

Information for Course Syllabus

Name of Course: English

Grade Level: Eighth

School: Robertsville

Major Assignments: Amplify Units of Study (8A and 8C), three modes of writing, culminating book study PBL

Abbreviated Book Studies: *Witches! The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem*, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*, *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Giver*, *Chasing Lincoln’s Killer*, *All But My Life* and selected readings from the Holocaust

Field Trips: Tentative Field Trips - Clarence Brown Theatre’s production of *A Christmas Carol* in December & Lincoln Memorial Museum in spring

How can parents access instructional materials? Materials can be accessed through Canvas. TN standards-alignment documents can be accessed on the ORS website [here](#). Links to the middle school ELA curriculum can be accessed [here](#).

Grade Term	Unit Topics	State Standards
1	Amplify 8A: Perspectives & Narratives (Short Story Unit) Writing: Narrative Short Stories: “Thank You, M’am”	8.RL/RI KID 1, 8.RL/RI KID 2, 8.RL/RI KID 3, 8.RL/RI.CS.4, 8.RL/RI.CS. 5, 8.RL/RI.CS.6, 8.W.TTP.2, W.TTP.3, 8.W.RBPK.8, 8.W.RBPK.9, L.VAU.4, 8.L.CSE.1,8.L.CSE.2

	<p>“The Medicine Bag” “An Hour with Abuelo” “The Landlady” + Selected readings from CommonLit</p> <p>Novel Study: <i>Witches, The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem</i></p> <p><i>Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots</i> workbook</p> <p>Mechanics, Usage, & Grammar Supplemental Materials</p>	
2	<p><i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl</i></p> <p>Advanced: Free Choice Library</p> <p>Novel Study: <i>A Christmas Carol</i></p> <p>Selected readings from CommonLit</p> <p>Writing: Informational Essay</p> <p><i>Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots</i> workbook</p> <p>Mechanics, Usage, & Grammar Supplemental Materials</p>	<p>8.RI.KID.1, 8.RI.KID.2, 8.RI.KID.3, 8.RI.CS.4, 8.RI.CS.5, 8.RI.CS.6, 8.RI.IKI.7, 8.RI.IKI.9, 8.SL.CC.3, 8.W.TTP.1, 8.W.TTP.2, L.VAU.4, 8.L.CSE.1, 8.L.CSE.2</p>
3	<p>Amplify 8C: Science & Science Fiction – <i>Frankenstein</i></p> <p>Novel Study: <i>Chasing Lincoln’s Killer</i></p> <p>Selected readings from CommonLit</p>	<p>8.RL.CS.4, 8.RL/RI.CS. 5, 8.RL.CS.6, 8.RL.KID.1, 8.RL.KID.2, 8.RL.KID.3, 8.RL.IKI.7, 8.RL.IKI.9, 8.W.RBPK.9, 8.W.TTP.1, 8.TTP.2, 8.W.TTP.3, 8.L.VAU.4, 8.L.VAU.5, 8.L.CSE.1, 8.L.CSE.2</p>

	<p>Writing: Argumentative Essay</p> <p><i>Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots</i> workbook</p> <p>Quill (Mechanics, Usage, & Grammar)</p>	
4	<p>TNReady Test Prep</p> <p><i>Night</i>, & the Holocaust (selected readings), <i>All But My Life</i>,</p> <p>Novel Study: <i>The Giver</i>, <i>The Outsiders</i></p> <p>Selected readings from CommonLit</p> <p>Culminating Book Review PBL</p> <p><i>Vocabulary from Latin and Greek Roots</i> workbook</p> <p>Mechanics, Usage, & Grammar</p>	<p>Culmination of standards covered in Terms 1-3</p> <p>8.RL.KID.1, 8.RL.KID.2, 8.RL.KID.3, 8.W.RBPK.7, 8.W.RBPK.8, 8.RI/RL.CS.4, 8.RI/RL.CS.5, 8.RI/RL.CS.6, 8.W.RBPK.9, 8.L.CSE.1, 8.L.CSE.2, 8.L.VAU.4, 8.L.VAU.5</p>