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Unit	Unit 1: Informational Texts (3 weeks)
Essential Question	Question that drives student inquiry for the unit - How do we, as readers, become critical thinkers by reading informational texts?
Big Idea	Answers the essential question. It declares what you want the students to understand. - Readers become critical thinkers by learning new things and by developing self awareness. - (Self awareness themes; empathy, emotions, phobias, fear, instincts, embarrassment, rejection, courage, and bravery)
Concepts (key knowledge)	What students WILL KNOW as a result of the instruction - Critical vocabulary from mentor texts - Vocabulary strategies: synonyms and antonyms, prefixes - Nonfiction text features - Author's purpose (inform, persuade, entertain) - The difference between paraphrasing and citing research - The importance of not plagiarizing - Author's use different text structures when presenting information
Competencies (key skills)	What students will be able to DO as a result of the instruction - Use critical vocabulary in academic discussions - Interpret new vocabulary words using prefixes - Interpret new vocabulary words using synonyms and antonyms as context clues - Use text features to navigate informational texts - Use text features to make and correct predictions - Identifying the central idea of a paragraph / selection - Analyze author's purpose - Paraphrase and quote research - Correctly cite research - Use sentence starters when having a discussion - Participate in small and whole group discussions - Identify organizational patterns in informational texts

	- Analyze author's use of dashes and introductory commas								
Dates	Smart Objectives (mini steps to reach the competencies and concept)	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA Standards (CC)	PSSA Anchors (E)	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary			
August/ September	- Activate prior knowledge by answering: Why is it important for critical thinkers to read informational texts? - Explain why author's write (author's purpose) - Identify common nonfiction text features - Use prefixes as a vocabulary strategy to understand unfamiliar words - Use text features to navigate informational text. - Identify the central idea of a paragraph by synthesizing the supporting details within - Use sentence starters when having a discussion - Discuss how text features support the reader's understanding - Cite evidence to support analysis of the text	"Fears and Phobias" (unit 1) - Jigsaw reading - Think-pair-share - Model using subheadings and text features to identify the central idea - Model reading strategies - Check your understanding - Analyze the text - Small group discussion	CC.1.4.6.D CC.1.5.6.C CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.2.6.B CC.1.4.6.E.1 CC.1.4.6.E.3 CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.2.6.E CC.1.4.6.X	E06.E.1.1 E06.B-C E06.B-K	E06.E.1.1.1 E06.E.1.1.2 E06.B-C.2.1.2 E06.B-K.1.1.1 E06.E.1.1.4 E06.E.1.1.3	Unit Academic vocabulary: evident, factor, indicate, similar, specific Use prefixes that mean "not" to define unfamiliar words. Critical vocabulary: activate, turbulence, trigger, immaturity Introduce cultural references: emotional reaction, public speaking, "get used to", takeoff			

Analyze how writers use dashes.Discuss the theme (overcoming fear.)					
- Identify organization and structure of informational text. - Use text features to make, correct, and confirm predictions. - Discuss with a partner the organizational features of the text - Use commas after introductory elements. - Differentiate between paraphrasing and quoting - Gather information from credible sources, then present the information using paraphrasing and appropriate source citation.	"Embarrassed? Blame Your Brain (Unit 1) - Three minute review (group summary and clarifying questions) - Think-pair -share - Discuss organizational patterns - Use information text features to understand the central idea - Model reading strategies - Check your understanding - Analyze the text - Small group discussion	CC.1.2.6.FCC. 1.2.6.G CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.A CC.1.2.6.E CC.1.4.6.W	E06.B-V.4.1 E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1	E06.B-V.4.1.1 c E06.B-C.2.1.2 E06.B-C.2.1.3 E06.B-K.1.1.2	Synonyms and antonyms Critical vocabulary: essential, amplify, generate, humiliation Cultural references: fitting in, tackle a challenge, hurt feelings, broken hearted, tug-of-war, potty break
- Analyze the purpose of a video Understand the visual and sound elements used in a video.	Wired for Fear (unit 1 video) - Sticky note peer review - Think-pair-share - Interpret the video with and without the sound, how do the subtitles support the creator's	CC.1.5.6.D CC.1.4.6.U CC.1.4.6.Q.3 CC.1.5.6.F CC.1.5.6.C CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.2.6.D	E06.B-C.2.1	E06.B-C.2.1.1	Critical vocabulary: visuals, sound, media, stills, animation, music, narration

