sentence structure important?</li> <li>Why is editing and revision important?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Using formal, academic language and word choice improves the quality of the writing.</li> <li>Using appropriate and varied sentence structures creates more cohesive and interesting writing.</li> <li>Editing and revision can enhance the quality of one's writing.</li> </ul>	]

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Learning Target	NJCCCS or CCS
Reading Literature & Informational Text	
<ol> <li>Infer the topic and purpose of informational text through close reading and annotation.</li> <li>Identify and explain how the writer of an argument organizes information through use of facts (i.e. statistics, case studies, interviews, etc).</li> <li>Identify and explain how the writer of a satire uses understatement, exaggeration, hyperbole, or sarcasm to present and criticize aspects of society.</li> <li>Identify and explain how the writer of an argument organizes and develops an argument, through persuasive appeals and rhetorical strategies.</li> <li>Analyze an author's word choice and explain how the diction supports the text's purpose.</li> <li>Identify and explain logical fallacy in order to expose the weaknesses of an argument.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>RI.11-12.12.1,2,3,8,9</li> <li>RI.11-12.12.1,2,3</li> <li>RI.11-12.12.3,4,5,6</li> <li>RI.11-12.12.2,5,6</li> <li>RI.11-12.12.4</li> <li>RI.11-12.12.5</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>Writing</li> <li>7. Establish a claim that is clearly supported with evidence from research and anticipate counterclaims by acknowledging and responding to them.</li> <li>8. Create an organized framework of ideas through pre-writing and planning, utilizing graphic organizers or outlining.</li> <li>9. Compose and revise practice arguments, using peer editing and writing conferences to edit, expand, and enhance writing.</li> <li>10. Analyze and self-edit one's writing with a focus on diction, transitions, syntax, rhetorical devices, and organization in order to enhance cohesion and effectiveness.</li> <li>11. Create opening and closings to present, clarify, and complete and argument.</li> <li>12. Demonstrate competency in argument writing with an in-class, timed, AP style argument essay prompt.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>W.11-12.12.1a,b</li> <li>W.11-12.12.5</li> <li>W.11-12.12.4,5</li> <li>W.11-12.12.1c,d</li> <li>W.11-12.12.1e</li> <li>W.11-12.12.10</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>Speaking &amp; Listening</li> <li>13. Develop deeper understanding of texts through group analysis in Socratic Seminar, large and small group discussion.</li> <li>14. Improve one's own writing by considering feedback offered during small group peer editing.</li> <li>15. Consider classmates' statements and ideas and propel the discussion by asking for clarification when needed, as well as other questions.</li> <li>Language</li> <li>16. Identify and define words (using context clues and reference materials) from argument and satire to determine meaning of important vocabulary and their connotations/denotations.</li> <li>17. Identify and define key rhetorical and literary terms.</li> <li>18. Revise writing for sentence variety, punctuation, spelling, diction, and syntax.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>13. SL.11-12.12.1a,b,c,d; SL.11-12.12.3; SL.11- 12.12.4</li> <li>14. SL.11-12.12.1; SL.11- 12.12.3</li> <li>15. SL.11-12.12.1c,d</li> <li>16. L.11-12.12.1a,b; L.11-12.12.4a,b,c,d; L.11-12.12.5; L.11-12.12.5a,b; L.11-12.12.6</li> <li>17. L.11-12.12.3; L.11- 12.12.6</li> <li>18. L.11-12.12.1; L.11-12.12.2;</li> </ul>

# **Inter-Disciplinary Connections:**

- Students will have the opportunity to explore topics for argument in other disciplines, such as history and science.
- Students will study texts from American history, as well as the background on the historical text and political events that influenced writing.

#### Students will engage with the following text:

The Language of Composition, 1st or 2nd edition Suggested texts, can also be used as Socratic Seminar texts and mentor texts: Why Investing in Fast Food May Be a Bad Thing by Amy Domini Star Wars (review) by Roger Ebert from The C Word in the Hallways by Anna Quindlen Felons and the Right to Vote from the New York Times Editorial Board Why Can't Environmentalism Be Blind? by Jennifer Oladipo In College, These American Citizens Are Not Created Equal Terror's Purse Strings by Dana Thomas Not By Math Alone by Sandra Day O'Connor and Roy Romer from Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell The Declaration of Independence by Thomas Jefferson The Declaration of Sentiments by Elizabeth Cady Stanton Comment: Absurd Decision on Obama Makes a Mockery of the Nobel Peace Prize by Michael Binyon Letter from Birmingham Jail by Martin Luther King A Modest Proposal by Jonathan Swift Offensive Play: How Different are Dogfighting and Football? by Malcolm Gladwell Celebrity Bodies by Daniel Harris

#### Supplemental Texts:

Independent reading: Students will be provided with a list of titles from the teacher. They will choose one book off this list per marking period. Students will also read a class novel, assigned by the teacher. Students will be required to read independently throughout the school year.

