

# Optional 34-Week Plan

*Essentials in Writing* and *Essentials in Literature* together in one 60-90 minute class period  
Teachers and/or students can decide which to complete first and which to complete second each day.

*\*When the plan indicates to **Repeat Assignments** for Essentials in Writing, students will write another composition of the same kind according to a different prompt/topic. Compositions may be written in one or two class periods, or in the time period allotted.*

	<b>Essentials in Writing 7</b>	<b>Essentials in Literature 7</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Sentence Structure</b> Lessons 1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B	<b>Fiction Lecture</b> Days 1, 2, 3, 4
<b>Week 2</b>	Lessons 3C, 4A, 4B, 4C	"Seventh Grade" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 3</b>	Lessons 5A, 5B, 6	"Thank You, M'am" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Formal Paragraph and the Writing Process</b> Lessons 7A, 7B, 7C, 8	"The White Umbrella" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Dialogue and Figurative Language</b> Lessons 9A, 9B, 10, 11	<b>One-Week Break</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	Lessons 12A, 12B, 12C, 13A, 13B, 13C	"Zebra" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>Point of View and Personal Narrative</b> Lessons 14, 15, 16, 17A, 17B, 18	"Cricket in the Road" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>

Week 8	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"One Ordinary Day, with Peanuts" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 9	<b>Persuasive Business Letter</b> Lessons 19, 20, 21, 22	"Nadia the Willful" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 10	<b>Persuasive Business Letter</b> Lessons 23, 24A, 24B	<i>Fiction Summative Assessment</i> <b>Break</b>
Week 11	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Personal Narrative</b> Lessons 15-18	<b>Nonfiction Lecture</b> Days 1-4
Week 12	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"Dirk the Protector" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 13	<b>Expository Essay</b> Lessons 25, 26A, 26B, 27, 28, 29	"A Brief History of Chocolate" Days 1-5
Week 14	Lessons 30A, 30B <b>Writing a Summary</b> Lessons 31A, 31B	<b>One-Week Break</b>
Week 15	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Persuasive Business Letter</b> (Lessons 19-24B)	"Abdul Rahman Biography" Days 1-5
Week 16	<b>Compare Contrast Essay</b> Lessons 32, 33, 34, 35, 36	"Oh Broom, Get to Work" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 17	Lessons 37A, 37B <i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Writing a Summary</b> Lesson 31: Write a summary of a book or article of your choice.	"Waiting for the Second Table" Days 1-6

Week 18	<b>Midterm Break</b>	<i>Nonfiction Summative Assessment</i> <b>Midterm Break</b>
Week 19	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Expository Essay</b> Lessons 25-30B	<b>Novel</b> <i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> Days 1-4
Week 20	<b>Descriptive Writing</b> Lessons 38, 39, 40A, 40B	Section One Days 5-9
Week 21	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Compare Contrast Essay</b> Lessons 32-37B	Section Two Days 10-11 <i>[Students can take 1-4 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 11 activity]</i>
Week 22	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Descriptive Writing</b> Lessons 38-40B	Days 12-15
Week 23	<b>One-Week Break</b>	Section Three Day 16 <i>[Students can take 1-5 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 16 activity]</i>
Week 24	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either</i> <b>Personal Narrative, Persuasive Business Letter, Expository Essay, Compare Contrast Essay, or Descriptive Writing</b>	Days 17-18 <i>Novel Summative Assessment</i>
Week 25	<b>One-Week Break</b>	Novel Culminating Activity
Week 26	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either</i> <b>Personal Narrative, Persuasive Business Letter, Expository Essay, Compare Contrast Essay, or Descriptive Writing</b>	<b>Poetry Lecture</b> Days 1-5

Week 27	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Persuasive Business Letter, Expository Essay, Compare Contrast Essay, or Descriptive Writing</i>	Poetry Lecture Days 6-7
Week 28	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Persuasive Business Letter, Expository Essay, Compare Contrast Essay, or Descriptive Writing</i>	"Under the Back Porch" / "My Bed is a Boat" Days 1-5
Week 29	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"The Walrus and the Carpenter" / "The Owl and the Pussy-Cat" Days 1-5
Week 30	<b>Research Paper</b> Lessons 41, 42, 43, 44, 45	"Opportunity" / "Casey at the Bat" Days 1-5
Week 31	Lesson 46 – Research	<b>One-Week Break</b>
Week 32	Lesson 46 – Research	"All That is Gold Does Not Glitter" / "A Red, Red Rose" Days 1-5
Week 33	Lessons 47, 48, 49, 50	"Growing Pains" / "Love That Boy" Days 1-4
Week 34	Lessons 51, 52, 53	<i>Poetry Summative Assessment</i>