Resources	- F e p	Discuss with a group the central ideas and purpose of the video, using the critical cocabulary Research a physical effect of fear and then present , texts, videos, internet site ed: My Friend in Learning (main ideas				Cultural references: on the lookout, false alarm, orders a stand down, spring into action	
	- F	Fears and Phobias (Unit 1 Embarrassed? Blame You Vired for Fear (U1))	е друпсанопа					
Formative Assessments	- T ti n	What evidence (product and/or performance) will be collected to establish that content and skills are being learned? - Teacher check for understanding, whole group discussion, think-pair-share, station activities (jigsaw, carousel), at-the-bells, exit tickets, writing tasks, check your understanding, selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, visual representations (web or concept maps), analogy prompts, oral questioning, follow-up probes, misconception check, independent reading and reflecting - Selection test, Vocabulary check, oral informative presentation							
Summative Assessments	1	dence (produce and/or per Selection quizzes/tests, ess							
Strategies for ELL and IEP Support - 1:1 support, chunking, shortened essay and questions, translations offered, adapted texts provided, push-in/pull-out support, word banks, shortened multiple choice questions and options, choice of a partner/group, guided notes, co-teaching, communication with ESL & special education teachers, visuals to correspond with notes/activities, use sentence frames, word webs, flash cards, numbered heads, carousel							in/pull-out notes,		
Acceleration Strategies		Dig deeper into the top Build toward an alterna Challenge students with	gh-DOK post-reading questions ic with a "Connect" activity for	and activities. the post-reading	Research project	·			

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Unit	Unit 2: Realistic Fiction (4 weeks)						
Big Ideas	Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - Reading helps us embrace each other's differences because it allows us to see the world from different perspectives and so respect everyone's unique challenges. - (Bullying, intolerance, compassion, disabilities, differences, empathy, respect)						
Essential Understandings	Statements summarizing important ide - How does reading help us em	as and core processes that are central to brace each other's differences?	the unit or concept	and have lasting va	llue beyond the clas	ssroom.	
Competencies	The main ideas or skills students are expected to master - Identify the theme or message of a story - Analyze how the structure of a text supports the writer's purpose - Provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions - Use relevant evidence from text(s) to support claims, opinions, ideas, and inferences and demonstrate an understanding of the text(s). - analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone. - Use precise language and domain specific vocabulary - Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot. - Use sentence starters to participate in a discussion						
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA Standards (CC)	PSSA Anchors (E)	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary	
October	The Ravine: (5 days) - Critical vocabulary: murky, rivulet, cascade, precipice - Cite textual evidence; make inferences. - Determine a theme or central idea. - Describe story elements	 Model how to run literature circles Direct instruction Guided practice Think-pair-share Pinwheel discussion Modeled discussion Fishbowl discussion Reflections 	CC.1.4.6.D CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.4.6.K.1 CC.1.4.6.B CC.1.4.6.E.1 CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X	E06.E.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-C.2.1	E06.E.1.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.E.1.1.6 E06.E.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.E.1.1.4 E06.A-C.2.1.2	Plot arc Exposition Conflict Character traits Character motivation Character development Inferences Setting Mood	

	and structure. Determine the meaning of words and phrases from their context. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions. Verify preliminary determination of the meaning of a word; consult reference materials.					Rising action Climax Falling action Resolution Theme Summary Context clues
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Resources	Materials, texts, videos, internet sites, - Ed: My Friend in Learning (HI - Book clubs/ literature circles - Counting by 7s by H - Out of My Mind by S - Rules by Cynthia Lo - Scrawl by Mark Shu - Stargirl by Jerry Spir	MH), Schoology, Google Applications olly Goldberg Sloan sharon M. Draper rd Iman nelli				

Formative Assessments	- T ta	 Vhat evidence (product and/or performance) will be collected to establish that content and skills are being learned? Teacher check for understanding, whole group discussion, think-pair-share, station activities (jigsaw, carousel), at-the-bells, exit tickets, writing tasks, check your understanding, selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, visual representations (web or concept maps), analogy prompts, oral questioning, follow-up probes, misconception check, independent reading and reflecting 						
Summative Assessments		ence (produce and/or performance) will be collected to determine that content and skills have been learned? selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, analyze the text comprehension questions, writing tasks,						
Strategies for ELL and IEP Support		What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to provide accommodations and modifications to support students? - 1:1 support, chunking, shortened essay and questions, translations offered, adapted texts provided, push-in/pull-out support, word banks, shortened multiple choice questions and options, choice of a partner/group, guided notes, co-teaching, communication with ESL & special education teachers, visuals to correspond with notes/activities, use sentence frames, word webs, flash cards, numbered heads, carousel						
Acceleration Strategies		What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to help advance students closer to grade-level expectations Use the following selection-aligned resources to support your Pre-AP/Honors program. Preview and select High-DOK post-reading questions and activities. (TE pages 72–73) Dig deeper into the topic with an "Extend" activity for the post-reading Research project (SE page 72) Build toward an alternative end-of-unit task with Media Projects: "Create a Vlog." (available online) Challenge students with HMH Leveled Text by selecting additional, unit-aligned readings at stretch Lexile levels (available online) Connect the conversation to today with HMH Current Events connections. (available online)						

