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Content Area: ELA

Course(s):

Time Period: Full Year
Length: 2-3 weeks
Status: Published

**General Overview, Course Description or Course Philosophy** 

# **OBJECTIVES, ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS, ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS**

Students will understand that:

- simply because a work is rejected does not make it bad; simply because a work is published does not make it good.
- there are a multitude of literary journals with different formats, styles, readers, and writers.
- a publishable piece of writing must find the right journal to achieve publication.
- technology has made it easier than ever to publish one's work.

#### **CONTENT AREA STANDARDS**

- L.11-12.3. 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. A. Vary syntax for effect, apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts.
- L.11-12.4. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11–12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
- 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.
- B. Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).
- C. 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.
- D. 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).

- L.11-12.5. Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. A. Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze their role in the text. B. Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
- L.11-12.6. 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.
- W.11-12.10. 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.11-12.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
- W.11-12.5. 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.11-12.6. 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.11-12.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
- A. Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
- B. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
- C. Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
- D. Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
- E. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

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LA.W.11-12.5	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.
LA.W.11-12.6	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.
LA.W.11-12.7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
LA.L.11-12.1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
LA.L.11-12.2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

# **RELATED STANDARDS (Technology, 21st Century Life & Careers, ELA Companion Standards are Required)**

CS.K-12.2.a	Cultivate working relationships with individuals possessing diverse perspectives, skills, and personalities.
TECH.K-12.P.1	Act as a responsible and contributing community members and employee.
TECH.K-12.P.4	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.

# **STUDENT LEARNING TARGETS**

# **Declarative Knowledge**

Students will know:

- how to format a proper cover letter and submission.
- how to navigate different submission guidelines of literary journals.
- the different types of publishing rights.
- submission etiquette when simultaneously submitting work.
- how to keep records of submissions.

# **Procedural Knowledge**

Students will be able to:

- conduct research on a variety of literary magazines, publications, contests, and journals in order to determine which best fit their own writing style.
- produce clear and coherent new writing/revise and edit previously written work that is appropriate for the publications to which they are submitted.
- demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in a cover letter
- use technology resources such as Submittable to share and submit their original writing.
- select and reflect on the content of several literary journals and share findings with peers.
- evaluate and classify peer writing to nominate and recommend works for publication in particular journals.

#### **EVIDENCE OF LEARNING**

# **Alternate Assessments**

- Multimedia Presentations
- Poster Presentations
- Teacher/Student Conferences
- Modified Rubrics

#### **Formative Assessments**

Class discussions, journals, group and individual research

#### **Summative Assessments**

Submissions to literary journals, cover letters, reflections on journals

# **RESOURCES (Instructional, Supplemental, Intervention Materials)**

- NewPages' Young Authors Guide to publication
- 10 Publication Opportunities for Young Writers
- How to Submit Your Writing to Literary Magazines
- 13 Places to Publish Student Art and Writing
- Scholastic Student Writing Contests and Publishing Opportunities
- 50+ Great Poetry and Writing Organizations

# **INTERDISCIPLINARY CONNECTIONS**

Technology/multimedia: educational tech applications

Career Readiness: Employ valid and reliable research strategies. Use technology to enhance productivity. Applicable career options are discussed as they arise throughout the course; career options include but are not limited to business, journalism, education, psychology, social work, politics, research and art.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS & MODIFICATIONS FOR SUBGROUPS**

See link to Accommodations & Modifications document in course folder.