Course Title: Reading and						
Curriculum Guide Descrip						
Reading Complex Texts RL/RI8.10		Scope and Sequence Writing W8.1-W8.10		Speaking and Listening SL8.1-SL8.6	Language L8.1-L8.6	Assessments
Texts: Glencoe Reader supported with informational pieces that mentor and support students' understanding and writing. Poems that relate to theme.	2-3 extended texts per quarter (novels that are supplemented with informational text that aligns to the content)	Daily Writing Routine (W.8.9) (RL/RI.8.2)	2-4 Analysis per quarter that analyze unit theme(s). (RL/RI.8.1 and W.8.9)(W.8.4, 8.5 and L.8.1-3)	Daily communication and collaboration (one-on-one, small groups, teacher led, presentations), (SL8.1- 8.2, 8.4, 8.5, .6)	Daily review of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage for writing and speaking	Explanatory essays Argumentative Essays Narrative Essays Pre/Post Quarterly Exams Speech Presentations Reading Responses Active/Interactive Worksheets Quizzes
Unit 1 Theme: Flashes of Insight This explains how flashes of insights are based on experiences that come together to produce new insights. Stories: *Treasure of Lemon Brown *Homelessness * Thank You in Arabic Non-fiction Articles	Close Reading, Writing to Learn, Working with Evidence, Content Vocabulary	Daily Writing journal/respons e to show evidence of their application of reading strategies.	Narrative Essay – A time when students judged something by appearance. Explanatory Essay – New insight on homelessness and cultures.	Class/group discussions Literature Circle (Honors) Written Response Presentations	Compound/complex sentences. Etymology of word & use of context clues. Suffixes Adjectives Prepositional Phrases Dialogue Irregular Verbs	Quarterly Exam Narrative Essay Explanatory Essay Graphic Organizers Presentations Active/Interactive Worksheets Spelling/Vocabulary Tests

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Unit 2 – Free to Be Theme – The focus of the second nine-weeks deals with freedom and what freedom has meant to Americans over the centuries. Extended Texts – Across 5 Aprils By Irene Hunt My Brother Sam is Dead by James Lincoln Collier (Honors) Short texts – Drummer Boy of Shiloh by Ray Bradbury Non Fiction Articles Poetry	Close Reading strategies Historical Fiction Informational Articles Discussions Content Vocabulary	Daily writing to demonstrate understanding of reading of short and extended texts Understanding symbolism	Poems – On Freedom Argumentative Essay based on facts and ideas gathered through text readings. Letter Writing	Literature Circle (Honors) Written Response Discussions on a variety of topics & issues Speaking	Pronouns Multiple Meaning Words Compound/Complex Sentences Etymology of words Context Clues Punctuation (Commas)	Quarterly Exams Argument Essay Poetry Literature Circles (Honors) Public Speaking Active/Interactive Worksheets Quizzes Tests
Unit 3 - Adolescent Years Theme - The third nine-weeks takes a closer look at friendships, family relationships, and social class structures in life. Extended Text - The Outsiders By S.E. Hinton	Close Reading Strategies Class/Group Discussions Informational Articles	Daily Writing that supports understanding of characters, actions, theme, plot) Understanding figurative language	Explanatory Essay Narrative Essay Autobiography	Class/Group Discussions Written Response Speech Presentation	Content Vocabulary Conjugation of verb tenses Paraphrasing Using precise verbs and adjectives Antecedents Pronoun Usage	Quarterly Exams Explanatory Essay Narrative Essay Autobiography Speech Presentation Active/Interactive Work-sheets

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New Course Scope and Sequence Template

Short Text - Stuck In Neutral By Terry Trueman					1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd person writing	Tests Quizzes
Unit 4 – Society's mistreatment of the mentally disabled. Theme – the fourth nineweeks brings awareness of intelligence in human relationships, how people lean on one another for love and support, and obstacles people with a disability encounter. Extended Text – "Flowers for Algernon" short story By Daniel Keyes	Close Reading Strategies Non Fiction Informational Articles Discussions	Daily Writing of short and extended text that illustrates application of reading strategies and comprehension that includes predicting, visualizing, inferring, summarizing, and connecting. Responding to text questions	Argumentative Essay Research Essay: Mental Disability	Class/Group Discussions Written Response Speech Presentation: Mental Disability	Content Vocabulary Conjugation of verb tenses Paraphrasing Writing descriptive sentences Figurative Language	Quarterly Exams Argumentative Essay Research Essay: Mental Disability Speech Presentation Active/Interactive Worksheets Tests Quizzes

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