

**GRADE 7 ELA CURRICULUM SNAPSHOT  
2020-2021**

SEMESTER 1				
QUARTER 1			QUARTER 2	
1 WEEK	7 WEEKS	2 WEEKS	7 WEEKS	3 WEEKS
<p><b>Class overview/ opening of year activities/ rituals &amp; routines/ Intro 25 Books</b></p> <p><b>See guides:</b></p> <p><a href="#">First 15 Days</a></p> <p><a href="#">Rituals and Routines Grades 6-8</a></p>	<p><b>Red Scarf Girl and Narrative</b> (17 lessons)</p> <p><b>SU 2--</b> Get Started (1-4) <b>SU 3--</b> <i>Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution</i> by Ji-li Jiang (1-12) <b>SU 5—</b>Red Scarf Girl Reading Assessment (may be completed following lesson 10)</p>	<p><b>Brain Science</b> (22 lessons)</p> <p><b>SU 1--</b> <i>Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science</i> by John Fleischman (1-11) (2 Flex) <b>SU 2--</b> <i>Inventing Ourselves: The Secret Life of the Teenage Brain</i> by Sarah-Jayne Blakemore (1-5) <b>SU 4—</b>Write an Essay (1-5) (1 Flex) <b>SU 5—</b>Brain Science Reading Assessment</p>	<p><b>Poetry &amp; Poe</b> (18 lessons total—continue in Q3)</p> <p><b>SU 1—</b>Poetry (1-4) (1 Flex) <b>SU 2--</b> “The Tell-Tale Heart” by Edgar Allan Poe (1-3)</p>	
<p><b>Options If Time Permits:</b> Omitted Sub-units/Quest: Perception Academy/Amplify Poetry in America lessons</p>				
<p><b>Assessments:</b> AIMSweb/NWEA / Reading Assessment</p>			<p><b>Assessments:</b> AIMSweb /Interim/Essay</p>	

SEMESTER 2			
QUARTER 3		QUARTER 4	
4 WEEKS	5 WEEKS	4 WEEKS	7 WEEKS
<p><b>Poetry &amp; Poe</b> (18 lessons total—continue from Q2)</p> <p><b>SU 2--</b> “The Tell-Tale Heart” by Edgar Allan Poe (4-7) (1 Flex) <b>SU 3--</b> “The Cask of Amontillado” by Edgar Allan Poe (1-6) (1 Flex) <b>SU 6—</b>Poetry &amp; Poe Reading Assessment</p>	<p><b>The Gold Rush Collection</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Frida &amp; Diego Collection</b> (24 lessons)</p> <p><b>SU 1--</b> Information Literacy (1-4) (1 Flex) <b>SU 2--</b> Scavenger Hunt and Internet Research (1-4) (1 Flex) <b>SU 3--</b> Dear Diary/Descriptive Writing and Collection Research (1-4) (1 Flex) <b>SU 4--</b> Socratic Seminar and Internet Research (1-3) (1 Flex) <b>SU 5--</b> Write an Essay --Argumentative prompt (1-8) <b>SU 6--</b> The Gold Rush/Frida &amp; Diego Collection Reading Assessment</p>	<p><b>Character &amp; Conflict</b> (19 lessons)</p> <p><b>SU 2--</b> <i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> by Lorraine Hansberry (1-16) (3 Flex) <b>SU 3--</b> Dreams Deferred (1-2) <b>SU 5--</b> Character &amp; Conflict Unit Reading Assessment</p>	
<p><b>Options If Time Permits:</b> Omitted Sub-units/Quest: Who Killed Edgar Allan Poe/Amplify Poetry in America lessons</p>			
<p><b>Assessments:</b> NYS ELA/Reading Assessment/Essay</p>		<p><b>Assessments:</b> AIMSweb /NWEA /Reading Assessment</p>	