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Unit / Concept	Unit 3: Persuasive/ Argumentative (3 weeks)					
Big Ideas	- It is important for readers to ι	Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - It is important for readers to understand the structure of an argument so that we can develop respect for different perspectives, evaluate arguments based on logic and bias, and clearly persuade other people of our own opinions.					
		eveloping empathy, understanding differer tion, survival, nature, animal rights, pets, e					
Essential Question		eas and core processes that are central to critical readers, to understand the structure		and have lasting va	llue beyond the clas	ssroom.	
Key Learning Objectives & Skills	The main ideas or skills students are expected to master - Analyze Text Structure - Determine Key Ideas - Identify Claims in Arguments - Analyze Evidence - Compare Arguments - Understand author's bias - Understand key ideas - Analyze Text Features - Examining Claims						
Dates	Smart Objectives	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA CC Standards	Keystone or PSSA Anchors	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary	
November/ December	SWBAT: - Activate prior knowledge by responding to essential question - Use resources to complete frayer vocabulary graphic organizer - Define and explain claims, evidence, arguments, fact, and opinion.	Wild Animals Aren't Pets - Frayar vocabulary - Read alouds - Jigsaw reading - Signposts - Think-pair-share - Sticky note peer review - Check for understanding - Analyze the text - Research facts about animals - Compare and Contrast	CC.1.5.6.D CC.1.2.6.H CC.1.4.6.I CC.1.4.6.K.4 CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.2.6.C CC.1.4.6.K.3 CC.1.4.6.H CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.2.6.A	E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1 E06.B-C.3.1	E06.B-C.2.1.2 E06.B-K.1.1.3 E06.B-C.3.1.1 E06.B-K.1.1.2	Unit Academic vocabulary: Benefit, distinct, environment, illustrate, respond Content words: argument, claim, reasons, facts, opinions,	

argur - Demo comp sumr - Comp stagii regis - Learr	ect an author's ment onstrate prehension by marizing a text. pare and present by ing a debate in a formal ster. n to spell commonly pelled words.	 Summarizing a paragraph Identifying facts and opinions Identifying claims in arguments 	CC.1.2.6.E CC.1.4.6.X			evidence (statistics, facts, quotations, examples) Word study: commonly confused words - advice/advise, lie/lay, passed/past, than/then, to/two/too, their/there/they'r e Critical vocabulary: exotic, dictate, exempt, regulate Cultural references: laid bare, springing, ban kids
evide and c - Unde support - Comp stagii regis - Expla to he mear - Learr missp - Demo	ain and use word origin	Let People Own Exotic Pets Vocabulary: - critical vocabulary - word study - content words Reading: - Read alouds - Jigsaw reading - Signposts - Think-pair-share - Check for understanding - Analyze the text - Research facts about animals - Compare and Contrast - Debate	CC.1.5.6.D CC.1.2.6.H CC.1.5.6.C CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.2.6.D CC.1.2.6.C CC.1.5.6.B CC.1.3.6.D CC.1.4.6.H CC.1.2.6.E	E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1 E06.B-C.3.1	E06.B-C.2.1.2 E06.B-K.1.1.3 E06.B-C.2.1.1 E06.B-C.3.1.1	Critical vocabulary: Understand grade level reading vocabulary (exotic, dictate, exempt, & regulate).
	Vords, Say it with a S! Not Another Selfie	Pinwheel discussionDiscuss and analyze	CC.1.2.6.H CC.1.4.6.I	E06.D.1.2 E06.B-C.3.1	E06.D.1.2.2 E06.B-C.3.1.1	Content words: rhetorical

commonly confused words: effect/affect, there/their/they're, to/two/too, it's/its - Cultural references: social media platform, self-portrait, OMG, craze - Content words: rhetorical devices, parallelism, hyperbole, repetition, personal attack, overgeneralization/ sweeping generalization, stereotyping - Critical vocabulary: saturated, indulge, narcissist, intimacy, passion, eternity, celebrity eading - Analyze the structure of an argument and the use of rhetorical devices Identify the intended audience of an argument Discuss the "perfect selfie." - Discuss arguments with a partner using the term audience Conduct research about photographic self-portraits Write an argument about cell phone usage.	- Analyze the text - Compare and Contrast - Debate	CC.1.4.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X		n/ sweeping generalization, stereotyping Distinguish between commonly confused words: effect/affect, there/their/they'r e, to/two/too, it's/its Critical vocabulary: saturated, indulge, narcissist, intimacy, passion, eternity, celebrity, appropriate, authority, consequence, element, justify	
Materials, texts, videos, internet sites, software, human to support instruction - Ed: My Friend in Learning (HMH), Schoology, Google Applications What evidence (product and/or performance) will be collected to establish that content and skills are being learned?					