Suggested Class Novels: The Kite Runner; The Things They Carried; The Book Thief

Provide students with scored AP style argument essays from College Board AP website

#### Students will write:

- Reader's Response to Literature: Entries in reader's/writer's notebook to class texts and independent reading selections
- Independent Reading Project Options: open-ended test, in-class essay, book review
- Two In-Class Timed (40 minutes) , AP Style Practice Essays with:
  - Clear claim that supports, refutes, or qualifies the topic
    - Support with evidence
    - Refuted counterclaim, when necessary
    - Persuasive appeals (logos, pathos, ethos)
  - Persuasive techniques (rhetorical and literary devices)

Accomodations/Modifications: assign specific topics based on ability, give checklists or step-by-step directions in writing, provide graphic organizers for brainstorming, provide examples of AP style argument essays, extend time on practice essays, provide a concise rubric prior to assignment.

# PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

# DESCRIBE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

# How will students uncover content and build skills.

#### Whole Group Instruction:

• Warm-ups: quick-writes; identify and analyze various argument and rhetorical strategies in short passages; grammar and usage minilessons

- Mini-lessons, Teacher Modeling, and Lecture: Annotation of text for diction, syntax, elements of argument, and rhetorical devices
- Cornell Notes: On lectures and readings

• Socratic Seminar: Using suggested texts to generate discussion on the impact of author's use of style, diction, syntax, and the argument's effectiveness

• Closure Activities: exit tickets; share one aspect of lesson learned and one aspect still unclear

Accommodations/Modifications: break lessons and information into smaller portions, provide and assist with graphic organizers, provide model outlines

#### Small Group Instruction:

- Text analysis, annotations, and citations: Work together to complete detailed annotations to use in Socratic Seminars
- Vocabulary In Context: Locating content specific words and describing why and how each is used in a specific piece
- Writing Workshop Conferences: Students will routinely share and edit each other's writing
- Book Talks/Literature Circles: Discussion on class novel
- Peer Editing: Students will evaluate each other's writing and provide constructive feedback

Accommodations/Modifications: assign cooperative learning groups and editing pairs/groups to ensure effective work and socialization, provide editing checklists, provide examples and lists of proper editing symbols, provide detailed and concise rubrics, model proper editing techniques

#### Individual Assignments:

• **Reader's/Writer's Notebook:** Routine writing on non-fiction and editorial writing, using vivid details, concise diction, including domain specific vocabulary to suit author's intended purpose.

• Writing Workshop: Argument Writing; Satire

• Vocabulary-In-Context: Students regularly record and define words found in context of various readings across content areas and in independent reading

• **Performance Assessment:** Using mentor texts, students will model an original satire after them. Students are to choose one social issue and create a satire in the style of one of the mentor texts. Students must display all the elements of argument, with the added element of satire. The satire can in written in essay format or can be an original visual with written elements. Students may also record a "Public Service Announcement", but must submit the "script." Assignment can be done in groups, per teacher discretion.

- Independent Reading: Students selected novels; class novel
- Socratic Seminar: Reading and annotating non-fiction works in preparation to discuss them with peers

#### Accommodations/Modifications: allow for extra time; peer mentoring

#### Technology:

- Use of SmartBoard to project PowerPoints, various pictures, texts, etc.
- Use of SmartBoard as an interactive tool to demonstrate how to annotate

# PART IV: EVIDENCE OF LEARNING IDENTIFY THE METHODS BY WHICH STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO APPLY SKILLS. IDENTIFY BLOOM'S LEVELS.

Evaluating Analyzing Applying Understanding Remembering

# Formative Assessments:

The following assessments will be used to gauge students' understanding of key concepts, as well as students' abilities to use their knowledge to engage in analysis and evaluation. These assessments require students to think independently as well as collaboratively. Teachers will use these assessments throughout the unit to determine where interventions and modifications are necessary in order to prepare students for summative and performance assignments.

