Grade 8 English Language Arts Curriculum and Pacing Guide

Weeks	Units/Lessons	Standards
1	Rules/Procedures/Pre-	
	Test/Assign 1 st Book Project	
2-3	Effective Writing	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	Color Poem, Proofreading	LS2, KL3, W1, W2, W3
	Marks, How to Write Answers,	
	The Sentence	
4-9	Writing Process	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	Parts of Speech, The Writing	LS2, KL3
	Process, Haiku, Pre-Test: Types	W6, W10, W1-8
	of Writing, On-Demand:	RS3,6,7,9,10
	Persuasive Letter, Play, "Too	RS1-6
	Soon a Woman"	
10-14	Analyzing Literature	LS1, LS2, W4, RL1,5,7,9,10; SL1-
	Agreement, Analyzing Lit, Poe,	4; W1-4
	"The Tell-Tale Heart," "The	WS7,8; RS1-10
	Raven," "Annabell Lee," "The	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	Landlady," Simile & Metaphor	LS2
15.10	poem	164 162 144
15-19	Informational Text Verb Usage, Understanding Info.	LS1, LS2, W4 R1,2; CS4-6
	Text, On-Demand: Feature	W7-9
	Articles, Research, Mood &	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	Tone, Formula Poem	LS2
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20-21	Dickens of a December	LS1, LS2, W4
	Usage & Capitalization, Dickens	RL1-7, 10
	& A Christmas Carol, Rhyme	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	Scheme poem	LS2
22-25	Speaking & Listening	LS1, LS2, W4
	Punctuation, Speak & Listen, On-	SL1-6
	Demand: Speech, Analyze "I	WS10, SL1-6, LS3
	Have a Dream" & "Gettysburg	RI 1-10
	Address," Alliteration poem, Play	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
		LS2
26-29	Active/Passive	LS1b
	Infitives/Gerunds/Participles,	RI4, RL4, LS4-6
	Vocab, "Ransom of Red Chief,"	W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	"Casey at the Bat," "The	LS2
	Cremation of Sam McGee,"	
	"Dogsong" & Gary Paulsen, Free	
	Verse poem	

30-32	Narrative Writing Quotation Marks, Apostrophes, On-Demand: Narratives, Odes, Play, Frost & Dickinson, Harriet	LS1, LS2, W4 W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1, LS2 RL1-10
33-34	Open Response & ODW Common Errors, Practice OR &	LS1, LS2, W4 W3d, W4, W5, W6, W10, LS1,
	ODW, Ballad Poem, "The Diary of Anne Frank"	LS2 RL1-10
35-36	Let's Wrap it Up! Post-Test, Review, Sign Language & "The Miracle Worker"	Review All