**Honors English Grade 9** 

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**BOARD ADOPTION OF STATE STANDARDS: September 2012; Revised 2016** 

Unit Overview (Standards Coverage)				
Unit	Standards	Unit Focus	Skills Overview	Suggested Pacing
Unit 1	NJSLSA.R1. NJSLSA.R2. NJSLSA.R3. NJSLSA.R4. NJSLSA.R9. NJSLSA.W2. NJSLSA.W4. NJSLSA.W9.	How do our experiences shape who we are as individuals and influence our individual choices?	Read actively to identify/compare themes Analyze characters Identify/compare conflicts Analyze tone Analyze mood Make inferences Write a proper thesis statement Incorporate textual evidence into writing Use proper MLA format	One marking period
Unit 2	NJSLSA.R2. NJSLSA.R3. NJSLSA.R4. NJSLSA.R5. NJSLSA.R6. NJSLSA.W3.	How do our experiences shape who we are as individuals and influence our perception of the world around us?	Utilize plot structure Develop a conflict within writing Utilize correct dialogue format Identify impact of point of view Utilize characterization Identify symbolism	One marking period
Unit 3	NJSLSA.R1. NJSLSA.R2. NJSLSA.R6. NJSLSA.R9. NJSLSA.W1. NJSLSA.W4. NJSLSA.W9.	How do our experiences shape who we are as individuals and influence our contribution to society?	Identify how literary elements develop theme Incorporate direct quotes Paraphrase effectively Utilize a valid source in performance task Incorporate secondary sources Successfully support thesis statement	One marking period
Unit 4	NJSLSA.R1. NJSLSA.R2. NJSLSA.R3. NJSLSA.R4. NJSLSA.R5. NJSLSA.W4.	How do our experiences shape who we are as individuals and influence our relationships?	Identify uses of monologue, soliloquy, and aside Identify foil characters Analyze uses of irony	One marking period

This document outlines in detail the answers to the following four questions:

- 1. What do we want our students to know?
  - 2. How do we know if they learned it?
- 3. What do we do if they did not learn it?
- 4. What do we do when they did learn it?

Unit 1 English I				
Content & Practice Standards (write in full)	Interdisciplinary Standards	Critical Knowledge & Skills		
LA.RL.9-10.1 - [Progress Indicator] - Cite strong and	SOC.9-12.1.1.1 - Compare present and past events to	Read actively and independently to identify/compare		
thorough textual evidence and make relevant	evaluate the consequences of past decisions and to	themes		
connections to support analysis of what the text says	apply lessons learned.	Analyze characters		
explicitly as well as inferentially, including		Identify/compare conflicts		
determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.		Analyze tone		
LA.RL.9-10.2 - [Progress Indicator] - Determine a		Analyze mood		
theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its		Write a proper thesis statement		
development over the course of the text, including how		Incorporate textual evidence into writing		
it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific		Use proper MLA format		
details and provide an objective summary of the text.				
LA.RL.9-10.3 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze how				
complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or				
conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a				
text, interact with other characters, and advance the				
plot or develop the theme.				
LA.RL.9-10.4 - [Progress Indicator] - Determine the				
meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the				
text, including figurative and connotative meanings;				
analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices				
on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a				
sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or				
informal tone).				
LA.RL.9-10.9 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze and				
reflect on (e.g., practical knowledge,				
historical/cultural context, and background				
knowledge) how an author draws on and transforms				
source material in a specific work (e.g., how				
Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from mythology				
or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by				
Shakespeare).				
LA.W.9-10.2 - [Progress Indicator] - Write				
informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey				
complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and				
accurately through the effective selection,				
organization, and analysis of content.				

