



Middle School Curriculum*
Language Arts

	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
6th	<p>Introductions, Expectations, Structures</p> <p>Literary Terms</p> <p>Non-fiction texts - Common Lit</p> <p>Saints Project research component Informative</p>	<p>Literary Terms</p> <p>Non-fiction texts - Common Lit</p> <p>Saints Project writing component Informative</p> <p><u>Becoming Naomi Leon</u></p>	<p><u>Becoming Naomi Leon</u> writing component expository</p> <p>Structure of five-paragraph essay with thesis statements</p>	<p><u>Becoming Naomi Leon</u> writing component expository</p> <p>Edit a paper for structure and purpose</p> <p>1st Trimester Ends</p>	<p>Greek Mythology</p> <p>Allusions to Greek Mythology</p> <p>Writing - Greek monster-creative writing</p>	<p>Writing - Greek monster-creative writing</p> <p><u>The Little Prince</u> Literary terms - symbolism, allusions etc in novel</p> <p>Compare/Contrast Writing - book/movie</p>	<p><u>The Little Prince</u></p> <p>Compare/Contrast Writing - book/movie</p> <p>Plays\Public speaking and acting in plays</p> <p>2nd Trimester ends</p>	<p>Plays - The Last Supper and Ancestors</p> <p>Public speaking and acting in plays</p> <p>Poetry</p>	<p>Poetry - <u>Peak</u></p> <p>Non-fiction reading</p> <p>Writing: Creative</p> <p>Literary Terms</p>	<p><u>Peak</u></p> <p>Writing: Creative</p> <p>Literary Terms throughout the year</p> <p>End of year</p>
7th	<p>Introductions, Expectations, Structures</p> <p><u>Boys in the Boat: Young Readers Edition</u></p> <p>Writing: Narrative</p> <p>Saints Project writing component Informative</p>	<p>"Adolescence" Unit w/Short Stories & Poetry</p> <p>Writing: Opinion: Thesis Statements</p> <p>Saints Project writing component Informative</p> <p>MAP testing</p>	<p>"Adolescence" Unit w/Short Stories & Poems</p> <p>Writing: Opinion: Thesis Statements</p>	<p>Mock Trial Involvement</p> <p>Short Stories</p> <p>1st Trimester Ends</p>	<p><u>The Giver</u></p> <p>Reading & Analyzing text</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Analytical Writing- 3-part thesis</p>	<p>Holocaust/Anne Frank</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Awareness Project: Informative Writing, Public Speaking, Synthesis</p> <p>MAP Testing</p>	<p>Holocaust/Anne Frank</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Awareness Project: Informative Writing, Public Speaking, Synthesis</p> <p>2nd Trimester ends</p>	<p>Holocaust/Anne Frank</p> <p><u>The Outsiders</u></p> <p>Writing: Creative</p> <p>Awareness Project: Informative Writing, Public Speaking, Synthesis</p>	<p><u>The Outsiders</u></p> <p>Writing: Creative</p> <p>Awareness Project: Informative Writing, Public Speaking, Synthesis,</p> <p>MAP Testing</p>	<p><u>The Outsiders</u></p> <p>Writing: Creative</p> <p>End of year</p>

8th	<p>Introductions, Expectations, Structures</p> <p>Summer Reading <u>Chasing Lincoln's Killer</u></p> <p>Writing: Narrative, Writing Process</p> <p>Works Cited, MLA format</p>	<p>Dystopian Novel Literature Circles Unit</p> <p>Reading and Analyzing Text, Annotations</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Writing Process Parenthetical Citations</p> <p>MAP testing</p>	<p>Dystopian Novels Literature Circles Unit</p> <p>Reading and Analyzing Text, Annotations</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Writing Process</p> <p>Parenthetical Citations</p> <p>MLA format</p>	<p>Mock Trial Persuasive Writing</p> <p>1st Trimester Ends</p>	<p>Poetry Unit (reading, analyzing, & writing)</p> <p>Poetic forms, poetic elements</p> <p>Figurative Language</p> <p>Writing: Informative/ Expository</p>	<p>Poetry Unit (reading, analyzing, & writing)</p> <p>Poetic forms, poetic elements</p> <p>Figurative Language</p> <p>Writing: Short Response -MAP Testing</p>	<p>Holocaust/Parallel Journeys</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative</p> <p>Annotation, 3-part thesis, Writing Process, parenthetical citations, works cited, MLA format</p> <p>2nd Trimester ends</p>	<p>Holocaust/Parallel Journeys</p> <p>Writing: Argumentative Annotation, 3-part thesis, Writing Process, parenthetical citations, works cited, MLA format</p> <p>DC Trip</p>	<p>Research Paper</p> <p>Writing: Informative/ Technical writing</p> <p>Writing process, 3-part thesis, parenthetical citations, works cited, MLA format</p> <p>Short Stories, elements of short story writing, common literary elements</p> <p>MAP Testing</p>	<p>No Regular Classes Graduation Prep</p> <p>End of Year</p>
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