- Quizzes and tests-vocabulary (Shostak), reading checks on individual works, grammar lessons, assessment of Cornell notes, rhetorical devices, rhetorical appeals, elements of argument
- Practice AP style questions
- Class discussion, observation, and questioning
- Individual and small-group conferences
- Socratic Seminars—written reflections, annotations (original and post-seminar), and participation
- Writing Workshop conferences; Writer's Notebooks
- Peer editing of writing in small groups
- Class discussion, observations and questioning

# Accommodations/Modifications:

Allow for extra time; peer mentoring

### Summative Assessments:

The following assessments will be used to evaluate students' abilities to recall and apply knowledge; analyze and evaluate text; and create their own text.

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- AP style final benchmark reading and multiple choice questions
- Reading: Argument Analysis and Elements of Argument, Novel
- Vocabulary: Cumulative vocabulary 4-6

Independent reading assessment: Based on reading response and analysis of elements studied in this unit

# **Accommodations/Modifications:**

Allow for extra time; peer mentoring

# Performance Assessments:

The following assessments require students to transfer knowledge in the creation of original work.

- Independent reading and annotations
- Performance Assessment: original satire
- AP-style argument essay

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# **PART I: UNIT RATIONALE**

# WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

Course/Unit Title:	Unit Summary:		
Advanced Placement	This unit addresses the skills of summary, analysis and critique, which will be used in		
Language and Composition	the synthesis research paper. Students will learn to use proper citations with an		
IV: Unit 3:	accompanying Works Cited, evaluate and select appropriate research on multiple sides		
Synthesis and Research	of the issue, and engage in the writing process. In addition, through close reading of text		
Grade Level(s):	and opportunities to experiment with various stylistic, rhetorical and syntactical		
12	strategies in Writer's Notebooks, students will continue to build on the analytical and compositional skills that were introduced in units one and two, while also utilizing these		
12	skills to find and hone their own style in writing. Awareness of the importance of		
	placement of words in syntactical structures following the conventions of grammar and		
	practice in effective placement will be the primary instructional goal in the craft of		
	writing. Acquiring and owning new vocabulary through context will be continued. This		
	unit will also continue practice with writing and analyzing argument with Toulmin's style		
	of argument, as well additional styles, as students begin to better understand, analyze,		
	and compose arguments.		
Essential Question(s):	Enduring Understanding(s):		
Reading- Informational and	Reading- Informational and Literature texts		
Literature texts			
	<ul> <li>Literature provides an essential tool in understanding issues of global</li> </ul>		
Why do we study literature?	importance.		
What are the recognizable	Annotating a literary work can further understanding and the ability to		
patterns in literature, and	determine relevance of a work.		
what do they tell us about	<ul> <li>Literature provides a mirror to help us understand ourselves and others by reflecting the bartener diversity and shellenges of our excitaty.</li> </ul>		
ourselves?	<ul> <li>reflecting the heritage, diversity, and challenges of our society.</li> <li>Expanding our vocabulary will result in improved reading comprehension.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Why does an author include specific details and strategies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Readers develop a deeper understanding of literature through reflection of</li> </ul>		
in a passage?	text.		
<ul> <li>How can understanding an</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Different types of texts (e.g. narrative, mystery, biography, expository,</li> </ul>		
author's use of rhetorical	persuasive) have different structures.		
devices and appeals help	<ul> <li>Understanding a text's structure helps one understand its meaning.</li> </ul>		
identify the author's purpose	• Stylistic devices and figurative language can be used in any time period to		
in writing?	convey meaning, and literary devices can enhance the reader's understanding		
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an author to create meaning,	imagery.		
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knowledge to aid in	figurative language, organization of text, use of appeals, characterization and		
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understanding, analyzing, and	and analyzing text such as annotation, inner voice, rhetorical triangle,		
comparing texts?	SOAPStone, and Toulmin's model can help a reader to gain insight into		
<ul> <li>How can independent reading</li> </ul>	increasingly difficult text.		
create fluency and increased	<ul> <li>Research requires students to become critical consumers of the media and</li> </ul>		
comprehension?	technology available to them.		
• How can literature be used as	Critical examination and evaluation of data is essential to making informed		

a vehicle for social justice?

 How does one analyze, evaluate, and utilize various resources?

# Writing-

- How does a writer use specific language/diction to create tone?
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#### decisions

• In research, we compare and discriminate between ideas, assess value of theories, and make choices based on reasoned argument.