LA.W.9-10.4 - [Progress Indicator] - Produce clear			
and coherent writing in which the development,			
organization, and style are appropriate to task,			
purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations			
for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)			
LA.W.9-10.9 - [Progress Indicator] - Draw evidence			
from literary or nonfiction informational texts to			
support analysis, reflection, and research.			
Unit 1 English I			
Stage 1 – Desired Results			
Unit Summary		CORE AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL	LS/RESOURCES (OPEN RESOURCES)
In Unit 1, students will learn that a similar theme can be found in multiple		*Animal Farm	

In Unit 1, students will learn that a similar theme can be found in multiple literature pieces. The purpose of the unit is to identify the common theme and support this theme with appropriate evidence in an independent writing assignment.

\*Lord of the Flies

\*A Long Way Gone

The Most Dangerous Game Escape From Afghanistan Cask of Amontillado

A Poison Tree

\*Summer Reading Books

#### Understandings

Students will understand that personal experiences have the ability to shape an individual's choices and reactions to situations.

Students will know	Students will be able to
Authors use literary devices to develop a theme.	Analyze characters:
Characters develop and change throughout a text.	Independently identify protagonist and antagonist
Multiple conflicts occur within individual literature pieces.	Evaluate the protagonist's change and the impact on the resolution
Tone is developed through word choice.	Evaluate the antagonist and the impact on the protagonist
Mood and tone are different and are examined through word choice, setting,	Compare similarities between characters across multiple texts
and subject matter.	
Authors present similar themes across genres.	Analyze conflict:
A thesis statement has an arguable opinion and support.	Independently identify conflicts
Effectively incorporate textual evidence to demonstrate skills and themes.	Evaluate character motivations and impact on plot
A formal essay must be written in proper MLA format.	Connect resolution of story to the lesson learned
	Analyze tone:
	Independently identify author's purpose

Evaluate the author's word choice and how this word choice develops the tone Independently identify words in reading piece that create the tone

Analyze mood:

Identify impact and effect of setting on characters and plot Evaluate word choice

**Analyze theme:** 

Independently identify theme of work based on literary devices Identify textual evidence to support theme Identify common themes among works

**Develop research simulation task:** 

Write a proper thesis statement with an arguable theme and supporting details Incorporate textual evidence into writing- quote or paraphrase Use proper MLA format

## **Stage 2 – Assessment Evidence**

### Performance Tasks:

Research Simulation Task with three pieces: focus on textual evidence. Students will write an essay identifying similar themes between multiple texts utilizing textual evidence. Other Evidence (Alternate Assessments):

Anticipation Guides, Guided Reading Packets, Station Presentation Reviews, Teacher Observation, Projects, Independent Reading/Analyzing Cold Material, Journals, Annotation Charts, Quizzes, Skill-based tests, Text-Based Short Answers, Textual Evidence Practice, Benchmark

### Stage 3 – Learning Plan

- 1. Assess incoming ability to identify a theme using summer reading.
- 2. Anticipatory activities: anticipation guides, journals, informational video clips, etc
- 3. Model active reading utilizing the skill set that contributes to theme: characterization, mood, conflict, tone.
- 4. Utilize active, independent reading to analyze skill set.
- 5. Student-directed learning groups to discuss and evaluate skill set.
- 6. Participate in student-led discussions to assess comprehension and understanding.
- 7. Practice finding appropriate textual evidence related to skill set using graphic organizer.
- 8. Practice identifying a common theme in a short in class writing.
- 9. Independently find common theme between two literature pieces.
- 10. Complete a research simulation task using three literature pieces to identify a common theme and support that theme with appropriate evidence. This final performance based assessment will be graded using a rubric.

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Writing Lab

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**Incorporate visual cues** 

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### 504s:

Adhere to specifications in individual 504 plans.

