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Quarter	Unit	Spotlight Benchmarks	Pacing	Text Selection	Assessments
1	Unit 1: Everyone Loves a Mystery (Narrative)		First Days of School 8/10-8/11	Syllabus, Rules, Expectations, Team Building	
		C.5.2 , C.1.5 , V.1.3	Week 1 8/14-8/18	Guide 1 : Unit Overview; SyncStart: The Tell-Tale Heart	
		V.1.3 , R.1.1	Week 2 8/21-8/25	Guide 2 : Tell-Tale Heart; Monster	
		R.1.1 , R.2.3 , R.2.4	Week 3 8/28-9/1	Guide 3 : Monster; Let 'Em Play God	
		R.2.3 , R.3.4	Week 4 9/5-9/8	Guide 4 : Let 'Em Play God; Sympathy; Ten Days in a Mad-House (Chapter IV)	
		R.3.3 , R.2.3	Week 5 9/11-9/15	Guide 5 : Ten Days in a Mad-House (Chapter IV); The Lottery	Exemplar R.2.3 <i>*Also assess R.3.4</i>
		R.1.1 , V.1.3	Week 6 9/18-9/22	Guide 6 : The Lottery, The Monkey's Paw	
		R.1.1 , R.1.2 ,	Week 7 9/25-9/29	Guide 7 : The Monkey's Paw	Exemplar R.1.1
		R.2.2 , C.1.2 , C.1.5	Week 8 10/2-10/6	Guide 8 : Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science; Extended Writing Project: : Narrative	
		C.1.2 , C.1.5	Week 9 10/9-10/13	Guide 9 : Extended Writing Project: Narrative	EWP: Narrative
2	Unit 2: Past and Present (Argumentative)	C.5.2 , C.1.5	Week 1 10/16-10/20	Guide 10 : Targeted & Differentiated Skills Review; Unit Overview; I'm Nobody! Who are you?	
		R.1.4 , R.2.4	Week 2 10/23-10/27	Guide 11 : I'm Nobody! Who are you?; Commencement Address to the Santa Fe Indian School	
		R.2.4 , R.2.2 , C.1.4	Week 3 10/30-11/3	Guide 12 : Commencement Address to the Santa Fe Indian School; Curtain Call; So where are you from?	
		R.1.4 , R.3.1 , V.1.3	Week 4 11/6-11/10	Guide 13 : Slam, Dunk & Hook	Exemplar R.1.4
		C.1.4 , R.1.4 , R.3.1	Week 5 11/13-11/17	Guide 14 : Inside Out and Back Again; Theories of Time and Space; The Road Not Taken	
		R.1.4 , R.3.1 , R.3.2	Week 6 11/27-12/1	Guide 15 : The Road Not Taken; The House on Mango Street	
		R.1.1 , R.1.2	Week 7 12/4-12/8	Guide 16 : Abuela Invents the Zero	Exemplar R.3.1 <i>*Also assess R.2.2 and R.3.2</i>
		C.1.3 , C.1.5	Week 8 12/11-12/15	Guide 17 : Extended Writing Project: Argumentative	
		C.1.3 , C.1.5	Week 9 12/18-12/21	Guide 18 : Extended Writing Project: Argumentative	EWP: Argumentative
3	Unit 3: No Risk, No Reward (Expository)	C.5.2 , C.1.5	Week 1 1/9-1/12	Guide 19 : Targeted & Differentiated Skills Review; Unit Overview; Vanishing Island	
		R.2.1 , C.1.4	Week 2 1/16-1/19	Guide 20 : Vanishing Island; A Night to Remember	
		R.2.1	Week 3 1/22-1/26	Guide 21 : Address to the Nation on the Explosion of the Space Shuttle 'Challenger'; A Kenyan Teen's Discovery Let There Be Lights to Save Lions	



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		R.2.1 , C.1.4	Week 4 1/29-2/2	Guide 22 : A Kenyan Teen's Discovery Let There Be Lights to Save Lions; Mother to Son; Learning to Read; Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave	Exemplar R.2.1
		R.3.1 , V.1.3	Week 5 2/5-2/9	Guide 23 : Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave; The Call of the Wild	
		R.1.2 , R.1.3	Week 6 2/12-2/15	Guide 24 : The Call of the Wild	Exemplar R.1.3 <i>*Also assess R.1.2</i>
		V.1.3 , R.1.4	Week 7 2/19-2/23	Guide 25 : Cocoon	
		R.3.3 , R.3.2	Week 8 2/26-3/1	Guide 26 : The Invisible One	
		C.1.4 , C.1.5	Week 9 3/4-3/8	Guide 27 : The Invisible One; Extended Writing Project: Expository	
		C.1.4 , C.1.5	Week 10 3/11-3/15	Guide 28 : Extended Writing Project: Expository	EWP: Expository
4	Unit 4: Hear Me Out (Literary Analysis) <i>Extended Text: The Hobbit</i>	Full Benchmark Review	Weeks 1-3 3/25-4/12	Guide 29 : Just in Time - Reading and Writing Review	
		R.3.3 , R.2.1 , R.2.4	Week 4 4/15-4/19	Guide 30A : The Hobbit (Chapters 1-2); Restless Genes	Exemplar R.3.3 <i>*Also assess R.3.2 *Optional</i>
		R.3.3 , V.1.3	Week 5 4/22-4/26	Guide 31A : The Hobbit (Chapters 3-7)	
		R.3.3 , R.2.1	Week 6 4/29-5/3	Guide 32A : The Hobbit (Chapters 8-9)	Exemplar R.2.4 <i>*Optional</i>
		R.3.3 , R.2.1	Week 7 5/6-5/10	Guide 33A : The Hobbit (Chapters 10-12); Leon Bridges on overcoming Childhood Isolations and Finding His Voice: 'You Can't Teach Soul'	
		R.3.3 , R.1.4 , R.3.1	Week 8 5/13-5/17	Guide 34A : The Hobbit (Chapters 13-19); Journey	
		C.1.3 , C.1.5	Week 9 5/20-5/24	Guide 35A : The Extended Writing Project-Literary Analysis	
		C.1.3 , C.1.5	Week 10 5/27-5/31	Guide 36A : The Extended Writing Project-Literary Analysis	EWP: Literary Analysis