TOWNSHIP OF UNION PUBLIC SCHOOLS CURRICULUM GUIDE



English Department

EN460 AP Language and Composition

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Course Description

An AP English Language and Composition course requires students to become skilled readers of prose written in a variety of rhetorical contexts and skilled writers who compose for a variety of purposes. Both the reading and their writing should make students aware of interactions among a writer's purposes, reader expectations, and an author's propositional content, as well as the genre conventions and the resources of language that contribute to effectiveness in writing (excerpted from the College Board website).

Standards At-A-Glance

	Reading	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
Unit 1	RL.11-1.1 RL.11-1.2 RL.11-1.4 RL.11-1.5 RL.11-1.6 RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.2 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 2	RL.11-1.1 RL.11-1.2 RL.11-12.3 RL.11-1.4 RL.11-1.5 RL.11-1.6 RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.3 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.2 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.3 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 3	RL.11-1.1 RL.11-1.2 RL.11-1.4 RL.11-1.5	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6	SL.11-12.1 SL.11-12.4 SL.11-12.5	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5

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Unit 4	RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1 SL.11-12.4 SL.11-12.5	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 5	RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.3 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.9 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1 SL.11-12.4 SL.11-12.5	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 6	RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.3 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.9 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1 SL.11-12.4 SL.11-12.5	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 7	RI.11-12.1 RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.3 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6 RI.11-12.9 RI.11-12.10	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1 SL.11-12.4 SL.11-12.5	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6
Unit 8	RI.11-12.2 RI.11-12.3 RI.11-12.4 RI.11-12.5 RI.11-12.6	W.11-2.1 W.11-2.4 W.11-2.5 W.11-2.6 W.11-2.10	SL.11-12.1	L.11-12.1 L.11-12.2 L.11-12.4 L.11-12.5 L.11-12.6

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Unit 1	15 days
Unit 2	15 days
Unit 3	15 days
Unit 4	30 days
Unit 5	30 days
Unit 6	30 days
Unit 7	30 days
Unit 8	Flexible throughout the year

Unit 1: An Introduction to Rhetoric

Unit Summary

This unit introduces one of the core concepts of the AP Language and Composition course: rhetoric. The terms in this unit will guide students' reading and analysis of texts throughout the school year.

Essential Questions

What is rhetoric?

How can one apply rhetoric and rhetorical devices to written and visual texts? How can one differentiate effective and ineffective rhetoric?

REA	DING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.	RL.11-12.1.
Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.	RL.11-12.2.
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (e.g., Shakespeare as well as other authors.)	RL.11-12.4

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Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.	RL.11-12.5.
Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).	RL.11-12.6
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6

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WRI	TING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1
Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.	W.11-12.2
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or	W.11-12.10

a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources

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SPEAKING AND LISTENING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on <i>grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues</i> , building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1	

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources

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LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2	
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5	
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or	L.11-12,6	

phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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SOAPSTone analysis		Chapter test		
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		Glencoe Writer's Choice. Grammar and Composition. New York:		
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Task Primary Focus		S	Secondary Focus	
SOAPSTone analysis Identifying cor			citing appropriate textual	
elements of a		text	evidence	
Reader response applying acad		lemic	Writing with varied and	
vocabulary to		texts	appropriate diction and	
			syntax	

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Unit 2: Close Reading

Unit Summary

This unit introduces another of the core concepts of the AP Language and Composition

course: close reading. The terms in this unit will guide students' reading and analysis of texts throughout the school year.

Essential Questions
What is a close read of a text?

What are the essential attributes to close reading written and visual texts? How do you translate a close read into a close analysis essay?