		tasks, check your understanding, selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, visual representations (web or concept maps), analogy prompts, oral questioning, follow-up probes, misconception check, independent reading and reflecting				
Summative Assessments	- S	What evidence (produce and/or performance) will be collected to determine that content and skills have been learned? - Selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, analyze the text comprehension questions, writing tasks: write a persuasive letter - Selection test, Vocabulary check, Write/ present an argument				
Strategies for ELL Support	tegies for ELL and IEP bort - 1:1 support, chunking, shortened essay and questions, translations offered, adapted texts provided, push-in/pull-out support banks, shortened multiple choice questions and options, choice of a partner/group, guided notes, co-teaching, communication & special education teachers, visuals to correspond with notes/activities, use sentence frames, word webs, flash cards, num heads, carousel					
Acceleration Strategies		 What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to help advance students closer to grade-level expectations Preview and select High-DOK post-reading questions and activities. Dig deeper into the topic with a "Connect" activity for the post-reading Research project Build toward an alternative end-of-unit task Challenge students with HMH Leveled Text by selecting additional, unit-aligned readings at stretch Lexile levels (available online) Connect the conversation to today with HMH Current Events connections. (available online) 				

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Unit / Concept	Unit 4: Poetry (4 weeks)
Big Ideas	Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - By reading poetry, we can discover the power of words, how word choice impacts meaning, and the value in sharing our voices.
	- (Discovering your voice, how people make their voices heard, advocating, finding a purpose, how to find courage in the face of fear)
Essential Question(s)	Statements summarizing important ideas and core processes that are central to the unit or concept and have lasting value beyond the classroom. - What can we discover about the world by reading poetry?
Key Learning Objectives & Skills	The main ideas or skills students are expected to master - Analyze figurative language in poetry - Make inferences based on tone and speaker - Research the relevant historical context - Draw inferences from speaker and tone - Discuss and analyze figurative language - Make inferences and use evidence to describe speakers - Discuss with a partner the features of the text using the key term figurative language - Discuss poetic devices - Analyze two poems in order to examine how people make their voices heard - Use an understanding of structure to read and comprehend lyric poetry - Analyze word choices to identify a poem's speaker - Expand knowledge of literary genres and poetic forms - Analyze word choices to identify the tone and mood of a poem - Discuss the features of a poem using the term speaker

Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objective	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA Standards (CC)	PSSA Anchors (E)	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary
January	Forms of Poetry - Recognize the various forms of poetry (ballads, free verse, lyric, ode, epic, sonnet) - Understand poetic elements (figurative language, tone, mood, speakers, refrain, repetition, rhyme, prose, stanzas, meter, alliteration, etc.) Forms of Poetry - Guided notes - Modeling - Examples - I do, we do, you d - Review	 Guided notes Modeling Examples I do, we do, you do 	CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.B CC.1.3.6.H CC.1.2.6.L	E06.A-C.2.1 E06.A-C.3.1 E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-V.4.1 E06.B-V.4.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-V.4.1.2c E06.B-V.4.1.2c E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.A-C.3.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1.1	Figurative Language - Simile - Metaphor - Personific ation - Inference - Tone - Mood - Speaker - Lyric
	"Life Doesn't Frighten Me" by Maya Angelou (HMH unit 1) - Analyze Figurative Language - Make Inferences - Make Connections to Speaker - Understand grade level reading vocabulary (counterpane)	"Life Doesn't Frighten Me" by Maya Angelou (HMH unit 1) - Guided notes - Three minute review - Send a problem - Class discussions - Modeling - Scaffolding	CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.B CC.1.3.6.H CC.1.2.6.L	E06.A-C.2.1 E06.A-C.3.1 E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-V.4.1 E06.B-V.4.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-V.4.1.2c E06.B-V.4.1.2c E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.A-C.3.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1.1	poetry Refrain Repetition Rhyme Prose Stanzas Meter Alliteratio n Forms of poetry
	A Voice & Words Like Freedom (HMH unit 4) (5 days) - Analyze Figurative Language - Make Inferences - Make Connections to Speakers - Understand grade level reading vocabulary (unrelenting, spunky, pinpricks, generation) - Understand grade level reading vocabulary (liberty)	A Voice & Words Like Freedom (HMH unit 4) - Poetry Jigsaw - Think-pair-share - Guided notes - Class discussions - Analyze two poems - Compare and contrast - Signposts - Modeling - Scaffolding - I do, we do, you do	CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.2.6.L CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.B CC.1.3.6.H	E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-V.4.1 E06.A-C.2.1 E06.A-C.3.1 E06.E.1.1	E06.B-V.4.1.2a E06.A-V.4.1.2a E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-K.1.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.E.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-V.4.1.2c E06.B-V.4.1.2c E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.A-C.3.1.1	(ballad, free verse, lyrics, ode, epic, sonnet)
	I Was a Skinny Tomboy Kid (HMH unit 4) (3 days) - Analyze Figurative Language - Make Inferences	I Was a Skinny Tomboy Kid (HMH unit 4) - Think-pair-share - Guided notes - Class discussions	CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.2.6.L CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.A	E06.A-C.2.1 E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-V.4.1 E06.B-V.4.1	E06.A-V.4.1.1a E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.B-V.4.1.1a	

