Beginning of the Year: Writer's Moves (Weeks 1-2)

Essential Questions:

• How do authors create powerful writings?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
Short Texts: 1. "Tiny Stories"	 Short Writings: a. Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Extended Writing: a. Your assignment is to write a story of 100-150 words which models the writer's moves studied in class. (Graded via rubric)_ 	Writing Standard 1-Write arguments 2-Write informative texts 4-Organization 5-Planning/Revising 6-Technology 9-Evidence from literary texts 10-Write routinely

Unit One: The Individual and Society (Weeks 3-9)

Essential Questions:

- How can one remain an individual and stay connected to society?
- What role does individualism play in American society?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
 Short Texts: 1. Emily Dickinson poetry 2. "Hamadi" by Naomi Shihab Nye 3. "Two Kinds" by Amy Tan 4. Various Mentor Texts of Literary Criticism Extended Text: <i>House on Mango Street</i> by Sandra Cisneros 	 Reading Quizzes over short texts Short Writings: Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Select ONE of the pieces of fictional literature studied in this unit and create an expository writing of literary criticism. Use evidence from the literature. Model the writing after the mentor texts we studied. Extended Writing: Create your own personal vignette using the OWP "slowing down a moment" activity 	Reading for Informational Text1-Cite textual evidence3-Analyze how ideas interact4-Determine meaning of words as used intext6-Determine author's purpose7-Multiple sources10-Text complexityReading for Literature1-Cite textual evidence2-Determine themes3-Analyze author's choices4-Determine meaning of words as used intext6-Analyze irony9-Analyze foundational American lit10-Text complexityWriting Standard1-Write argument2-Write informative texts3-Write narrativeSpeaking Standard1-Collaborative DiscussionLanguage Standard1-Demonstrate conventions of grammar2-Demonstrate conventions of spelling3-Apply knowledge of language4-Determine meaning through context

Unit Two: Power, Protest and Change (Weeks 13-18)

Essential Questions:

- How can literature create change?
- Why are words sometimes more powerful than actions?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
 Short Texts: 1. "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?" by Frederick Douglass 2. "Ain't I a Woman?" by Sojourner Truth 3. "Yellow Wallpaper" by Charlotte Perkins Gilman 4. "Story of an Hour" by Kate Chopin 5. Harlem Renaissance poetry 6. Various Mentor Texts of Argumentative Writing Extended Text: The Crucible by Arthur Miller 	 Reading Quizzes over short texts and sections of extended text Short Writings: Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Create an expository paragraph which includes research about the impact of Harlem Renaissance on literature and art. Extended Writing: Your assignment is to write a multi- paragraph argumentative essay that uses the mentor texts as a model. 	Reading for Literature1-Cite textual evidence2-Determine themes3-Analyze author's choices4-Determine meaning of words as used intext5-Analyze structure6-Analyze irony/sarcasm9-Foundational American literature10-Text complexityWriting Standard1-Write arguments2-Write informative texts4-Organization5-Planning/Revising6-Technology9-Evidence from literary texts10-Write routinelySpeaking Standard1-Collaborative DiscussionLanguage Standard1-Demonstrate conventions of grammar2-Demonstrate understanding offigurative language6-Acquire domain specific words

Unit Three: American Identity (Weeks 19-24)

Essential Questions:

• Why do readers react differently to the same piece of literature?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
 Short Texts: 1. Maya Angelou poetry Extended Text: 1. <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> by Zora Neale Hurston 	 Reading Quizzes over text Short Writings: Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Create a full-page advertisement for the Local Newspaper, The Florida Times where you describe the town and reasons why people should move there Write a 2-page analysis about how Joe exhibits signs of "gaslighting." Use text evidence from both <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> and the article to explain your response 	Reading for Literature1-Cite textual evidence2-Determine themes3-Analyze author's choices4-Determine meaning of words as used intext6-Analyze irony10-Text complexityWriting Standard2-Write informative texts9-Evidence from literary texts10-Write routinelySpeaking Standard1-Collaborative DiscussionLanguage Standard1-Demonstrate conventions of grammar2-Demonstrate conventions of spelling4-Determine meaning through context
	 3. Extended Writing: a. Create an expository essay from a list of prompts. Student choose which prompt they want to use. 	

Unit Four: The Power of Place (Weeks 25-32)

Essential Questions:

- How does place influence an author's choices?
- How does environment impact one's identity?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
 Short Texts: Robert Frost poetry Mary Oliver poetry Carl Sandburg poetry "Knoxville, Tennessee" by Nikki Giovanni "A Rose for Emily" by William Faulkner "To Build a Fire" by Jack London "The Man to Send Rain Clouds" by Leslie Marmon Silko Various Expository Mentor Texts 	 Reading Quizzes over texts Short Writings: Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Create poem that mirrors one of the poet's styles Extended Writing: Create a narrative essay that demonstrates the power of a place; use the mentor text as a model. 	Reading for Literature1-Cite textual evidence2-Determine themes3-Analyze author's choices4-Determine meaning of words as used intext5-Analyze structure6-Analyze irony/sarcasm9-Foundational American literature10-Text complexityWriting Standard2-Write informative texts4-Organization5-Planning/Revising6-Technology9-Evidence from literary texts10-Write routinelySpeaking Standard1-Collaborative DiscussionLanguage Standard1-Demonstrate conventions of grammar2-Demonstrate understanding offigurative language6-Acquire domain specific words

Unit Five: Dystopian Tales (Weeks 33-36)

Essential Questions:

• How does American literature portray a dystopian society?

Texts/Resources	Assessments/Performance Tasks	Standards
 Short Texts: 1. Various Savvas poems 2. "By the Waters of Babylon" by Stephen Vincent Benet 3. "The Pedestrian" by Ray Bradbury 	 Reading Quizzes over sections of text Short Writings: Multiple Writer's Notebook Entries via Ohio Writing Project Prompts Extended Writing: Book Creator Project about characteristics of a dystopian society 	Reading for Literature1-Cite textual evidence2-Determine themes3-Analyze author's choices4-Determine meaning of words as used intext5-Analyze structure6-Analyze irony/sarcasm9-Foundational American literature10-Text complexityWriting Standard1-Write arguments4-Organization5-Planning/Revising6-Technology9-Evidence from literary texts10-Write routinelySpeaking Standard1-Collaborative DiscussionLanguage Standard1-Demonstrate conventions of grammar2-Demonstrate understanding offigurative language