

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.

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

Practice: A Personal Narrative

Write a short personal narrative and learn more about writing processes.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

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 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

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.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

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.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 15 points

Practice: Story Extension

Write an extension to the story.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

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.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

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

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

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.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

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

Read: "The Raven"

Read "The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe.

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: Dream Poem

Write a poem about a dream.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

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*.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study and Reading

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The *Odyssey*, Book 5

Continue reading the *Odyssey*.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Study: Reviewing the Elements of an Epic

Learn about the oral tradition as it relates to epic poetry and rap music.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study and Reading

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: The *Odyssey*, Book 6

Continue reading the *Odyssey*.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins

Read: The *Odyssey*, Books 9, 11, and 12

Continue reading the *Odyssey*.

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

Practice: An Original Myth

Write an original myth or excerpt from a myth.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

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

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

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