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- Annotating text can aid in written analysis and in modeling text.
- Utilizing rhetorical appeals can enhance argument.
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- Writing is a multi-stage process that uses skills, strategies, and practices for revising and editing a variety of texts.
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- A reader can learn to be cognizant of the author's use of figurative language, imagery, diction, syntax, and rhetorical appeals to create the desired effect as well as inferring meaning; in addition, the reader should recognize that tone is created through selected and specific diction. These lessons can be applied to his/her own writing
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- Writers' choices affect their meaning and message.
- The audience with whom we are communicating shapes how we will communicate and the means through which we communicate.
- Media have embedded values and points of view.
- Studying, understanding, and articulating the use of language requires knowledge of appropriate terminology, such as diction, tone, logos, ethos, pathos, rhetoric, etc...

word correctly?

 Why is it necessary to assimilate specific vocabulary for study of aspects of language?

### Speaking and Listening-

- Why is listening part of speaking?
- How do we appropriately and respectfully express our opinions in a group setting, and how can we move beyond personal bias to acknowledge another perspective?
- How can we present and clarify ideas for an audience, and what are the components of successfully presenting an idea verbally?

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- Learning to actively listen, respectfully process others' opinions, and thoughtfully respond while remaining true to our own convictions is an ongoing process and is important in both college and career. Practicing in a classroom setting and giving and receiving appropriate feedback is beneficial for school and life.
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# PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

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<u>Learnir</u>	<u>g Target</u>	<u>NJCCCS</u>
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1.	Demonstrate creative, critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving skills.	1.LA. 11-12. RL. 12.1
2.	Read and analyze historical documents, novels, and modern texts to acquire an	2. LA. 11-12. RI.
	understanding of effective argumentation.	3. LA. 11-12.RL.11-12
3.	Establish a focus for research and develop a specific research plan to answer a specific	
	question.	4. LA. 11-12. RL . 12.2
4.	Analyze common strategies used in argument.	5. LA. 11-12. RL.7, RI.2,7
5.	Compare multiple (two or more) visual, written, or spoken texts, according to claim	6. LA. 11-12. RL. 12.2
	and data.	7. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.5
6.	Collect and evaluate scholarly articles and current event articles from databases.	8. LA. 11-12. RI.8-10
7.	Examine multiple sides of an issue through research and analysis.	9. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.2
8.	Apply understanding of the elements of argument (claim/data/warrant) to argument	LA. 11-12. RI. 12.3
0.		
•	essays and texts.	10. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.1
9.	Evaluate texts in terms of claim, data, warrant, and rhetorical devices.	LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
	Analyze and evaluate author's argument.	11. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
11.	Recognize and identify that genres have different structures and conventions.	12. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
12.	Analyze and evaluate an author's choices for a specific purpose, audience, and context.	LA. 11-12. RI. 12.6
12	Analyze the use of rhetorical devices in text, including figurative language; logos,	13. LA.11-12.RL.11-
15.		12.10a, .RI.11-12.1,
	ethos, and pathos; diction; tone; mood; anaphora; parallelism; and irony, to achieve	RI. 11-12.5, RI.11-12.8
	purpose, reach the audience, and account for the context.	14. LA. 11-12. RL. 12.1

14. Analyze reading and writing strategies used in order to deepen the understanding of the text, including text annotation, higher-level question writing and responding.

#### Writing

- 15. Construct an AP-style synthesis/argument essay with a clear claim that employs relevant data, addresses multiple sides of the issues, and includes the persuasive appeals.
- 16. Compose a synthesis-essay prompt that contains a clear question, appropriate introduction, and sources that address multiple sides of the issue.
- 17. Create a literary character analysis argument.
- 18. Model argument essays in order to understand different structures and writing strategies (i.e. use of logos, ethos, pathos)

#### Language-vocabulary and grammar

- 19. Distinguish between denotation and connotation of new vocabulary words in context; construct original uses of words demonstrating both denotations and connotations.
- 20. Evaluate the impact of word choice on tone and argument in text.
- 21. Evaluate and analyze choices in predication (i.e. active vs. passive voice) that enhance meaning, further argument, and contribute to style
- 22. Edit and revise their own and other's writing for proper grammar, usage, diction, syntax, and style.
- 23. Evaluate and utilize syntactical variation including corresponding punctuation, including clauses, phrases, active and passive verbs, and parallel structure.
- 24. Identify, analyze, and apply new vocabulary to a specific purpose.

#### Speaking and Listening

- 25. Apply knowledge of a culture in discussions of a corresponding literary work.
- 26. Discuss multiple sides of an issue.
- 27. Express analysis and evaluation of text in a small group and whole-class setting by sharing and collaborating on text annotation, proposing open-ended questions, and responding to analysis questions.
- 28. Clarify values and points of view through preparing for, articulating, and justifying opinions in Socratic Seminars.

