

# Unit II - Folklore & Fiction

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## State Mandated Topics Addressed in this Unit

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## Folklore & Fiction

## Learning Objectives

- Critical textual annotation will be taught in addition to syntax variety, figurative language, and narrative structure.
- Developing well-organized textual evidence to support written and oral analysis of a given text.
- Respond to assigned secondary, informational readings and/or short videos.
- Respond to specific passages in the primary text to analyze literary elements and in response to narrative structure, the development of characters and themes, and figurative language.

## Essential Skills

## Writing Skills

- Determine and address the audience appropriately (W.9-10.4)
- Develop and use appropriate planning templates (W.9-10.5)
- Identify and understand the writing purpose (W.9-10.4)
- Understand and utilize revision techniques (W.9-10.5)
- Use relevant and sufficient facts, definitions, details, and quotes (W.9-10.2)
- Use sources that are appropriate to task, audience, and purpose (W.9-10.2)
- Use technology proficiently for production, publication, and collaboration (W.9-10.6)

## Language Skills

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- Apply knowledge of language to make effective choices to shape the meaning and style (L.9-10.3)
- Identify and use various types of phrases and clauses (L.9-10.1)
- Understand concepts of parallelism ( i.e.; repeated grammatical patterns, types of phrases, and types of clauses) and how to use effectively (L.9-10.1)
- Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation (L.9-10.2)
- Use a semicolon or conjunctive adverb to link two or more closely related independent clauses (L.9-10.2)
- Use context clues to derive word meaning ( connotation, denotation, word function and position) (L.9-10.4)
- Vary sentence structure to convey specific meaning and interest in writing and presentation (L.9-10.1)

## Reading Skills

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- Analyze how the author presents the ideas or events and how the ideas are introduced, sequenced, and developed to contribute to the overall purpose of the text (RL.9-10.3; RI.9-10.3)
- Analyze relationship between implicit and explicit text evidence and how it contributes to the meaning of the text (RL.9-10.1; RI.9-10.1)
- Analyze the text for inferred and literal meanings (RL.9-10.1; RI.9-10.1)
- Determine a theme and central idea (RL.9-10.2; RI.9-10.2)
- Determine how the theme/central idea emerges and is refined or strengthened by key details (RL.9-10.2; RI.9-10.2)
- Identify explicit and implicit textual evidence (RL.9-10.1; RI.9-10.1)
- Identify rhetorical devices and text structures that may develop the purpose of piece (RI.9-10.6)
- Identify rhetorical devices and text structures that may develop the purpose of piece (RL.9-10.6; RI.9-10.6)
- Recognize and understand a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a text from outside the United States (RL.9-10.6)
- Understand how word choice impacts meaning (figurative, connotative, technical meaning) (RL.9-10.4; RI.9-10.4)

## Standards

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ELA.L	Language
ELA.L.SS.11–12.1	Demonstrate command of the system and structure of the English language when writing or speaking.
ELA.L.SS.11–12.1.A	Apply the understanding that usage is a matter of convention, can change over time, and place, and is sometimes contested.
ELA.L.SS.11–12.1.B	Observe hyphenation conventions.
ELA.L.SS.11–12.1.C	Recognize spelling conventions.
ELA.L.KL.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.

ELA.L.KL.11–12.2.A	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.
ELA.L.KL.11–12.2.B	Vary syntax for effect, apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts.
ELA.L.KL.11–12.2.C	Demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11–12 reading and content, including technical meanings, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3.A	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word’s position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3.B	Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3.C	Analyze how an author or speaker uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text or discussion.
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3.D	Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage.
ELA.L.VL.11–12.3.E	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
ELA.L.VI.11–12.4	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings, including connotative meanings.
ELA.L.VI.11–12.4.A	Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text.
ELA.L.VI.11–12.4.B	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
ELA.L.VI.11–12.4.C	Analyze how the meaning of a key term or terms develops or is refined over the course of a text.
ELA.L.VI.11–12.4.D	Analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful.
ELA.R	Reading
ELA.RL.CR.11–12.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to strongly support a comprehensive analysis of multiple aspects of what a literary text says explicitly and inferentially, as well as interpretations of the text; this may include determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
ELA.RI.CI.11–12.2	Determine two or more central ideas of an informational text and analyze how they are developed and refined over the course of a text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex account or analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
ELA.RI.IT.11–12.3	Analyze the impact of an author's choices as they develop ideas throughout the text regarding a complex set of ideas or sequence of events, and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop.
ELA.RI.TS.11–12.4	Evaluate the author’s choices concerning structure and 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.
ELA.RI.PP.11–12.5	Analyze an author’s purpose in a text distinguishing what is directly stated in a text or through rhetoric, analyzing how style and content convey information and advance a point of view.
ELA.RI.MF.11–12.6	Synthesize complex information across multiple sources and formats to develop ideas, resolve conflicting information, or develop an interpretation that goes beyond explicit text

