

First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
UNIT: Fiction and Nonfiction	UNIT: Short Stories	UNIT: Nonfiction	UNIT: Poetry
Reading Skill: Make predictions (make and support predictions, read ahead to confirm or modify predictions)	Reading Skill: compare and contrast (ask questions, compare character perspectives)	Reading Skill: Main Idea (identify the implied main idea, make connections)	Reading Skill: Context clues (preview for unfamiliar words, reread to confirm meaning)
Reading Skill: Author’s Purpose (recognizing details and using background information, analyze whether author achieves purpose)	Reading Skill: Make Inferences (use details to make inferences, identify connections to make inferences)	Reading Skill: Fact and opinion (use clues to distinguish fact from opinion, ask questions to evaluate support)	Reading Skills: Paraphrase (reread to clarify meaning, read aloud fluently according to punctuation)
Skill: Use information to solve a problem	Skill: compare summaries to an original text	Skill: Analyze treatment, scope, and organization of ideas	Skill: compare and contrast structure and features of poetry
Skill: Identify central idea and details	Skill: evaluate persuasive appeals	Skill: analyze proposition and support	
Literary Analysis Skill: Theme, Central Idea, Plot, Conflict and resolution, comparing narrative structure, mood, author’s style, comparing characters	Literary Analysis Skill: Character and plot, theme, setting, character traits, comparing types of narratives, point of view, symbols	Literary Analysis Skill: Point of view and purpose, organizational structure, word choice and tone, narrative essay, biography and autobiography, comparing text structure/organization, persuasive techniques, word choice, comparing tone	Literary Analysis Skill: connotative meanings, simile, metaphor, allusion, sound devices, figurative language, comparing poetry and prose, forms of poetry, imagery
Vocabulary: Big Question vocabulary, selection vocabulary, roots (-scope-, -trib-, -limin-, -judex-, -lum-, -duc-, -sol-, equi-) Dictionary and thesaurus skills	Vocabulary: Big Question vocabulary, selection vocabulary, prefixes (de-, , mis-, per-), suffixes (-ee, -ity,) roots (-nounce-, -spec-) Word origins	Vocabulary: Big Question vocabulary, selection vocabulary, suffixes (-ance, -ly) roots (-nym-, -val-, -vad-, -bellum-, -pass-, -tract-) Words with multiple meanings	Vocabulary: Big Question vocabulary, selection vocabulary, prefixes (im-, in-, trans-) suffixes (-ous, -ive) roots (-cede-, -ceed-, -vert-) Idioms
Conventions: common and proper nouns, plural nouns, using concrete, abstract, and possessive nouns, personal pronouns, reflexive	Conventions: action and linking verbs, principal parts of regular verbs, revising verb phrases for mood, simple tenses for verbs, tense and	Conventions: adjectives and articles, adverbs, revising to correct comparative and superlative forms, conjunctions, prepositions, revising	Conventions: infinitives and infinitive phrases, appositives and appositive phrases, revising using participles, independent and

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pronouns, revising for pronoun-antecedent agreement	mood of verbs, revising for subject-verb agreement	sentence structure by combining with conjunctions	subordinate clauses, revising fragments and run-ons
Writing: compose a new ending to a text, letter, personal narrative	Writing: descriptive, character profile, dialogue	Writing: how-to writing, argumentative: editorial,	Writing: poems
Major Assessment: Unit Test	Major Assessment: Unit Test	Major Assessment: Unit Test	Major Assessment: Unit Test
Major Assessment: Socratic Seminar	Major Assessment: Socratic Seminar	Major Assessment: Socratic Seminar	Major Assessment: Socratic Seminar
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