

Weeks	Dates	Writing Unit	Reading Unit	Books	Mentor Texts/Movies	Writing Standards	Reading Standards
1	Aug. 17-18	Writing About Reading	Dystopian	Legend By Marie Lu	<i>The Lottery</i>	W 8.1, 8.9, 8.10	RL 8.1-8.10
2	Aug. 21-24	Writing About Reading	Dystopian	Divergent Veronica Roth	<i>The Veldt</i>	SL 8.1-8.6	SL 8.1-8.4
3	Aug. 28- Sept.1	Writing About Reading	Dystopian	<i>Choice Novels</i>	<i>All Summer in a Day</i>	L 8.1-8.3 & 8.6	L 8.1-8.6
4	Sept. 5-8	Writing About Reading	Dystopian		<i>Ponies</i>		
5	Sept. 11-15	Narrative Writing	Dystopian				
6	Sept.18-22	Narrative Writing	Dystopian		<i>Hunger Games</i>		
7	Sept. 25-29	Narrative Writing	Dystopian				
8	Oct. 2-6	Informational Writing	Dystopian				
9	Oct. 2-6	Informational Writing	Dystopian				
Quarter End 10	Oct. 10-13	Informational Writing	Dystopian				
11	Oct. 16-20	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	<i>Online Resources/Books</i>	<i>Anne Frank, Diary of a Young Girl</i>	W 8.1-8.10	RI 8.1-8.10
12	Oct. 23-27	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research		<i>Chasing Lincoln's Killer</i>	SL 8.1-8.6	
13	Oct. 30-Nov. 3	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research		<i>Hidden Figures</i>	L 8.1-8.6	
14	Nov. 6-10	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research		<i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i>		
15	Nov. 13-17	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research				
	Thanksgiving						
16	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	Creative Writing	Contemporary Fiction	<i>New Kid</i>			
17	Dec. 4-8	Creative Writing	Contemporary Fiction	<i>Choice Novels</i>			
18	Dec. 11-15	Creative Writing	Contemporary Fiction				
Quarter End 19	Dec. 18-21	Creative Writing	Contemporary Fiction				
	Christmas Break						
20	Jan. 8-12	Informational Writing	Historical Fiction	Book Thief	<i>Refugee</i>	W 8.3-8.9	RL 8.1-8.10
21	Jan. 16- 19	Informational Writing	Historical Fiction	<i>Copper Sun</i>	<i>All Summer in a Day</i>	SL 8.1-8.6	
22	Jan 22-26	Informational Writing	Historical Fiction	Boy in the Striped Pajamas		L 8.1-8.6	
23	Jan. 29-Feb. 2	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
24	Feb. 5-Feb 9	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
25	Feb.12-15	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
26	Feb.20-23	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
27	Feb 26- Mar 1	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
Quarter End 28	March 4-8	Literary Essay	Historical Fiction				
29	March 11-15	Investigative Journalism	Literary Nonfiction	Born A Crime YA	<i>Anne Frank, Diary of a Young Girl</i>	W 8.2-8.9	RI 8.1-8.9
30	March 18-22	Investigative Journalism	Literary Nonfiction		<i>Chasing Lincoln's Killer</i>	SL 8.1-8.6	
31	March 25-28	Investigative Journalism	Literary Nonfiction		<i>Hidden Figures</i>	L 8.1-8.6	
32	April 8-12	Investigative Journalism	Literary Nonfiction		<i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i>		
33	April 15-19	Investigative Journalism	Literary Nonfiction				
34	April 22-26	Memoirs	Literary Nonfiction				
35	April 29- May 3	Memoirs	Literary Nonfiction				
36	May 6-10	Memoirs	Literary Nonfiction				
37	May 13-17	Memoirs	Literary Nonfiction				
Quarter End 38	May 20-23						

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4	Sept. 5-8	4	Writing About Reading	Dystopian	
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6	Sept.18-22	5	Narrative Writing	Dystopian	
7	Sept. 25-29	5	Narrative Writing	Dystopian	
8	Oct. 2-6	5	Narrative Writing	Dystopian	
9	Oct. 2-6	5	Narrative Writing	Dystopian	
Quarter End 10	Oct. 10-13	4	Narrative Writing	Dystopian	
11	Oct. 16-20	5	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	<i>Online Resources/Books</i>
12	Oct. 23-27	5	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	
13	Oct. 30-Nov. 3	5	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	
14	Nov. 6-10	4	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	
15	Nov. 13-17	5	Position Papers/Argument	Essential Research	
	Thanksgiving	0			
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Resources	
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1accr_MAzNzoR83H5iuHGdLtK5_j_flr-/view?usp=share_link	Informational Rubric
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Gp0SNf4qrcJcqChMfJeKa3oh04d32e-9/view?usp=share_link	Narrative Rubric
https://storywritingacademy.com/creative-writing-prompts-middle-school/	Creative Writing Prompts
https://littlemiamischools-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/jhorvath_lmsdoh_org/EvoCnZF4A41CmKd0vc2QddMBZztqWUZQpeg-lq55UphC4w?e=2XO0eJ	7th Grade Narrative Writing Resources

Resources	
https://storywritingacademy.com/creative-writing-prompts-middle-school/	Creative Writing Prompts
8th Grade Writing Position Papers PP Bend 1	Power Point
8th Grade Writing Position Paper PP Bend 2	Power Point
8th Grade Writing Position Paper Lesson Plans	Lesson Plans
8th Grade Writing Position Papers Overview	Position Papers Unit Overview

Resources
Power Points/Lesson Plans
8th Writing Unit Literary Essay
8th Grade Writing The Literary Essay Overview.docx
Thematic Essay Resource
https://crla8.weebly.com/thematic-essay.html

Resources**Power Points/Lesson Plans**

[8th Writing Investigative Journalism](#)

[8th Grade Writing Investigative Journalism Overview.docx](#)

Memoir Lesson Plans

<https://www.louisianabelieves.com/docs/default-source/teacher-toolbox-resources/ela-grade-7---how-to-write-a-memoir-1-0-unit.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

Memoir- See binder for autobiographies from Studysync