READING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.	RL.11-12.1.	
Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.	RL.11-12.2.	
Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).	RL.11-12.3	
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (e.g., Shakespeare as well as other authors.)	RL.11-12.4	
Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a	RL.11-12.5.	

comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.	
Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).	RL.11-12.6
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.	RI.11-12.3
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is	RI.11-12.6

particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10

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WRI	TING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1
Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.	W.11-12.2
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new	W.11-12.6

arguments or information.	
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.	W.11-12.10

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SPEAKING AND LISTENING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1	

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LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2	
Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.	L.11-12.3	

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	L.11-12.6

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SOAPSTone analysis		Chapter test	
Cornell notes		Close Read Analysis Essay	
Reader response			,
Thesis statement exercises			
Vocabulary/terms assessme	nt		
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Task	Primary Focus		Secondary Focus
SOAPSTone analysis	Identifying core rhetorical elements of a text		Citing appropriate textual evidence
Reader response	Applying academic vocabulary to texts		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax
Close Read Analysis Essay	Citing appropriate textual		Writing with varied and

evidence	appropriate diction and
	syntax

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Annotation Guidelines

Annotation Model

Annotation Graphic Organizer

Annotation rubric

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

Unit 3: Analyzing Arguments & Synthesizing Sources

Unit Summary

This unit introduces the final core concepts of the AP Language and Composition course: argument and synthesis. The terms and activities in this unit will guide students' reading and analysis of texts throughout the school year.

Essential Questions

What is argument?

How do claims and evidence shape an argument?

What is synthesis?

How does a writer synthesize sources to inform an argument and appeal to an audience?

READING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.	RL.11-12.1.	
Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.	RL.11-12.2.	
Determine the meaning of words and	RL.11-12.4	

phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (e.g., Shakespeare as well as other authors.)	
Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.	RL.11-12.5.
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5

Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10

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WRITING	
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6
Write routinely over extended time frames	

(time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.	W.11-12.10
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SPEAKING AND LISTENING	
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1
Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	SL.11-12.4
Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	SL.11-12.5

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LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1	

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grades 11–12 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.11-12.4
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	L.11-12.6
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources	

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Cornell notes	Small group presentation	
Reader response	Argument essay	
Vocabulary/terms assessment	Synthesis essay	
District/School Texts	District/School	
	Supplementary Materials	
The Language of Composition	Hartzell, Richard A. Cracking the AP	
Night	English Language & Composition	
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	Glencoe Writer's Choice. <i>Grammar and Composition</i> . New York:	
	Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, 2001. Print.	
District/School Writing Tasks		

Task	Primary Focus	Secondary Focus
Argument Essay	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence	Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax
Synthesis Essay	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence	Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax

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AP essay rubric: Argument

AP essay rubric: Synthesis

Unit 4: Education

Unit Summary

This unit explores the subject of education through a variety of fiction, non-fiction, and media texts.

Essential Questions

To what extent do our schools serve the goals of a true education?

READING	
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text	RI.11-12.4

(e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10

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TEDtalk: Changing Paradigms

A World Where Fish are No Longer Forced to Climb Trees

TEDtalk: Hackschooling

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WRITING	
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most	W.11-12.5

significant for a specific purpose and audience.	
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.	W.11-12.10

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Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1	
Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	SL.11-12.4	
Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	SL.11-12.5	
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources		
Shea, Renée Hausmann., Lawrence Scanlon, and Robin Dissin. Aufses. <i>The</i>		

Language of Composition: Reading, Writing, Rhetoric. Boston, MA: Bedford / St.

LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions		
of standard English grammar and usage	L.11-12.1	
when writing or speaking.		
Demonstrate command of the conventions		
of standard English capitalization,	L.11-12.2	
punctuation, and spelling when writing.		
Determine or clarify the meaning of		
unknown and multiple-meaning words and	31	
phrases based on grades 11-12 reading	L.11-12.4	
and content, choosing flexibly from a		
range of strategies.		
Demonstrate understanding of figurative	1 44 40 5	
language, word relationships, and nuances	L.11-12.5	
in word meanings.		
Acquire and use accurately general		
academic and domain-specific words and		
phrases, sufficient for reading, writing,		
speaking, and listening at the college and	L.11-12.6	
career readiness level; demonstrate	L. I I-12.0	
independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or		
phrase important to comprehension or		
expression.		
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ASSESSMENT PLAN		
District/School Formative Assessment Plan	District/School Summative Assessment Plan	
SOAPSTone analysis	Chapter test	
Cornell notes	Culminating Assignment	
Reader response		
Vocabulary/terms assessment		
District/School Texts	District/School	
	Supplementary Materials	
The Language of Composition	Hartzell, Richard A. Cracking the AP	

			nnguage & Composition o.: n.p., n.d. Print.
		Compositi	er's Choice. <i>Grammar and</i> on. New York: IcGraw-Hill, 2001. Print.
	District/Schoo	<u> </u>	
Task	Primary Focus		Secondary Focus
Synthesis Essay	Developing a citing appropr evidence		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax
Research	Developing a citing appropr evidence		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax

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AP essay rubric: Synthesis

Unit 5: Community

Unit Summary

This unit explores the subject of community through a variety of fiction, non-fiction, and media texts.

