English 11 (College Prep)

For all units, literature and composition may be modified from year to year - some titles may be added, removed, or changed, but kept at a similar lexile level, purpose, and literary period. Writing assignments may be modified from year to year to ensure academic honesty, address students' developmental needs, and relate to changes in the literature studied.

First Quarter (Including Summer Assignment)

Unit One - Making Decisions (Individual)

Essential Questions
How do we make important decisions?
What are the consequences of the decisions we and others make?

Summer Assignment
1. Write a persuasive piece encouraging someone to make the right decision.
2. Read a novel from my list and take note of the important decisions the protagonist makes, as well as the consequences of those actions.
3. Follow-up assignment when school starts: write a literary analysis discussing the choices made by the protagonist, the reasons for them, and the consequences.

Start of School
1. Pre-Assessment
2. Setting First Semester Goals (to be used throughout, but culminating in an end-of-semester portfolio showcasing a variety of work)

Literature
The Book of Lost Things   Summer
The Great Gatsby   Summer
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time   Summer
Snow-Flower and the Secret Fan   Summer
A Separate Peace   Summer

"Working at Wendy's" or alternative (literary nonfiction)
"The War at Home" or alternative (literary nonfiction)

Concepts
Narration, structure, and craft
Characterization, foreshadowing, irony, conflict
Career connections
Literary present tense

Composition
Summer Paper
Short personal narrative
Literary analysis
Persuasive essay

Assessments

Pre-Assessment
Vocabulary and Grammar Quizzes
Reading Quizzes
See also Composition (above)
Semester and Final Exams

Common Core Standards
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Quarter 1 (continued) and Quarter 2

Unit Two - Leaders and Community Members (Individual and Society)

Essential Questions
What makes a good leader?
What are the responsibilities of the citizen?
What is human nature?

Literature
"The Prince" by Machiavelli
JFK's Inaugural Address
Declaration of Independence
"Give Me Liberty" speech, Thomas Paine
"A Modest Proposal" Swift
"On Population" Malthus
"Ain't I a Woman" Truth
Gettysburg Address, Lincoln
Lord of the Flies, Golding

Listening
Bill Gates: inequalities in the world
Steve Jobs: don't waste time, live your life
Admiral William H. McRaven: make your bed, changing lives of 10 people

Speaking
It is our (or my) responsibility to ___ (Persuasive)

Concepts
Rhetorical techniques: anaphora, asyndeton, polysyndeton, rhetorical question, parallelism, etc.
Listening skills
Literary terms: allegory, irony, pathetic fallacy, foreshadowing, characterization, motif, theme
Tone
Literary present tense

Composition

Literary Analysis
Persuasive and argumentative pieces
Career connections
Responses to meaningful quotations/ mini research pieces
Speech

Assessments
Vocabulary and grammar quizzes
Collins Writing
Literary Analysis
ACT prep
Speech
Reading quizzes and tests
Portfolio/ self-assessment
Semester and final exams

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