	- L r	Make Connections to Speakers Understand grade level eading vocabulary tomboy, bumming)	- Signposts - Modeling - Scaffolding - I do, we do, you do	CC.1.3.6.C CC.1.3.6.B		E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.1	
	days) - A - N - N - N	Analyze Figurative Language Make Inferences Make Connections to Speakers Jnderstand grade level eading vocabulary quetzal)	Words are Birds (HMH unit 4) - Three minute review - Send a problem - Signposts - Guided notes - Modeling - Scaffolding	CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.2.6.L CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.3.6.F CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.B	E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-C.2.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-C.2.1.3 E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.1	
Resources			software, human to support instruction MH), Schoology, Google Applications				
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Unit	Unit 5: Historical Fiction Narratives (4 weeks)						
Big Ideas & Concepts		Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - By reading historical narratives, we can learn new strategies to help us face our fear(s), overcome obstacles, and survive challenges.					
		ng impacts a story, characteristics of a surv real life , fortitude, endurance)	vivor, discuss tough	questions, survival	, overcoming obsta	cles, survival skills,	
Essential Question		atements summarizing important ideas and core processes that are central to the unit or concept and have lasting value beyond the classroom. - What can we learn about how to be a survivor by reading historical narratives?					
Competencies	The main ideas or skills students are expected to master - Analyze character - Analyze setting - Create research questions to build background knowledge - Research about historical events - Monitor comprehension - Contribute unique ideas to group discussions - Use academic vocabulary in discussions - Adapt speech to a variety of contexts						
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA Standards (CC)	PSSA Anchors (E)	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary	
February	Unit Introduction (1 day)	- introduce essential question - KWL / connect to prior knowledge - academic vocabulary word study				Academic vocabulary: circumstance, constraint, impact, injure, significant	
	The Breadwinner (U1) (5 days) - Analyze how the character develops plot. - Analyze setting and	Pinwheel discussionThree-minute reviewDiscussion elements of fiction	CC.1.5.6.D CC.1.5.6.F CC.1.4.6.V	E06.D.2.1 E06.A-K.1.1	E06.D.2.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.A-K.1.1.3	Cultural references: Jalalabad,	

character. - Discuss the text using the key term plot. - Conduct research about humanitarian aid organizations. - Write a letter to a humanitarian aid organization. - Give a multimodal presentation to accompany research. - Determine the parts of speech of words, and use the part of speech and context to help figure out a word's meaning.	- Signposts - Notice and notes - Check your understanding - Analyze the text	CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.4.6.E.4 CC.1.3.6.C CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X			Taliban, give in, sulk, hesitated Critical vocabulary: solution, responsibility, stammer, fume
A Long Walk to Water (U3) (7 days) - Monitor comprehension of text and make adjustments Analyze the characters and setting of a novel excerpt Research the organization Water for South Sudan Write an informative essay about setting and character Discuss in a group character traits of a survivor Discuss with a partner challenges faced by Salva using the term setting Use both print and digital vocabulary resources.	 Numbered heads together Send a problem Practice monitoring for comprehension strategies Whole group reading Small group reading Notice and notes Signposts Check your understanding Analyze the text Small group discussion 	CC.1.4.6.D CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.4.6.K.1 CC.1.4.6.B CC.1.4.6.E.1 CC.1.3.6.C CC.1.4.6.E.3 CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X CC.1.4.6.W	E06.E.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1	E06.E.1.1.1 E06.E.1.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.E.1.1.4 E06.E.1.1.3	Cultural references: the school village, too dark to see the path, rebel camp Critical vocabulary: veer, hesitate, collapse, scurry, shoulder
from The 9th Ward (U3) (5 days) - Analyze historical and cultural settings of the text. - Analyze the author's use of language to develop mood	 Two heads together Think-pair share Model differentiating between important and less important 	CC.1.5.6.F CC.1.4.6.V CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.C	E06.A-K.1.1 E06.D.1.2 E06.D.1.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.D.1.2.2 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.D.1.1.4	Cultural references: Scoot, big bird wings, copter