Essential Questions

What is the relationship of the individual to the community?

READING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1	
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2	
Analyze a complex set of ideas or	RI.11-12.3	

sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.		
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4	
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5	
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6	
Analyze and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) documents of historical and literary significance for their themes, purposes and rhetorical features, including primary source documents relevant to U.S. and/or global history.	RI.11-12.9	
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10	
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources		

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources
Shea, Renée Hausmann., Lawrence Scanlon, and Robin Dissin. Aufses. *The* Language of Composition: Reading, Writing, Rhetoric. Boston, MA: Bedford / St. Martins, 2008. Print.

TEDtalk: My Road Trip

Letter From Birmingham Jail analysis worksheet

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WRITING		
Standards		
W.11-12.1		
W.11-12.4		
W.11-12.5		
W.11-12.6		
W.11-12.10		

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SPEAKING A	ND LISTENING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with	SL.11-12.1

peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	
Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	SL.11-12.4
Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	SL.11-12.5

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources
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LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2	
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grades 11–12 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.11-12.4	
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5	
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or	L.11-12.6	

expression.

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources

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Vocabulary/terms assessmen	nt		
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		Supp	lementary Materials
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District/School Writing Task		S	
Task	Primary Focus	S	Secondary Focus
AP style Essay	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax
Research	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax

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AP essay rubric: Argument

AP essay rubric: Synthesis

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

Unit Summary

This unit explores one of the remaining themes in the text [the economy, gender, sports, language, popular culture, the environment, politics] through a variety of fiction, non-fiction, and media texts.

Essential Questions

[The economy]: What is the role of the economy in our everyday lives?

[Gender]: What is the impact of the gender roles that society creates and enforces?

[Sports]: How do the values of sports affect the way we see ourselves?

[Language]: How does the language we use reveal who we are?

[Popular Culture]: To what extent does pop culture reflect our society's values?

[The environment]: What is our responsibility to the natural environment?

[Politics]: What is the relationship between the citizen and state?

REA	DING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.	RI.11-12.3
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her	RI.11-12.5

exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6
Analyze and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) documents of historical and literary significance for their themes, purposes and rhetorical features, including primary source documents relevant to U.S. and/or global history.	RI.11-12.9
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10

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WRITING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1	
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4	

Develop and atropathon uniting as pooded	
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.	W.11-12.10

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SPEAKING AND LISTENING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on <i>grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues</i> , building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1	
Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	SL.11-12.4	
Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add	SL.11-12.5	

interest.

Suggested Materials/Educational Resources

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LANGUAGE		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2	
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grades 11–12 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.11-12.4	
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5	
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	L.11-12.6	

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Reader response			
Vocabulary/terms assessm	ent		
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		Supp	lementary Materials
The Language of Composition		Hartzell, Rich	ard A. Cracking the AP
		English La	nguage & Composition
		Exam. N.p	.: n.p., n.d. Print.
			er's Choice <i>. Grammar and</i> on. New York:
		Glencoe/M	1cGraw-Hill, 2001. Print.
District/Schoo		I Writing Task	S
Task	Primary Focus	S	Secondary Focus
AP style Essay	Developing a	clear claim &	Writing with varied and
	citing appropr	iate textual	appropriate diction and
	evidence		syntax
Research	Developing a	clear claim &	Writing with varied and
	citing appropriate textual		appropriate diction and
	evidence		syntax

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AP essay rubric: Argument AP essay rubric: Synthesis

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

Unit 7: Theme Choice

Unit Summary

This unit explores one of the remaining themes in the text [the economy, gender, sports, language, popular culture, the environment, politics] through a variety of fiction, non-fiction, and media texts.

