Honors

English I / Introduction to Literature and Composition

Course materials required. See 'Course Materials' below.

Introduction to Literature and Composition covers literature study, reading, writing, and language. Students explore literature from around the world, including the following genres: short story, poetry, memoir, autobiography, drama, and epic. They read examples of informational writing, such as a letter, web site, magazine article, newspaper article, speech, editorial, and movie or book review. Along the way, they acquire and practice reading skills and strategies that are directly applicable to these literary and informational reading materials. In addition, students develop and practice writing and language skills. They employ the writing process to create narrative, expository, and persuasive compositions. They also learn to create and evaluate media presentations and oral presentations and to fine-tune their listening skills.

This course is built to state standards and the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) standards.

Length: Two semesters

UNIT 1: THE SHORT STORY: PLOT AND SETTING

LESSON 1: LITERATURE, COMPOSITION, AND STORIES

Study: Introduction to Literature and Composition
Learn about the significance of literature and composition.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Plot and Setting
Learn about plot and setting through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: "THE MOST DANGEROUS GAME"

Study: Analysis, Chronological Order, Foreshadowing, and Suspense
Learn about analysis, chronological order, and suspense through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "The Most Dangerous Game"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "The Most Dangerous Game"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Writing Workshop
Learn about the elements of a personal narrative.
LESSON 3: "THE INTERLOPERS"

Study: Setting, Mood, and Meaning
Learn about setting, mood, and atmosphere through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "The Interlopers"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "The Interlopers"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Thinking about Suspense and Setting
Reflect on some of the story's literary devices through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: A Surprise Ending
Write a surprise ending for a children's story.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop: Using Context
Review and learn more about context clues through an interactive activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins

Study: Language Workshop
Review and learn more about personal pronoun case through an interactive activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins
Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Explore: Hunt for Information about Wolves
Use Web links in this structured research activity to explore information about wolves.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: PLOT AND SETTING WRAP-UP

Review: Plot and Setting
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): Plot and Setting
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): Plot and Setting
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic: Plot and Setting
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

UNIT 2: THE SHORT STORY: CHARACTER

LESSON 1: CHARACTER

Study: Character
Learn about this unit's main literary concepts through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: "GENTLEMAN OF RIO EN MEDIO"

Study: Elements of Characterization
Learn about the tools that authors use to create characters.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "Gentleman of Rio en Medio"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "Gentleman of Rio en Medio"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: A Character-Driven Story
Develop an original short story around the actions of a character.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: "ALL THE YEARS OF HER LIFE"

Study: Preparing to Read
Learn about some of the techniques that the author uses to create the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "All the Years of Her Life"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "All the Years of Her Life"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Writing Workshop
Learn the elements of a good compare-and-contrast essay.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: A Compare-and-Contrast Essay
Write a focused essay that compares and contrasts at least two things.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop
Review words from earlier in the unit and learn new ones that will be useful when writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Language Workshop: Verb Tense
Learn about consistency of verb tense.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Listening Workshop
Listen to a story and discuss how the storyteller keeps you interested.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Explore: Traits of Dynamic Characters
Use Web links in this structured research activity.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: THE SHORT STORY: CHARACTER WRAP-UP
Review: The Short Story: Character
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): The Short Story: Character
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): The Short Story: Character
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC
Diagnostic: The Short Story: Character
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 29 points

UNIT 3: THE SHORT STORY: VOICE

LESSON 1: VOICE
Study: Narrative Voice: You Talkin' to Me?
Learn about this unit's main literary concepts through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: "THE TELL-TALE HEART"
Study: Preparing to Read
Learn about some of the significant literary elements of the upcoming reading selection through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "The Tell-Tale Heart"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "The Tell-Tale Heart"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Narration
Write a story in which you create a convincing narrator.
LESSON 3: "AN OCCURRENCE AT OWL CREEK BRIDGE"

Study: Narration
Learn about some of the significant literary elements of the upcoming reading selection through an interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Writing Workshop
Learn how to write a process essay.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: A Process Essay
Write an essay that describes a process.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary for Review and the Process Essay
Review words from earlier in the unit and learn new ones that will be useful when writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Language Workshop
In this interactive activity, learn how to use sequence clue words such as next and so. Also learn the different uses of there, their, and they're and its and it's.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Media Literacy Workshop
Explore the similarities and differences between text and film.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Explore: Reliable Sources**
Use Web links in this structured research activity.
Duration: 1 hr