	- C h N N - C H - V e K - C C P - C C P P Wrap Up (Andependent reading Selection test /ocabulary check Write/ present a nonfiction narrative	man, touched them with a hot iron Critical vocabulary: fortitude, endure, horizon, angular, focus		
Resources		texts, videos, internet sites, software, human to support instruction Ed: My Friend in Learning (HMH), Schoology, Google Applications			
Formative Assessments	What evidence (product and/or performance) will be collected to establish that content and skills are being learned? - Teacher check for understanding, whole group discussion, think-pair-share, station activities (jigsaw, carousel), at-the-bells, exit tickets, writing tasks, check your understanding, selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, visual representations (web or concept maps), analogy prompts, oral questioning, follow-up probes, misconception check, independent reading and reflecting				
Summative Assessments	What evidence (produce and/or performance) will be collected to determine that content and skills have been learned? - Selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, analyze the text comprehension questions, writing/ presentation tasks,				
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Acceleration Strat	egies	What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to help advance students closer to grade-level expectations			

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Unit/Concepts

Unit 6: Fantasy

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Big Ideas	Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - Hidden truths about people and the world are revealed through archetypes, actions, patterns, and themes. - (Human nature, hidden truths about people, hidden truths about the world, fantasy, imagination)						
Essential Question(s)	Statements summarizing important ideas and core processes that are central to the unit or concept and have lasting value beyond the classroom. - What hidden truths about people and the world are revealed in stories?						
Key Learning Objectives and Skills	The main ideas or skills students are expected to master Read, enjoy, and discuss the literature Understand the concept of human nature and truth as it relates to the fantasy genre Use language effectively to make meanings, challenge thinking, and expand their literary envisionments as They discuss concepts, issues, opinions, and ideas related to the literature Increase their literary understandings and appreciation during collaborative discussions Use informal writing to respond to their reading as a way to prepare for literature discussions Complete each of the literature discussion roles and record the appropriate information for each Analyze plot, structure, point of view, themes, and characters Identify the theme or message of a story Analyze how the structure of a text supports the writer's purpose Provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions Use relevant evidence from text(s) to support claims, opinions, ideas, and inferences and demonstrate an understanding of the text(s) Analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone Use precise language and domain specific vocabulary Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot. Use sentence starters to participate in a discussion						
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives (What do students have to do related to the content?)	Instructional Strategies and Activities (Used to develop the skills and knowledge)	PA Standards (CC)	PSSA Anchors (E)	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary (What is the essential vocabulary of the unit or concept?)	
March	Unit Introduction / The Mouse Bride by Heather Forest - Recognize the elements of fantasy, folktales, and	Unit Introduction / The Mouse Bride by Heather Forest - Direct instruction	CC.1.3.6.E CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.C	E06.A-K.1.1 E06.A-C.2.1 E06.E.1.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.A-C.2.1.2 E06.E.1.1.2	Academic Vocabulary - Emphasize - Occur - Period	

legends - Cite evidence to support an analysis of the textual elements of folktales - Conduct research about some of the common themes of folktales from around the world - Analyze the themes in a folktale Participate in a model literature circle - Discuss author's purposes, using the term purpose Book Clubs/ Lit Circles: The Giver by Lois Lowry, Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine, Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children by Ransom Rigg, City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau, Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt, Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson, Coraline by Neil Gaiman - Cite textual evidence; make inferences Determine a theme or central idea Describe story elements and structure Determine the meaning of words and phrases from their context Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions Verify preliminary determination of the meaning of a word; consult reference materials.	- Gradual release model (I do, we do, you do) - Scaffolding - Guided notes - Pinwheel discussion - Modeled discussion - Fishbowl discussion - Reflections Book Clubs/ Lit Circles: The Giver by Lois Lowry, Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine, Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children by Ransom Rigg, City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau, Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt, Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson, Coraline by Neil Gaiman - Literature circle - Stations - Direct instruction - Guided practice	CC.1.2.6.L CC.1.5.6.D CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.4.6.E.1 CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.5.6.B CC.1.4.6.E.3 CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X	E06.E.1.1.4	- Relevant - Tradition Other Vocabulary - Short story - Folktale - Legend - Urban legend - Fantasy - Fiction - Novel - Characters - Character traits - Characterizati on - Plot - Point of view - Theme - Plot arc - Exposition - Conflict - Character motivation - Character - development - Inferences - Setting - Mood - Tone - Word choice - Language - Rising action - Climax - Falling action - Summary - Context clues
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Resources	Ed: My Fri	Materials, texts, videos, internet sites, software, human to support instruction <u>Ed: My Friend in Learning (HMH)</u> , Schoology, Google Applications, <i>The Giver</i> by Lois Lowry, <i>Ella Enchanted</i> by Gail Carson Levine, <i>Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children</i> by Ransom Rigg, <i>City of Ember</i> by Jeanne DuPrau, <i>Tuck Everlasting</i> by Natalie Babbitt, <i>Bridge to Terabithia</i> by Katherine Paterson, <i>Coraline</i> by Neil Gaiman						
Formative Assessments	Literature at-the-bell	What evidence (product and/or performance) will be collected to establish that content and skills are being learned? Literature Circles, stations, small group, teacher check for understanding, whole group discussion, think-pair-share, station activities (jigsaw, carousel), at-the-bells, exit tickets, writing tasks, check your understanding, selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, visual representations (web or concept maps), analogy prompts, oral questioning, follow-up probes, misconception check, independent reading and reflecting						
Summative Assessments		What evidence (produce and/or performance) will be collected to determine that content and skills have been learned? - Selection quizzes/tests, essay scoring, analyze the text comprehension questions, writing tasks, creative project, book report						
Strategies for ELL Support	and IEP	What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to provide accommodations and modifications to support students? 1:1 support, chunking, shortened essay and questions, translations offered, adapted texts provided, push-in/pull-out support, word banks, shortened multiple choice questions and options, choice of a partner/group, guided notes, co-teaching, communication with ESL & special education teachers, visuals to correspond with notes/activities, use sentence frames, word webs, flash cards, numbered heads, carousel						
Acceleration Strategies		What tools, strategies, and resources will be used to help advance students closer to grade-level expectations - Preview and select High-DOK post-reading questions and activities Dig deeper into the topic with a "Connect" activity for the post-reading Research project - Build toward an alternative end-of-unit task - Challenge students with HMH Leveled Text by selecting additional, unit-aligned readings at stretch Lexile levels (available online) - Connect the conversation to today with HMH Current Events connections. (available online)						

