

Language Arts 8th Grade

Course Overview:

English 8 will continue to engage students in a wide variety of experiences in literature, composition, and grammar. In literature, the students will read novels, poems, and short stories to understand and appreciate their content and artistry. In composition, students develop their skills in argumentative, expository prose. Exercises in grammar, punctuation, and vocabulary are included.

Text Books:

1. Study Sync
2. *The Outsiders*
3. *Endless Steppe (honors)*
4. *Turnabout (honors)*
5. *The Wave (honors)*
6. *Downsiders (honors)*
7. *The Girl Who Dared to Think (honors)*
8. *Scythe (honors)*
9. *Configured (honors)*
10. *Bruiser (honors)*
11. *Five People You Meet in Heaven (honors)*
12. *Refugee*
13. "The Lady, or the Tiger" (*honors*)
14. The play version of *The Diary of Anne Frank*
15. "Flowers for Algernon" (*honors*)
16. "The Monkey's Paw"
17. "Us and Them" (*honors*)
18. "Tell-Tale Heart"
19. "The Necklace"
20. "Gift of the Magi"
21. "Mother to Son"
22. "Road Not Taken"
23. "Little Boy Lost/Little Boy Found" (*honors*)

24. "Poison Tree" (honors)
25. "Introduction to Poetry" (honors)
26. "Nothing Gold Can Stay"
27. "This is Just to Say" (honors)
28. "O Captain, My Captain"
29. "The Landlady"
30. "Harrison Bergeron" (honors)
31. "The Last Leaf"
32. "Robot Dreams"
33. "The Storyteller"
34. "Rules of the Game"
35. "The Power of Negative Thinking"
36. "Life isn't Fair--Deal with It"
37. "Abuela Invents the Zero"
38. "Ruthless" (honors)
39. "Button, Button" (honors)
40. "Lather & Nothing Else" (honors)
41. "The Terror" (honors)

Assessments:

1. MAP
2. [Spring OST-ELA](#)
3. Common Assessments

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