**LESSON 5: THE SHORT STORY: VOICE WRAP-UP**

**Review: The Short Story: Voice**
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

**Test (CS): The Short Story: Voice**
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Test (TS): The Short Story: Voice**
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC**

**Diagnostic: The Short Story: Voice**
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 34 points

**UNIT 4: THE SHORT STORY: TONE AND THEME**

**LESSON 1: THEME AS A LITERARY ELEMENT**

**Study: Theme**
Learn some of the basic concepts behind themes and what they do for readers.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**LESSON 2: "THE NECKLACE"**

**Study: Preparing to Read**
Learn how tone and theme will be used in the upcoming reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Vocabulary for "The Necklace"**
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: "The Necklace"**
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Reading**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading**
Respond to the reading.
**LESSON 3: "AMBUSH"**

**Study: Preparing to Read**
Learn about some of the literary elements in the upcoming reading.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Vocabulary for "Ambush"**
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: "Ambush"**
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Reading**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Writing Workshop: Cause-and-Effect Essay**
Learn about writing a cause-and-effect essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Practice: A Cause-and-Effect Essay**
Write an essay describing a cause-and-effect relationship.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS**

**Journal: Respond to the Reading**
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: Vocabulary Workshop**
Learn and practice some new words.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Study: Language Workshop**
Learn to identify and fix run-on sentences.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Study: Listening and Taking Notes**
Learn useful techniques for listening and taking notes.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Studies**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points
Explore: Background Research: 19th-century Paris
Use Web links in this structured research activity.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: THE SHORT STORY: TONE AND THEME WRAP-UP

Review: The Short Story: Tone and Theme
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): The Short Story: Tone and Theme
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): The Short Story: Tone and Theme
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic: The Short Story: Tone and Theme
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 28 points

UNIT 5: THE SHORT STORY: IRONY AND SYMBOLISM

LESSON 1: IRONY AND SYMBOLISM

Study: Irony and Symbolism
Learn about irony and symbolism.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: "THE GIFT OF THE MAGI"

Study: Preparing to Read
Learn how irony and symbolism are used in the upcoming reading selection.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "The Gift of the Magi"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "The Gift of the Magi"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: An Ironic Story
Write a story that demonstrates irony.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: "JUST LATHER, THAT'S ALL"
Study: Preparing to Read
Learn more about symbols and irony.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for "Just Lather, That's All"
Learn words that will be important for understanding the story.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: "Just Lather, That's All"
Get information on where to find the story, along with a useful reading guide.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Reading
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Writing Workshop: Writing about Theme
Learn the steps for writing an essay about theme.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: A Thematic Essay
Write an essay using what you've learned about theme.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop
Learn new words and check your understanding of them.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Language Workshop
Learn how to recognize and fix sentence fragments.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Media Workshop
Learn how sights and sounds convey irony and symbolism in movies.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Explore: The Magi
Use Web links in this structured research activity.
Duration: 1 hr
LESSON 5: THE SHORT STORY: IRONY AND SYMBOLISM WRAP-UP

Review: The Short Story: Irony and Symbolism
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): The Short Story: Irony and Symbolism
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): The Short Story: Irony and Symbolism
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic: The Short Story: Irony and Symbolism
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 31 points

UNIT 6: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION SEMESTER 1 REVIEW AND EXAM

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION SEMESTER 1

Review: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1
Prepare for the semester exam by reviewing key concepts covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1.
Duration: 3 hrs

Exam: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1
Take a computer-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Final Exam: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1
Take a teacher-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 1.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 100 points

UNIT 7: NONFICTION: LIVES IN HISTORICAL SETTINGS AND CONTEXTS

LESSON 1: TYPES OF NONFICTION

Study: Types of Nonfiction
Define nonfiction and learn about types of nonfiction.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: PERSONAL ESSAYS AND LETTERS

Study: Voices in Primary Sources
Learn to recognize and evaluate different voices and points of view in primary sources.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for Personal Essays and Letters
Study vocabulary words in context and read personal essays and letters.
Read: Personal Essays and Letters
Read A. A. Milne's "A Word for Autumn."
Duration: 1 hr