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Unit	Unit 7: Biographies & Memoirs (3 weeks)								
Concepts & Big Ideas	Themes and connections between the Standards that help students to see the purpose and relevance of content. - It is important for critical readers to read biographies and memoirs so that we can learn how to face challenging situations from other people's success and mistakes, and to share our own experiences so that others can learn from us. - (Survivors, value of learning from other people's experiences, sharing your experience, author's message, using exaggeration, how humor can help people cope with challenging situations, impact of decisions and choices, persistence, overcoming obstacles, importance of education, human rights, advocating)								
Essential Understandings		Statements summarizing important ideas and core processes that are central to the unit or concept and have lasting value beyond the classroom. - As critical readers, why is it important to hear other people's stories and to share our own?							
Competencies	- Analyze the author's word - Use context clues to increa - Make inferences about the author's use of later and follow instructions for the context of the c	 Make inferences about the author's purpose and message. Analyze the author's use of language. (irony, exaggeration, witty dialogue, double meaning) Analyze how writers use commas. Give and follow instructions for telling a joke. Use resources to determine word meaning. Discuss the selection using academic words (ei: prologue, imagery, author's purpose) Analyze characteristics and features of different types of text. Generate questions to guide reading. Generate questions and key words to guide research. 							
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives	Smart Objectives Instructional Strategies and Activities PA Standards (CC) PSSA Anchors Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content Vocabulary							
April - introduce essential question - KWL / connect to prior knowledge - academic vocabulary word study									
	Into the Lifeboat: (7 days)	- Think pair share	CC.1.5.6.D	E06.B-V.4.1.	E06.B-V.4.1.1c	Cultural			

 Create mental imagery through strong word choice and sensory description. Use context clues to increase understanding of vocabulary. Develop and modify a research plan. Write using an informal register or voice Create a multimedia presentation. Analyze how writers use commas. Language: Discuss imagery using vivid words. 	 Three before me Model: listening for details Guided practice Whole group Small group Notice and notes Close read Check your understanding Analyze the text Create a multimedia presentation 	CC.1.5.6.F CC.1.2.6.F CC.1.2.6.B CC.1.2.6.D CC.1.3.6.D CC.1.4.6.Q.2 CC.1.4.6.E.3 CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.4.6.O CC.1.4.6.O	E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1	E06.B-C.2.1.1 E06.B-K.1.1.1 E06.B-C.2.1.3	references: Shining example for backwards souls (sarcasm), terrible plight Critical vocabulary: reluctance, illuminate, unrestrainedly, reassure, fascinate, agonizing
What's so funny Mr. Skiezka?:(U4) (5 days) - Make inferences about the author's purpose and message. - Analyze the author's use of language. (irony, exaggeration, witty dialogue, double meaning) - Write an essay analyzing the author's purpose and message. - Give and follow instructions for telling a joke. - Use resources to determine word meaning. - Use pronouns correctly. - Language: Discuss the selection with a partner	- Think- pair share - Three before me - Model - Guided practice - Notes - Whole group reading - Small group reteaching - Notice and notes - Check your understanding - Analyze the text	CC.1.4.6.D CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.2.6.B CC.1.4.6.B CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.2.6.D CC.1.3.6.D CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.4.6.X	E06.D.1.1 E06.E.1.1 E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1	E06.D.1.1.1 E06.E.1.1.1 E06.D.1.1.3 E06.E.1.1.2 E06.B-C.2.1.1 E06.B-K.1.1.1 E06.D.1.1.4	Cultural references: Sister/nun, train wreck, punch line, his face finds a bell Critical vocabulary: apology, history, terror, pause Roots: tech, apo-, ory, terr