	information (e.g., express a personal point of view, new interpretation of the concept).
ELA.RI.AA.11–12.7	Describe and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. and global texts, and the premises, purposes, and arguments in these works.
ELA.RI.CT.11–12.8	Analyze and reflect on (e.g., practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) documents of historical and scientific significance for their purposes, including primary source documents relevant to U.S. and/or global history and texts proposing scientific or technical advancements.
ELA.W	Writing
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1.A	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1.B	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims avoiding common logical fallacies and using sound reasoning and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience’s knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1.C	Use transitions (e.g., words, phrases, clauses) to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1.D	Establish and maintain a style and tone appropriate to the audience and purpose (e.g., formal and objective for academic writing) while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.
ELA.W.AW.11–12.1.E	Provide a concluding paragraph or section that supports the argument presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
ELA.W.WP.11–12.4	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach; sustaining effort to complete complex writing tasks; tracking and reflecting on personal writing progress (e.g., using portfolios, journals, conferencing); or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
ELA.W.SE.11–12.6	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation (MLA or APA Style Manuals).
ELA.SL	Speaking and Listening
ELA.SL.PE.11–12.1	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.
ELA.SL.PE.11–12.1.A	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
ELA.SL.PE.11–12.1.B	Collaborate with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and assessments (e.g., student developed rubrics), and establish individual roles as needed.
ELA.SL.PE.11–12.1.C	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
ELA.SL.PE.11–12.1.D	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what

additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

ELA.SL.ES.11–12.3

Evaluate a speaker’s point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used.

ELA.SL.PI.11–12.4

Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

## Instructional Tasks/Activities

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- Wade in the Water
- - “Uncle Remus, No Friend of Mine”
- - Final Exam (Fences)
- - How has the style / function transferred to current day African American culture?
- - Poem analysis / discussion
- - Background information
- - Compare/Contrast folklore
- - Discuss/Write: Inherent racism within collections/anthologies; the power of writing; agency.
- - Extended writing activity
- - Function / purpose of spirituals
- - Genre notes
- - Harlem Renaissance notes
- - Identifying archetypes and themes in African American folklore
- - Introduction to Fences
- - Langston Hughes Background Information
- - Multiple Choice Test
- - Notes on African American oral tradition. orature, and folklore
- - Octavia Butler Biography
- - Style
- - What is the modern function? Make connections to current day.
- A Dream Deferred
- Fences
- Mules and Men
- My Bondage and My Freedom
- Speculative Fiction - Kindred
- Swing Low Sweet Chariot
- Uncle Remus, His Songs and His Sayings: The Folklore of the Old Plantation

## Assessment Procedure

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- Classroom Total Participation Technique
- Classwork
- DBQ
- Essay
- Exit Ticket/Entrance Ticket/Do Now
- Journal / Student Reflection
- Kahoot
- Other named in lesson
- Peer Review
- Performance
- Problem Correction
- Project
- Quiz
- Rubric
- Teacher Collected Data
- Test
- Worksheet

## **Recommended Technology Activities**

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- Appropriate Content Specific Online Resource
- Chromebook
- Gimkit
- GoGuardian
- Google Classroom
- Google Docs
- Google Forms
- Google Slides
- Kahoot
- MagicSchool AI
- Other- Specified in Lesson
- Quiziz
- Screencastify

## **Accommodations & Modifications & Differentiation**

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Accommodations and Modifications should be used to meet individual needs. Their IEP and 504 plans should be used in addition to the following suggestions.

## **Gifted and Talented**

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- Compare & Contrast
- Conferencing
- Debates
- Jigsaw
- Peer Partner Learning
- Problem Solving
- Structured Controversy
- Think, Pair, Share
- Tutorial Groups

## **Instruction/Materials**

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- alter format of materials (type/highlight, etc.)
- color code materials
- eliminate answers
- extended time
- extended time
- large print
- modified quiz
- modified test
- Modify Assignments as Needed
- Modify/Repeat/Model directions
- necessary assignments only
- Other (specify in plans)
- other- named in lesson
- provide assistance and cues for transitions
- provide daily assignment list
- read class materials orally
- reduce work load
- shorten assignments
- study guide/outline
- utilize multi-sensory modes to reinforce instruction

## **Environment**

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- alter physical room environment

- assign peer tutors/work buddies/note takers
- assign preferential seating
- individualized instruction/small group
- modify student schedule (Describe)
- other- please specify in plans
- provide desktop list/formula

## **Honors Modifications**

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## **Resources**

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- Uncle Remus, His Songs and His Sayings: The Folklore of the Old Plantation
- “Uncle Remus, No Friend of Mine” – Alice Walker
- “Wade in the Water: The Wisdom of the Spirituals” Saving the Race: Conversations on DuBois from a Collective Memoir of Souls” – Rebecca Carroll
- “What Slaves are Taught to Think of the North” from Incidents of a Slave Girl – Harriet Ann Jacobs
- A Dream Deferred
- Fences
- Mules and Men
- My Bondage and My freedom
- Swing Low Sweet Chariot
- Wade in the Water