LA. 11-12. RL. 12.2 LA. 11-12. RL. 12.5 LA. 11-12. RL. 12.6

12. W.12.4; LA.1112. W.4; LA.11-12. W.5; LA.11-12. W.12.6LA. 1112. W. 12.2
16. LA. 11-12. W. 12.1
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18. LA 11-12. W. 12.9

LA. 11-12. L. 12.4a, b
 LA. 11-12. L. 12.3
 LA. 11-12. L. 12.1a, b; 3a
 LA. 11-12. W. 12.4,5,6
 L.11-12.1,3a
 L.11-12.3 a

25. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.1c 26. LA. 11-12. SL.12.2 27. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.4 28. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3 Connections to history and current events

### Students will engage with the following texts:

#### Textbooks:

The Language of Composition, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Vocabulary Workshop (Shostak), Level G: Units 7-9

#### Suggested Mentor and Supplemental Texts:

- World Literature: Wislawa Szymborska's "In Praise of Feeling Bad About Yourself," Thucydides's "Funeral Speech of Pericles"
- **The Language of Composition, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition**: Chapter 4, "Synthesizing Sources: Entering the Conversation" including the "Culminating Conversation" and teacher selected articles; Chinua Achebe's "The Empire Fights Back," Henry David Thoreau's "Civil Disobedience",
- *Models For Writers: Short Essays for Composition*, 11<sup>th</sup> edition (Bedford/St. Martin's): Chapter 9, "Effective Sentences," Chapter 10: "Writing with Sources," Chapter 21 "Argument" (chapters include accompanying essays)
- **Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide,** Chapter 14, "Argumentation," "Debate: What is a Hate Crime," "Debate: How Open Should our Borders be?,"
- The Longman Writer: Part IV, "The Research Paper," Chapter 22, "Writing about Literature"
- **Elements of Argument**, Part Two, "Writing, Researching, and Presenting Arguments;" Part Three, "Multiple Viewpoints:" "How Has Terrorism Affected the American Idea of Justice?," "Are Limits on Freedom of Speech Ever Justified;" Part Four: "Classic Arguments:" "Warfare: An Invention—Not a Biological Necessity," "Crito"
- One Hundred Great Essays; for argument:
- Other supplemental texts: Yeats's "The Second Coming"
- AP-style practice tests

#### Suggested Novels (pair with book reviews to include argument and informational texts) :

July's People Things Fall Apart Hamlet The Things They Carried

#### Various news and media:

(e.g., CNN, The New York Times, Time Magazine, Newsweek, Fortune Magazine, Runner's World, Philadelphia Magazine, National Geographic, The New York Times Magazine, NPR, etc.)

#### **OTHER RESOURCES:**

Purdue Online Writing Lab Collegeboard.com articles and guizzes

#### Independent Reading:

(see suggested novels; student choice based on teacher preference)

#### Students will write:

Text annotations: Students will read actively for author's purpose, diction, rhetorical and stylistic devices, rhetorical appeals (logos, ethos, pathos) and elements of argument (claim, data, and warrant), students will include higher-level questions Writer's Notebook: book review style-practice; synthesis essay idea gathering; argument modeling text with revisions; author studies; experiments with style, syntax, rhetorical appeals, argu-writes, practice with using effective grammar, idea generating for writing pieces, practice with new techniques, craft honing, and reflections on progress as writers Reader's Response to literature: reading logs and annotations of texts studied in this unit, reflections on author's purpose and craft, claim-data-warrant

#### Persuasive: book review

Argumentation & Research: student-generated topic and prompt, sources from multiple sides of the issue, completed essay in response to prompt with citations and bibliography in MLA Format

# PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

# DESCRIBE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

# How will students uncover content and build skills.

### Suggested list of specific activities: Whole-Class Instruction:

- Note-taking (Cornell [optional] and annotation) on texts for style, rhetorical devices, purpose-audience-context, rhetorical appeals; on argument (claim-data-warrant); on rhetorical appeals, on characteristics of argument writing; historical background for novels
- **Socratic Seminars** heroes; topics addressed in persuasive speeches; importance of studying the past; style and diction in argument writing; civil disobedience; political leadership
- Mini-lessons, Teacher Modeling, and Lecture: Writing and revising argument essays, Annotation and analysis of argument, Identifying logos, ethos, pathos and claim-data-warrant; Analyzing the use of rhetorical devices, Applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor text; Background information on selected-novel
- Warm-Up Suggestion: "Term of the Day" keep a running list of rhetorical and literary terms choose an example that students will come across in that days' reading, show students an example before revealing what it is; ask them to explain "what they think is happening" in the example provided what does its purpose seem to be, what is the structure, etc. Then, attach the term to it and have students create their own, original example. This can also be done with punctuation and grammar constructions.