	using the term author's purpose. A School Girl's Diary: (U5) (7 days) - Analyze characteristics and features of informational text Generate questions to guide reading Generate questions and key words to guide research Discuss in a small group the importance of going to school Use Greek and Latin roots to understand vocabulary Understand correct capitalization of proper nouns Discuss with a partner the purpose of features of informational text using the key term	Numbered heads together Activating academic vocabulary Generating questions to monitor comprehension Model Guided practice Notes Whole group reading Small group reteaching Notice and notes Check your understanding Analyze the text	CC.1.4.6.V CC.1.2.6.B CC.1.4.6.K.4 CC.1.2.6.D CC.1.4.6.K.3 CC.1.3.6.D CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.2.6.A CC.1.4.6.X CC.1.4.6.W	E06.B-C.2.1 E06.B-K.1.1	E06.B-C.2.1.1 E06.B-K.1.1.1 E06.B-K.1.1.2	Cultural references: human rights, mosque, Pashtun Critical vocabulary: debate, edict, defy, pseudonym, anonymous
	wrap Up Unit (3 days) - Independent reading - Selection test - Vocabulary check - Write a memoir or biography / or present a memoir in a podcast					
Resources	 Ed: My Friend in Learning (H 	software, human to support instruction MH), Schoology, Google Applications ne Air (U5) / The Wright Brothers (U5)			•	
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Unit / concept	Unit 8: Drama (3 weeks)								
Big Ideas	- As an audience, we must use the structure of a story, visualizations, and inferences when interacting with a drama to understand the message.								
	- Imagination, storytelling in dif	fferent mediums, empathy, loyalty, trust, tru	ths about human	nature, understa	nding identity, ch	aracter, good and evil			
Essential Question(s)	Statements summarizing important ide - How do we, as an audience,	eas and core processes that are central to t interact with a drama?	the unit or concep	ot and have lastin	g value beyond t	he classroom.			
Key Learning Objectives and Skills	 Analyze how playwrights develop characters. Create mental images to deepen understanding. Research the life of a real-life character depicted in the play. Write a character sketch Perform a dramatic reading Use a variety of resources to define vocabulary terms Identify and use preposition and prepositional phrases Discuss with a partner the features of the text using the key term characters Compare and contrast written drama with performed (film) version 								
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives (What do students have to do related to the content?)	(What do students have to do and Activities Standards Anchors PSSA (What is the essential							
May/ June	Unit Introduction: Drama - Recognize and understand the various features of drama - Recognize the historical background context surrounding the plays - Identify grade level vocabulary - Research the life of a real-life character(s) depicted in the play	Unit Introduction: Drama - Guided notes - Create a classroom poster defining features of drama - Class discussion - Modeling - Scaffolding - Gradual Release Model (I do, we do, you do)				- Drama - Script - Cast - Characters - Acts - Scenes - Dialogue - Stage Direction - Actor/Actress - Live audience - Film - Playwright - Lighting			

	The Prince and the Pauper (U6) - Analyze how characters develop - Create mental images - Research the life of a real-life character depicte in the play - Write a character sketch - Perform a dramatic readii - Define vocabulary terms - Identify and use prepositi and prepositional phrase - Analyze the features of the text - Compare and contrast written and filmed version	- Reciprocal teaching - Modeling - Scaffolding - Gradual release model (I do, we do, you do) - Compare and contrast written and film version	CC.1.5.6.C CC.1.4.6.C CC.1.4.6.K.1 CC.1.4.6.E.1 CC.1.5.6.E CC.1.3.6.G CC.1.3.6.K CC.1.3.6.B CC.1.3.6.J CC.1.2.6.J CC.1.2.6.J	E06.E.1.1 E06.A-K.1.1	E06.E.1.1.2 E06.E.1.1.4 E06.A-K.1.1.1	 Sound effects Italics Movement Prepositional phrase 	
	Damon and Pythias (U5) - Analyze how characters develop - Create mental images - Write a character sketch - Perform a dramatic readii - Define vocabulary terms - Identify and use prepositi and prepositional phrase - Analyze the features of the text	- Modeling on - Scaffolding - Gradual release model (I do,	CC.1.3.6.A CC.1.3.6.C CC.1.3.6.B	E06.A-K.1.1	E06.A-K.1.1.2 E06.A-K.1.1.3 E06.A-K.1.1.1		
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