Quiz: Comprehending the Readings
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Personal Descriptive Essay
Write a short descriptive piece on a memorable event from your life.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: BIOGRAPHIES AND INTERVIEWS

Study: Interpreting a Life
Explore an overview of the history and the different types of biographies.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for Biographies and Interviews
Learn new vocabulary using context clues.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: Reading Biographies
Read pieces on two women: a modern athlete and an ancient mathematician.
Duration: 1 hr

Quiz: Comprehending the Readings
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Writing Workshop
Learn the basics of researching someone's life and writing a biography.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Biography
Conduct an interview and write a short biography.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop
Using context clues, prefixes, and suffixes to learn new words.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins
Study: Language Workshop
Learn how to use citations.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Oral Presentations
Learn how to adapt a written assignment into an oral presentation.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Explore: Approaches to Interviews
Study interviewing techniques by listening to three interviews on the Web.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: NONFICTION: LIVES IN HISTORICAL SETTINGS AND CONTEXTS WRAP-UP

Review: Nonfiction: Lives in Historical Settings and Contexts
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): Nonfiction: Lives in Historical Settings and Contexts
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): Nonfiction: Lives in Historical Settings and Contexts
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC
Diagnostic: Nonfiction: Lives in Historical Settings and Contexts
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 32 points

UNIT 8: THE ART OF PERSUASION

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO THE ART OF PERSUASION

Study: Tools of Persuasion
Learn about the art of rhetoric, including persuasive speaking and writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: HISTORICAL SPEECHES

Study: Voices of Leadership
Study famous speeches to learn the tools of persuasive speaking.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for Persuasive Speeches
Learn new words from context clues.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: Three Famous Speeches
Read three historic speeches.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Readings**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Writing Workshop**
Learn the basics of writing a persuasive speech.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Practice: Speech**
Write and revise a speech.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

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**LESSON 3: OPINION AND EDITORIAL ESSAYS**

**Study: Op-Ed Writing**
Learn to distinguish between fact and opinion. Explore the ABCs of op-ed writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Common Terms in Modern Op-Ed Pieces**
Learn new words from context clues.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: When Believing Isn’t Seeing**
Read an op-ed piece by a Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial writer.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Reading**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading**
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

**Practice: Write an Op-Ed Piece**
Write an essay in the op-ed style.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

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**LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS**

**Journal: Respond the Readings**
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: Vocabulary Workshop**
Learn about word roots, prefixes, and suffixes.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Study: Language Workshop**
Learn about subject-verb agreement when using compound subjects, indefinite pronouns, and collective nouns.
Study: Television Commercials
Learn about persuasive techniques used in television commercials.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Explore: Enrichment and Exploration
Study the way people use rhetoric in three movie speeches.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: THE ART OF PERSUASION WRAP-UP
Review: The Art of Persuasion
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): The Art of Persuasion
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): The Art of Persuasion
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC
Diagnostic: The Art of Persuasion
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 27 points

UNIT 9: POETRY

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO POETRY
Study: Forms and Purposes of Poetry
Read and think about several definitions of poetry.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: NARRATIVES AND BALLADS: POEMS THAT TELL STORIES
Study: Narratives and Ballads
Learn about poems that tell stories.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Learning Elements through World War I Poetry
Learn some elements of World War I poetry.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: The Motif of Melancholy in "The Raven"
Learn more about how Edgar Allan Poe uses melancholy as a motif in his famous poem.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins
LESSON 3: LYRIC POEMS: POETRY THAT EXPRESSES MOODS AND FEELINGS

Study: Lyrics and Sonnets
Learn about the sonnet as a poetic form and about how it functions as lyric poetry, expressing moods and feelings.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Vocabulary for Lyrics and Sonnets
Learn words that will be important for understanding the poems.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Read: Lyrics and Sonnets
Read more lyric poems.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Readings
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: Writing Workshop
Learn how to incorporate elements of poetry into prose writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Descriptive Essay
Write an essay that describes an important person, place, object, or event.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop
Review words from earlier in the unit and learn new ones that will be useful when writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Language Workshop
Learn about pronoun-antecedent agreement.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Studies**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Explore: Does the Traditional Ballad Still Survive?**
Find two or three ballads on the Web. Discuss their form and their rhyme schemes.
Duration: 1 hr