#### Small Group Collaboration:

Students will explore the following topics through collaborative activities such as *Think, Pair, Share; Placemat, and Jigsaw*:

- small group discussions on book reviews, speeches and novels; text analysis and annotations
- small group analysis of argument, specifically with analyzing author's choices in relation to claim-data-warrant
- peer editing book review essays, peer-editing argument essays
- discussions of relevance of a work to the individual
- annotations of individual and mentor texts

#### Individual Assignments:

- Writing Workshop continued development of style and voice; applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor texts culminating is a timed AP style synthesis essay
- **Reader's Response to Literature**: Students use reading notebooks annotations of above listed texts, identification of main ideas, questioning, mentor texts, reader's/writer's notebook- text responses narrative

modeling text, writer's craft, drafts, revisions, quick writes; developing questions and reinforcing comprehension; annotation of text for author's purpose and rhetorical/stylistic strategies

- AP-Style Synthesis Essay Research paper: Students will compile articles, choosing appropriate excerpts in order to create a synthesis binder to mimic the synthesis portion of the AP test; they will compose and support a position, utilize rhetorical appeals and devices as outlined in learning objectives; uses sources to support argument
- Grammar: active/passive voice; grammar analysis
- Vocabulary (Shostak) and in context: Units 7-9 (Shostak,) vocabulary log of words found in context of reading and used in context of instructional lessons.
- Independent Reading: student choice and annotation of text
- Suggested Performance Assessment: to align with independent reading and class reading: students can either choose one character and create an argument to challenge, defend, or qualify that character's actions, decisions, motives, etc., or students can choose two characters from the same or different stories to "pit against each other" arguing the merit of one character's actions, decisions, motives, etc. against the other. Students must provide textual evidence to support their reasoning, as well as other research to strengthen their argument. The assessment should include a written portion and can be presented however the teacher or student chooses. For example, a student could create a PowerPoint or Prezi, including visual aids, a physical poster, or a traditional argument essay. Sources should all be documented in MLA style, with appropriate reference information.

# PART IV: EVIDENCE OF LEARNING

IDENTIFY THE METHODS BY WHICH STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO APPLY SKILLS. IDENTIFY BLOOM'S LEVELS.



#### Formative Assessments:

The following assessments will be used to gauge students' understanding of key concepts, as well as students' abilities to use their knowledge to engage in analysis and evaluation. These assessments require students to think independently as well as collaboratively. Teachers will use these assessments throughout the unit to determine where interventions and modifications are necessary in order to prepare students for summative and performance assignments.

- Quizzes and tests-vocabulary (Shostak), reading checks on individual works, grammar lessons, assessment of Cornell notes, rhetorical devices, rhetorical appeals, elements of argument
- Practice AP style questions
- Class discussion, observation, and questioning
- Individual and small-group conferences
- Socratic Seminars—written reflections, annotations (original and post-seminar), and participation
- Writing Workshop conferences; Writer's Notebooks
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- Performance Assessment challenging, defending, or qualifying a character's actions, decisions, motives, etc.
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IV: Unit 4:	context, and they are adept at identifying and analyzing text, style, and context. They
All-together now: The Craft	will apply these skills when they take the AP Language and Composition exam, in their
of Reading and Writing	continued reading of narrative, expository, and argument texts, and to the writing of
Grade Level(s):	their own original pieces. They will continue to hone their personal writing styles,
12	utilizing conventions of language and structure to achieve their purposes. The year with
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essays and texts.	10. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.1
9. Evaluate argument texts in terms of claim, data, warrant, and rhetorical devices.	LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
10. Justify author choices in style and organization in relation to purpose-audience-	11. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
context.	12. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
11. Assess why genres have different structures and conventions.	LA. 11-12. RI. 12.6
12. Analyze and evaluate an author's choices for a specific purpose, audience, and	
context.	13. LA.11-12.RL.11-
13. Assess the use of rhetorical devices in text, including figurative language; logos, ethos,	
and pathos; diction; tone; mood; anaphora; parallelism; and irony, to achieve purpose	, RI. 11-12.5, RI.11-12.8
reach the audience, and account for the context.	14. LA. 11-12. RL. 12.1
14. Synthesize reading and writing strategies used in order to deepen the understanding	LA. 11-12. RL. 12.2
of the text, including text annotation, higher-level question writing and responding.	LA. 11-12. RL. 12.5
	LA. 11-12. RL. 12.6
Writing	
15. Construct an argument essay with a clear claim that employs relevant data, addresses	15. LA. 11-12. W. 12.2
multiple sides of the issues, and includes the persuasive appeals.	16. LA. 11-12. W. 12.1
16. Compose a personal narrative that utilizes a specific organizational structure, includes	17. LA. 11-12. W. 12.5
	18. LA 11-12. W. 12.9

