

# 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 8</b>	<b>Essentials in Literature 8</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Sentence Structure</b> Lessons 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C	<b>Fiction Introduction</b> Days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
<b>Week 2</b>	Lessons 4A, 4B, 5, 6A, 6B	"Stop the Sun" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 3</b>	Lessons 7, 8, 9, 10A, 10B	"A Mother in Mannville" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 4</b>	Lessons 11, 12 <b>Paragraphs</b> Lesson 13	"The Ransom of Red Chief" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 5</b>	Lessons 14, 15, 16, 17	<b>One-Week Break</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	<i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 14</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 15</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 16</i> <i>*Repeat assignment: Lesson 17</i>	"Checkouts" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"Raymond's Run" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>

Week 8	Lesson 18 <b>Personal Narrative</b> Lessons 19, 20	"The Treasure of Lemon Brown" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 9	Lessons 21, 22	<i>Fiction Summative Assessment</i> <b>Break</b>
Week 10	Lessons 23, 24, 25	<b>Nonfiction Introduction</b> Days 1-2
Week 11	<b>Summary</b> Lessons 26, 27	"Louisa's Civil War" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 12	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Personal Narrative</b> Lessons 21-25	"Roughing It" Days 1-5 <i>Independent Practice completed after Day 5 activities.</i>
Week 13	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"Top Ten Touring Areas" Days 1-5
Week 14	<b>Compare/Contrast Business Letter</b> Lessons 28, 29, 30, 31A, 31B	<b>One-Week Break</b>
Week 15	<b>Persuasive Essay</b> Lessons 32, 33, 34, 35, 36	"Virginia Hamilton" Days 1-5
Week 16	Lessons 37, 38, 39	"The Jews Are to Blame!" Days 1-5
Week 17	<b>Midterm Break</b>	<i>Nonfiction Summative Assessment</i> <b>Midterm Break</b>

Week 18	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Summary</b> Lessons 26, 27: Write a summary of a book or article of your choice.	<b>Novel Night</b> Days 1-5
Week 19	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Compare/Contrast Business Letter</b> Lessons 28-31B	Section One Days 6-9 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 6 activity]</i>
Week 20	<b>Expository Essay</b> Lessons 40, 41, 42, 43, 44	Section Two Days 10-13 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 10 activity]</i>
Week 21	<b>Expository Essay</b> Lessons 45, 46, 47, 48, 49	Section Three Days 14-16 <i>[Students can take 1-3 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 14 activity]</i>
Week 22	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Persuasive Essay</b> 4 Days - Lessons 32-39	Section Four Days 17-19 <i>[Students can take 1-3 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 17 activity]</i>
Week 23	<b>One-Week Break</b>	Section Five Days 20-23 <i>[Students can take 1-2 days to read assigned chapters and complete Day 20 activity]</i>
Week 24	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>Expository Essay</b> Lessons 40-49	<i>Novel Summative Assessment</i>
Week 25	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay</i>	Novel Culminating Activity
Week 26	<b>One-Week Break</b>	<b>One-Week Break</b>
Week 27	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <i>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay</i>	<b>Poetry Introduction</b> Days 1-4

Week 28	<b>One-Week Break</b>	"Mother to Son"/ "Mother O' Mine" Days 1-5
Week 29	<i>*Repeat assignment:</i> <b>CHOOSE either Personal Narrative, Compare/Contrast Business Letter, Persuasive Essay, or Expository Essay</b>	"I Am in Need of Music" / "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening" Days 1-5
Week 30	<b>One-Week Break</b>	<b>One-Week Break</b>
Week 31	<b>Research Paper</b> Lessons 50, 51, 52, 53, 54	"Sarah Cynthia..." Days 1-5
Week 32	Lesson 55 - Research	"I'm Nobody! Who Are You?" / "Sonnet 18" Days 1-5
Week 33	Lessons 56, 57, 58, 59, 60	"The Lady of Shalott" Days 1-4
Week 34	Lessons 61, 62, 63, 64	<i>Poetry Summative Assessment</i>