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### SPED:

Read 180 (HS only)

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# Curricular Framework – <mark>Honors English Grade 9</mark>

Skills groups and practice via small group instruction	
Use of graphic organizers to complete assignments	
Appropriate level text	

Unit 2 CONTENT GRADE/COURSE			
Content & Practice Standards	Interdisciplinary Stan	dards	Critical Knowledge & Skills
LA.RL.9-10.2 - [Progress Indicator] - Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details and provide an objective summary of the text. LA.RL.9-10.3 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.  LA.RL.9-10.4 - [Progress Indicator] - Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).  LA.RL.9-10.5 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create specific effects (e.g., mystery, tension, or surprise).  LA.RL.9-10.6 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.	·	pare present and past events to nces of past decisions and to	Utilize plot structure Develop a conflict within writing Utilize correct dialogue format Identify impact of point of view Utilize characterization Identify symbolism
		TENT GRADE/COURSE	
	Stage 1 – Desired Results		
Unit Summary Core and Supplemental Materials/Resources (open resources)			ALS/RESOURCES (OPEN RESOURCES)
In Unit 2, students will learn how to write a narrative. The purpose of the unit is to utilize point of view and plot structure to effectively write an independent narrative.		The Scarlet Ibis A Brother's Crime 1984	
Understandings			
Students will understand that our experiences determine how we view the world around us.			

Students will know	Students will be able to
Flashbacks impact the plot structure	Evaluate how the use of a flashback impacts the plot structure of a story
Point of view shapes a story	
Structure, sequence, and use of time within a reading impact the theme	Analyze point of view:
Character motives advance the plot	Independently identify point of view
Symbolism helps to develop a theme	Determine the impact of point of view on the plot
Correct use of dialogue in a narrative	Evaluate how a story would be different if told from a different point of view
	Evaluate how a character's motives impact the plot and create conflicts
	Analyze symbolism:
	Identify symbols and their significance in relation to the story
	Evaluate the impact of the symbols on theme
	Utilize correct dialogue format when writing a narrative
Stage	2 – Assessment Evidence
Performance Tasks:	Other Evidence (Alternate Assessments):
Narrative Writing Task: focus on creating a narrative essay based on	Anticipation Guides, Guided Reading Packets, Station Presentation Reviews, Teacher
alternate points of view or alternate endings.	Observation, Projects, Independent Reading/Analyzing Cold Material, Journals,
	Annotation Charts, Quizzes, Skill-based tests, Alternate Ending Organizer, Alternate
	Point of View Practice, Benchmark

# Stage 3 – Learning Plan

- 1. Anticipatory activities: anticipation guides, journals, informational video clips, etc
- 2. Model active reading utilizing the skill set that contributes to narrative: plot structure, conflict, dialogue, point of view, characterization, symbolism.
- 3. Utilize active, independent reading to analyze skill set.
- 4. Student-directed learning groups to discuss and evaluate skill set.
- 5. Participate in student-led discussions to assess comprehension and understanding.
- 6. Discuss and evaluate how the point of view affects the structure and content of the literature piece.
- 7. Identifying important symbols and making a connection to plot and theme.
- 8. Complete a narrative writing using effective narrative elements. This final performance based assessment will be graded using a rubric.

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LA.RL.9-10.1 - [Progress Indicator] - Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain. LA.RL.9-10.2 - [Progress Indicator] - Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details and provide an objective summary of the text. LA.RL.9-10.6 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.  LA.RL.9-10.9 - [Progress Indicator] - Analyze and reflect on (e.g., practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from mythology or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare)  LA.9-10.W.9-10.1 - [Progress Indicator] - Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.  LA.W.9-10.4 - [Progress Indicator] - Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)  LA.W.9-10.9 - [Progress Indicator] - Draw evidence from literary or nonfiction informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	SOC.9-12.1.3.2 - Evaluate sources for validity and credibility and to detect propaganda, censorship, and bias SOC.9-12.1.3.3 - Gather relevant information from multiple sources representing a wide range of views (including historians and experts) while using the date, context, and corroborative value of the sources to guide the selection.	Identify how literary elements develop theme Incorporate direct quotes Paraphrase effectively Utilize a valid source in performance task Find credible sources Incorporate secondary sources Successfully support thesis statement		
· ·	Unit 3 CONTENT GRADE/COURSE			