	the elements of fiction, and demonstrates the student's individual style.	
17	Compose short responses to evaluate text.	
	Model argument and narrative essays in order to understand different structures and	
10.	writing strategies (i.e. use of logos, ethos, pathos, characterization, etc)	
Langua	age-vocabulary and grammar	
19.	Distinguish between denotation and connotation of new vocabulary words in context	
	Evaluate the impact of word choice on tone.	19. LA. 11-12. L. 12.4a, b
21.	Evaluate and analyze choices in passage construction that clarify meaning.	20. LA. 11-12. L. 12.3
22.	Edit and revise their own and other's writing for proper grammar, usage, diction,	21. LA. 11-12. L. 12.1a, b; 3a
	syntax, and style.	22. LA. 11-12. W. 12.4,5,6
23.	Evaluate and utilize syntactical variation including corresponding punctuation,	23. L.11-12.1,3a
	including clauses, phrases, active and passive verbs, and parallel structure.	24. L.11-12.3 a
24.	Identify, analyze, and apply new vocabulary to a specific purpose.	
Speaki	ng and Listening	
25.	Apply knowledge of language in discussions of literary works.	
26.	Discuss, entertain, and evaluate multiple sides of an issue.	
	Express analysis and evaluation of text in a small group and whole-class setting by	25. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.1c
	sharing and collaborating on text annotation, proposing open-ended questions, and	26. LA. 11-12. SL.12.2
	responding to analysis questions.	27. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.4
28	Clarify values and points of view through preparing for, articulating, and justifying	28. LA. 11-12. SL. 12.3
20.	opinions in Socratic Seminars.	
	opinions in sociatic seminars.	

# Inter-Disciplinary Connections:

History- background for selected novel/drama

# Students will engage with the following texts:

Textbooks: The Language of Composition Vocabulary Workshop (Shostak), Level G: Units 10-12

Suggested Mentor and Supplemental Texts:

- World Literature: Sophocles' Oedipus Rex, Hamlet (Shakespeare)
- The Language of Composition: Lori Arviso, "Walking the Path Between Worlds," Lan Cao, from Monkey Bridge, Zora Neale

Hurston, "Sweat," Tim O'Brien, "On the Rainy River;" Peter Berkowitz and Michael McFaul's "Studying Islam, Strengthening the Nation," Naomi Shihab Nye's "For Mohammed Zeid of Gaza" and "Why I Could Not Accept Your Invitation," Courtland Milloy, "Pride to One is Prejudice to Another"

- *Models For Writers: Short Essays for Composition*, Thematic Clusters: "Personal Dilemmas," "Peer Pressure," "Writing about Writing," "Life's Decisions," "Sense of Place," "Sense of Self"
- Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide, Thematic Guide: "Family Relationships," "Ethics"
- Other supplemental texts: selections from Machiavelli's *The Prince*, "This is Water" and other selected commencement speeches
- AP-style practice tests

#### Suggested Novels/Plays:

Hamlet Things Fall Apart Cry, Beloved Country The Kite Runner The Book Thief Angela's Ashes Oedipus

#### Various news and media:

(e.g., CNN, The New York Times, Time Magazine, Newsweek, Fortune Magazine, Runner's World, Philadelphia Magazine, National Geographic, The New York Times Magazine, NPR, etc.)