Essential Questions

[The economy]: What is the role of the economy in our everyday lives?

[Gender]: What is the impact of the gender roles that society creates and enforces?

[Sports]: How do the values of sports affect the way we see ourselves?

[Language]: How does the language we use reveal who we are?

[Popular Culture]: To what extent does pop culture reflect our society's values?

[The environment]: What is our responsibility to the natural environment?

[Politics]: What is the relationship between the citizen and state?

READING

Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain	RI.11-12.1
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2
Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.	RI.11-12.3
Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6
Analyze and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) documents of historical and literary significance for their	RI.11-12.9

themes, purposes and rhetorical features, including primary source documents relevant to U.S. and/or global history.	
By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above.	RI.11-12.10

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WRI	TING
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision)	

and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks,	W.11-12.10
purposes.	

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SPEAKING AND LISTENING		
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards	
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1	
Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	SL.11-12.4	
Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	SL.11-12.5	
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources		

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LANGUAGE			
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards		
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1		
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2		

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grades 11–12 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.11-12.4
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	L.11-12.6

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Reader response		Photo Essay	
Vocabulary/terms assessmer	nt		
District/School Te	exts	i	District/School lementary Materials
The Language of Composition		Hartzell, Richard A. Cracking the AP	
,		English Language & Composition	
		Exam. N.p.: n.p., n.d. Print.	
		Glencoe Writer's Choice. <i>Grammar and Composition</i> . New York:	
		Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, 2001. Print.	
District/School Writing Tasks			
Task	Primary Focus		Secondary Focus
AP style Essay	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual		Writing with varied and
			appropriate diction and

	evidence	syntax
Research	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence	Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax
Photo Essay	Developing a clear claim	Revealing and supporting a claim with images and text.

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AP essay rubric: Argument AP essay rubric: Synthesis

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

Unit 8: AP Test Preparation

Unit Summary

This unit will run throughout the school year and serves to prepare students for the AP exam format and pacing. It consists of full timed practice exams, timed writings, and multiple choice analysis.

Essential Questions

What is the format of the AP exam?

What are the different types of questions are on the multiple choice section of the AP exam?

What are the 3 types of AP essays?

What are the essential attributes for each type of essay?

READING			
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards		
Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	RI.11-12.2		
Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.	RI.11-12.3		

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	RI.11-12.4	
Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging	RI.11-12.5	
Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text	RI.11-12.6	
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources		
Released tests from AP Central		
AP essay rubric: Argument		
AP essay rubric: Synthesis		
AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis		

WRITING			
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards		
Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	W.11-12.1		
Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.11-12.4		
Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	W.11-12.5		

Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	W.11-12.6	
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes.	W.11-12.10	
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Released tests from AP Central AP essay rubric: Argument AP essay rubric: Synthesis

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

SPEAKING AND LISTENING			
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards		
Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on <i>grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues,</i> building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	SL.11-12.1		
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources			

Released tests from AP Central

AP essay rubric: Argument
AP essay rubric: Synthesis
AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

LANGUAGE			
Critical Knowledge and Skills	Standards		
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	L.11-12.1		
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.11-12.2		
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grades 11–12 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.11-12.4		

Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.11-12.5	
Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	L.11-12.6	
Suggested Materials/Educational Resources		

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AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis

ASSESSMENT PLAN			
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Single passage timed MC AP essay rough drafts AP MC analysis		Full AP practice exams Final drafts of AP essay	
District/School Texts District/School Supplementary Mate		lementary Materials	
The Language of Composition		Hartzell, Richard A. Cracking the AP English Language & Composition Exam. N.p.: n.p., n.d. Print. Glencoe Writer's Choice. Grammar and Composition. New York:	
		Glencoe/McGraw-Hill, 2001. Print.	
	District/Schoo	I Writing Task	S
Task	Primary Focus		Secondary Focus
AP style Essays	Developing a clear claim & citing appropriate textual evidence		Writing with varied and appropriate diction and syntax

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Released tests from AP Central AP essay rubric: Argument AP essay rubric: Synthesis

AP essay rubric: Rhetorical Analysis