**LESSON 5: POETRY WRAP-UP**

**Review: Poetry**
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

**Test (CS): Poetry**
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Test (TS): Poetry**
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC**

**Diagnostic: Poetry**
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 37 points

**UNIT 10: EPICS AND MYTHS**

**LESSON 1: THE ODYSSEY: INVOCATION**

**Study: The Odyssey and Rap**
Learn about the elements of epic poems.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Comprehending the Invocation**
Check your understanding of the introduction of the *Odyssey*.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: The Odyssey: Invocation**
Start reading the *Odyssey*.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**LESSON 2: THE ODYSSEY, BOOKS 1 – 12**

**Read: The Odyssey, Book 1**
Continue reading the *Odyssey*.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Study: Greek Values, Geography, and Monsters**
Learn some important information about the *Odyssey*. 
LESSON 3: READING AND RESPONDING TO MythOLOGY

Study: Common Elements and Vocabulary
Learn about some of the common elements of myths from different cultures.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Sample of World Myths
Read myths and think about mythical archetypes.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Readings
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 15 points

Study: The Problem/Solution Essay
Learn about writing a problem-solution essay.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Practice: A Problem/Solution Essay**
Write a persuasive essay that presents a problem and a solution.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS**

**Journal: Respond to the Reading**
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: Vocabulary Workshop**
Learn about Latin and Greek word roots, prefixes, and suffixes.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Study: Language Workshop**
Learn more about using pronouns.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Studies**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Explore: Did the Gods Behave Themselves?**
Think about the morality of the mythic hero.
Duration: 1 hr

**LESSON 5: EPICS AND MYTHS WRAP-UP**

**Review: Epics and Myths**
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

**Test (CS): Epics and Myths**
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Test (TS): Epics and Myths**
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC**

**Diagnostic: Epics and Myths**
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 34 points

**UNIT 11: DRAMA: SHAKESPEARE AND BROADWAY**

**LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO SHAKESPEAREAN TRAGEDY**

**Study: Show Business**
Learn how different people define tragedy.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**LESSON 2: ROMEO AND JULIET, ACTS I AND II**

**Study: The Capulets and the Montagues**
Learn about Romeo and Juliet in this interactive multimedia activity.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Vocabulary for Romeo and Juliet, Acts I and II**
Learn new vocabulary from context clues.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: Romeo and Juliet, Acts I and II**
Begin reading Romeo and Juliet.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Reading**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Writing Workshop**
Learn to analyze and critique a dramatic piece.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Practice: A Movie or Television Program**
Apply literary analysis techniques to a piece of popular culture.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

**LESSON 3: WEST SIDE STORY, ACT I**

**Study: The Jets and the Sharks**
Learn about the elements of an effective tragedy.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Study**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Study: Vocabulary for West Side Story, Act I**
Learn new vocabulary with help from context clues.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

**Read: West Side Story, Act I**
Begin reading West Side Story.
Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

**Quiz: Comprehending the Reading**
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

**Discuss: Your Thoughts on the Reading**
Respond to the reading.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

**Practice: A Pastiche**
Write a West Side Story pastiche.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points
LESSON 4: SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Journal: Respond to the Reading
Share your thoughts about the substance, style, and impact of the readings.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

Study: Vocabulary Workshop
Review words from earlier in the unit and learn new ones that will be useful when writing.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Language Workshop
Learn to recognize and fix misplaced modifiers.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Studies
Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Explore: Enrichment and Exploration
Use Web links in this structured research activity.
Duration: 1 hr

LESSON 5: DRAMA: SHAKESPEARE AND BROADWAY WRAP-UP

Review: Drama: Shakespeare and Broadway
Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.
Duration: 1 hr 30 mins

Test (CS): Drama: Shakespeare and Broadway
Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Test (TS): Drama: Shakespeare and Broadway
Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.
Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic: Drama: Shakespeare and Broadway
Take a diagnostic unit test that will generate a study plan based on your responses.
Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 24 points

UNIT 12: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION SEMESTER 2 REVIEW AND EXAM

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION SEMESTER 2

Review: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2
Prepare for the semester exam by reviewing key concepts covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2.
Duration: 2 hrs

Exam: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2
Take a computer-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2.
Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

Final Exam: Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2
Take a teacher-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in Introduction to Literature and Composition Semester 2.
Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 100 points