Stage 1 – Desired Results		
Unit Summary	CORE AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS/RESOURCES (OPEN RESOURCES)	
In Unit 3, students will learn how to write a literary analysis essay. The purpose of the unit is to utilize literary skills to determine a theme, as well as support a well written thesis statement with textual evidence and secondary sources.  1984  The Odyssey		
U	NDERSTANDINGS	
Students will understand that our personal experiences impact our contribution to society.		
Students will know	Students will be able to	
A theme develops throughout a text.	Determine a central theme of a novel	
Author's use effective textual evidence.	Identify and extract specific textual evidence over the course of a work that demonstrates	
Successful writing effectively incorporates textual evidence.	the central theme	
How to identify a valid source.	Create an argument to prove how the theme is developed	
All parts of an effective essay relate to the thesis	Develop an appropriate thesis statement based on the aforementioned argument	
	Successfully support thesis statement throughout an essay	
	Incorporate paraphrases within a body paragraph	
	Evaluate the validity of a secondary source	
	Independently find a credible secondary source	
	Incorporate a valid secondary source in the essay	
Stage 2 -	Assessment Evidence	
Performance Tasks:	Other Evidence (Alternate Assessments):	
Literary Analysis Task: focus on how a literary element develops a theme	Anticipation Guides, Guided Reading Packets, Station Presentation Reviews, Teacher	

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# Stage 3 – Learning Plan

- 1. Anticipatory activities: anticipation guides, journals, informational video clips, etc.
- 2. Model active reading utilizing the skill set that contributes to literary analysis: literary elements.
- 3. Practice paraphrasing assigned material
- 4. Utilize active, independent reading to analyze skill set.
- 5. Student-directed learning groups to discuss and evaluate skill set.
- 6. Participate in student-led discussions to assess comprehension and understanding.
- 7. Direct instruction on valid secondary sources (reliable v. unreliable).
- 8. Independently perform research using the media center databases

- 9. Independently find a credible and valid secondary source
- 10. Evaluate where the secondary source information will work best in essay
- 11. Complete a literary analysis performance task using effective writing elements. This final performance based assessment will be graded using a rubric.

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purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)		
101 ming types are defined in standards 1 c above.)	Unit 4 ELA GRADE/COURSE	
Stage 1 – Desired Results		
Unit Summary  Core and Supplemental Materials/Resources (open resources)		

In Unit 4, students will understand that a drama is different from other types of genres by examining dramatic elements. The purpose of the unit is for students to demonstrate understanding of dramatic elements through creative expression.

Romeo and Juliet

#### Understandings

Students will understand that our personal experiences affect our relationships with others.

Students will know	Students will be able to
Literary elements are presented in a drama	Identify uses of monologue, soliloquy, and aside based on specific traits of each type of
Characterization develops through the use of dramatic elements	speech
Irony helps to develop a suspense	Evaluate what a speech device reveals about the character
	Determine why a particular speech device is needed in a scene
	Paraphrase assigned speeches
	Evaluate character traits to identify foils
	Analyze uses of irony and how irony develops suspense

# Stage 2 – Assessment Evidence

#### Performance Tasks:

Verbal Expression Task- focus on presenting a clear and coherent argument related to themes within the drama. (Who is to blame? How could events have been prevented?)

Other Evidence (Alternate Assessments):

Anticipation Guides, Guided Reading Packets, Station Presentation Reviews, Teacher Observation, Projects, Journals, Annotation Charts, Quizzes, Skill-based tests, Benchmark

# Stage 3 – Learning Plan

- 1. Anticipatory activities: anticipation guides, journals, informational video clips, etc
- 2. Model active reading utilizing the skill set that contributes to drama: structure, dialogue, characterization, speech devices, irony.
- 3. Students will read and interpret text independently.
- 4. Student-directed learning groups to discuss and evaluate skill set.
- 5. Participate in student-led discussions to assess comprehension and understanding.
- 6. Paraphrase assigned speeches to demonstrate understanding.
- 7. Determine central themes with specific supporting textual evidence.
- 8. Present thematic findings to class with specific examples. Be able to support opinion with clear language.

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