

## 2016-2017 Middle School Curriculum Planning Map Humanities 8th Grade

	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May/June
Literacy	The Death of a Pig by E. B. White and Short Stories - "The Bet"; "Dr. Heidegger's Experiment"; "God Sees the Truth But Waits"; "An Honest Thief"; "The Open Boat"	The Good Earth	Animal Farm by George Orwell;		Speeches and Essays - JFK In speech and essay	naugural Address, MLK	Twelfth Night by Shakespeare	Poetry - National Poetry Month	Autobiography excerpts from I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou
Writing	EIW Unit 1/2 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.	EIW Unit 3 Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.	EIW Unit 4 Research Paper- Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self- generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	EIW Unit 5 Compare and contrast the s texts and analyze how the d text contributes to its mean	iffering structure of each	EIW Unit 6 Persuasive Essay - Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	EIW Unit 7 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.	EIW Unit 8 Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	EIW Unit 9 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
Social Studies	Break-Up of the British Empire and the end of European Colonialism	Creation of People's Republic of China	Origins of the Cold War Korean War	America in the Cold War	The Civil Rights Movement	Vietnam War and the Rise of Social Activism	History of the Middle East and Oil Politics Geography of the region	The End of the Cold War and the Expansion of Democracy.	Civics: The Constitution Geography of Canada and Mexico
Assessment	Narrative essay	Explanatory Essay	Research Paper			Persuasive Essay	Explanatory Essay	Analysis Paper	Literary Analysis

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