#### **OTHER RESOURCES:**

Purdue Online Writing Lab Collegeboard.com articles and quizzes

#### Independent Reading:

(see suggested novels; student choice based on teacher preference)

#### **Students will write:**

**Text annotations:** Students will read actively for author's purpose, diction, rhetorical and stylistic devices, rhetorical appeals (logos, ethos, pathos) and elements of argument (claim, data, and warrant), students will include higher-level questions **Writer's Notebook**: narrative essay writing workshop; argument modeling text with revisions; author studies; experiments with style, syntax, rhetorical appeals, practice with using effective and purposeful grammar, idea generating for writing pieces, practice with new techniques, craft honing, and reflections on progress as writers

**Reader's Response to literature**: reading logs and annotations of texts studied in this unit, reflections on author's purpose and craft, claim-data-warrant

**Timed Writing:** rhetorical analyses, argument, synthesis in preparation for AP exam in early May

Narrative: memoir

Persuasive: Commencement speech

# PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

# DESCRIBE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

# How will students uncover content and build skills.

# Suggested list of specific activities:

Whole-Class Instruction:

- Note-taking (Cornell and annotation) on texts for style, rhetorical devices, purpose-audience-context, rhetorical appeals; on argument (claim-data-warrant); on rhetorical devices (examples and effects of use), on author's style; historical background for novels
- **Socratic Seminars** style and diction; redemption; coming-of-age; fate; family, character motivation(s); emphasis on challenging ideas and questioning
- Mini-lessons, Teacher Modeling, and Lecture: Writing and revising argument and narrative essays, Annotation and analysis of argument and narration, Identifying logos, ethos, pathos and claim-data-warrant; Analyzing the use of rhetorical devices, applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor text focusing on personal style and voice; background information on selected-novel

#### Small Group Collaboration:

Students will explore the following topics through collaborative activities such as *Think, Pair, Share; Placemat, and Jigsaw*:

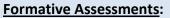
- Lit circles/jigsaw on independent reading texts; connecting themes and big ideas; archetypal themes, characters, and symbols in synthesizing informational, literature, and visual sources
- Peer-conferencing of essays for ideas, conventions, and editing
- small group discussions on essays and novels; text analysis and annotations; characteristics of memoir
- small group analysis of argument, specifically with analyzing author's choices in relation to claim-data-warrant and purpose-audience-context
- peer editing essays
- holistic grading / evaluation of essays

#### Individual Assignments:

- Writing Workshop continued development of style and voice; applying and experimenting with strategies from mentor texts, incorporation of appeals and tropes and schemes in memoir and commencement speech
- **Reader's Response to Literature**: Students use reading notebooks annotations of above listed texts, identification of main ideas, questioning, mentor texts, reader's/writer's notebook- text responses narrative modeling text, writer's craft, drafts, revisions, quick writes; developing questions and reinforcing comprehension; annotation of text for author's purpose and rhetorical/stylistic strategies
- Memoir and commencement speeches (Writing Workshop)
- **Grammar**: grammar and punctuation analysis; experimentation with syntax
- Vocabulary (Shostak) and in context: Units 10-12 (Shostak,) vocabulary log of words found in context of reading and used in context of instructional lessons, word walls
- Independent Reading: student choice and annotation of text

# PART IV: EVIDENCE OF LEARNING

IDENTIFY THE METHODS BY WHICH STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO APPLY SKILLS. IDENTIFY BLOOM'S LEVELS.



The following assessments will be used to gauge students' understanding of key concepts, as well as students' abilities to use their knowledge to engage in analysis and evaluation. These assessments require students to think independently as well as collaboratively. Teachers will use these assessments throughout the unit to determine where interventions and modifications are necessary in order to prepare students for summative and performance assignments.

Creating Evaluating

Analyzing

Applying

Understanding

Remembering

- Quizzes and tests-vocabulary (Shostak), reading checks on individual works, grammar lessons, rhetorical devices, rhetorical appeals, elements of argument
- Class discussion, observation, and questioning
- Individual and small-group conferences
- Socratic Seminars—written reflections, annotations (original and post-seminar), and participation
- Writing Workshop conferences; Writer's Notebooks
- Class discussion, observations and questioning

# Accommodations/Modifications:

Allow for extra time and help; peer mentoring

# Summative Assessments:

The following assessments will be used to evaluate students' abilities to recall and apply knowledge; analyze and evaluate text; and create their own text.

- Writing: Commencement speech, Personal Narrative Memoir, timed AP essays
- Reading: Argument Analysis, Narrative Structures and styles; Novel and/or Drama
- Vocabulary: Cumulative vocabulary 1-12
- Independent reading assessment: Based on reading response and analysis of elements studied in this unit.

# Accommodations/Modifications:

Allow for extra time and help; peer mentoring

# Performance Assessments:

The following assessments require students to transfer knowledge in the creation of original work.

• Commencement Project: Annotation and rhetorical analysis of commencement speeches, creation of essential question answered in original commencement speech and audio-visual presentation directed at classmates and utilizing quotes from the year's readings.

# **Accommodations/Modifications:**

Allow for extra time and help; peer mentoring