

Optional 34-Week Plan

Essentials in Writing and *Essentials in Literature* together in one 60-90 minute class period
Teachers and/or students can decide which to complete first and which to complete second each day.

When the plan indicates to **Repeat Assignments for Essentials in Writing, students will write another composition of the same kind according to a different prompt/topic. Compositions may be written in one or two class periods, or in the time period allotted.*

| | Essentials in Writing 8 | Essentials in Literature 8 |
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| Week 1 | Sentence Structure Lessons 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C | Fiction Introduction Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 |
| Week 2 | Lessons 4A, 4B, 5, 6A, 6B | "Stop the Sun" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 3 | Lessons 7, 8, 9, 10A, 10B | "A Mother in Mannville" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 4 | Lessons 11, 12 Paragraphs Lesson 13 | "The Ransom of Red Chief" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 5 | Lessons 14, 15, 16, 17 | One-Week Break |
| Week 6 | <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 14</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 15</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 16</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 17</i> | "Checkouts" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 7 | One-Week Break | "Raymond's Run" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |

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| Week 8 | Lesson 18 Personal Narrative Lessons 19, 20 | "The Treasure of Lemon Brown" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 9 | Lessons 21, 22 | <i>Fiction Summative Assessment</i> Break |
| Week 10 | Lessons 23, 24, 25 | Nonfiction Introduction Days 1-2 |
| Week 11 | Summary Lessons 26, 27 | "Louisa's Civil War" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 12 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> Personal Narrative Lessons 21-25 | "Roughing It" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i> |
| Week 13 | One-Week Break | "Top Ten Touring Areas" Days 1-5 |
| Week 14 | Compare/Contrast Business Letter Lessons 28, 29, 30, 31A, 31B | One-Week Break |
| Week 15 | Persuasive Essay Lessons 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 | "Virginia Hamilton" Days 1-5 |
| Week 16 | Lessons 37, 38, 39 | "The Jews Are to Blame!" Days 1-5 |
| Week 17 | Midterm Break | <i>Nonfiction Summative Assessment</i> Midterm Break |

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| Week 18 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> Summary Lessons 26, 27: Write a summary of a book or article of your choice. | Novel Night Days 1-5 |
| Week 19 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> Compare/Contrast Business Letter Lessons 28-31B | Section One Days 6-9 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 6 activity]</i> |
| Week 20 | Expository Essay Lessons 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 | Section Two Days 10-13 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 10 activity]</i> |
| Week 21 | Expository Essay Lessons 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 | Section Three Days 14-16 <i>[Students can take 1-3 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 14 activity]</i> |
| Week 22 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> Persuasive Essay 4 Days - Lessons 32-39 | Section Four Days 17-19 <i>[Students can take 1-3 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 17 activity]</i> |
| Week 23 | One-Week Break | Section Five Days 20-23 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 20 activity]</i> |
| Week 24 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> Expository Essay Lessons 40-49 | <i>Novel Summative Assessment</i> |
| Week 25 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay</i> | Novel Culminating Activity |
| Week 26 | One-Week Break | One-Week Break |
| Week 27 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay</i> | Poetry Introduction Days 1-4 |

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| Week 28 | One-Week Break | "Mother to Son"/ "Mother O' Mine" Days 1-5 |
| Week 29 | <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay | "I Am in Need of Music" / "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening" Days 1-5 |
| Week 30 | One-Week Break | One-Week Break |
| Week 31 | Research Paper Lessons 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 | "Sarah Cynthia..." Days 1-5 |
| Week 32 | Lesson 55 - Research | "I'm Nobody! Who Are You?" / "Sonnet 18" Days 1-5 |
| Week 33 | Lessons 56, 57, 58, 59, 60 | "The Lady of Shalott" Days 1-4 |
| Week 34 | Lessons 61, 62, 63, 64 | <i>Poetry Summative Assessment</i> |