

# 05 Drama Copied from: English 1, Copied on: 11/15/23

Content Area: **TEMPLATE**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **Full Year**  
Length: **6 Weeks ( 30 Days)**  
Status: **Published**

## General Overview, Course Description or Course Philosophy

### OBJECTIVES, ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS, ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS

Students will understand that:

- Themes of plays are used to teach the reader lessons about life.
- Literary devices and figurative language are used to enrich the author's purpose for writing a play while also bringing the story and its characters alive to the reader.
- There are structural differences between that of a novel and play.
- Authors use a variety of techniques in developing characters including soliloquy and monologue.

### CONTENT AREA STANDARDS

SL.9-10.1. Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 9–10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

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.

B. Collaborate with peers to set rules for discussions (e.g. informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views); develop clear goals and assessment criteria (e.g. student developed rubric) and assign individual roles as needed.

C. Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

D. Respond thoughtfully to various perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and justify own views. Make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

RL.9-10.4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how

the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone). RL.9-10.5. Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create specific effects (e.g. mystery, tension, or surprise).

RL.9-10.6. Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.

RI.9-10.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.) and make relevant connections, to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RI.9-10.2. Determine a central idea of a text and analyze how it is developed and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

RI.9-10.3. Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

W.9-10.8. Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation (MLA or APA Style Manuals).

LA.RL.9-10.2	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details and provide an objective summary of the text.
LA.RL.9-10.3	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
LA.RL.9-10.4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
LA.RL.9-10.5	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create specific effects (e.g., mystery, tension, or surprise).
LA.RL.9-10.7	Analyze the representation of a subject or a key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each work (e.g., Auden's "Musée des Beaux Arts" and Breughel's Landscape with the Fall of Icarus).
LA.W.9-10.1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

SOC.6.1.12.HistoryCA.2.a	Research multiple perspectives to explain the struggle to create an American identity.
LA.W.9-10.3	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
LA.W.9-10.4	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.)
LA.W.9-10.5	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.9-10.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology’s capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
LA.W.9-10.7	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.W.9-10.8	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation (MLA or APA Style Manuals).
LA.SL.9-10.1	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 9–10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
LA.SL.9-10.4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
LA.SL.9-10.5	Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.
SOC.6.3	Active Citizenship in the 21st Century  Evidence from multiple relevant historical sources and interpretations can be used to develop a reasoned argument about the past.

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

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9.4.12.CI.1: Demonstrate the ability to reflect, analyze, and use creative skills and ideas (e.g., 1.1.12prof.CR3a).

9.4.12.CT.1: Identify problem-solving strategies used in the development of an innovative product or practice (e.g., 1.1.12acc.C1b, 2.2.12.PF.3).

9.4.12.CT.2: Explain the potential benefits of collaborating to enhance critical thinking and problem solving (e.g., 1.3E.12profCR3.a).

9.4.12.IML.1: Compare search browsers and recognize features that allow for filtering of information.

9.4.12.IML.2: Evaluate digital sources for timeliness, accuracy, perspective, credibility of the source, and relevance of information, in media, data, or other resources (e.g., NJSLSA.W8, Social Studies Practice:

## Gathering and Evaluating Sources.

9.4.12.TL.1: Assess digital tools based on features such as accessibility options, capacities, and utility for accomplishing a specified task

9.4.12.TL.3: Analyze the effectiveness of the process and quality of collaborative environments.

9.4.12.TL.4: Collaborate in online learning communities or social networks or virtual worlds to analyze and propose a resolution to a real-world problem (e.g., 7.1.AL.IPERS.6).

## **STUDENT LEARNING TARGETS**

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### **Declarative Knowledge**

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Students will understand:

- the differences between a play compared to that of a novel.
- themes must be specific enough that evidence of their existence can be found in the play while also being universal to the human condition and relatable to all readers in any day and time.
- about theme development as they pertain to the specific plays chosen for the unit.
- authors use a variety of techniques in developing characters.
- playwrights are faced with unique challenges when it comes to presenting a story as opposed to having it read.
- reading a play requires great effort on the part of the student because the story is not being presented as the author intended.
- often a reader must decipher subtext from the content clues. This is especially the case when limited stage directions are offered.
- the importance of acceptance and celebrating differences.

### **Procedural Knowledge**

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Students will be able to:

- assess direct and indirect characterization to analyze the actions and motivations of the characters in the play.
- analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text and advance the plot or develop the theme.
- write various critiques of a character's actions and use analytical skills (such as predicting) to offer other alternatives to the problem.
- identify, analyze and apply the different literary devices that are used in drama.
- create an alternate ending to the play by devising an alternate plan.
- develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new

approach

- compare and contrast different visual interpretations of drama through film.
- make real world and personal connections to the themes of a play.

## **EVIDENCE OF LEARNING**

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### **Alternate Assessments**

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- Original Play Creations
- Modernized Interpretations of Classic Plays
- Teacher/Student Conferences
- Multimedia Presentations

### **Summative Assessments**

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Tests

Projects

Quizzes

Open Ended Question

Essay

### **Formative Assessments**

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Graphic organizers

- KWL Chart
- Cause and Effect
- Compare and Contrast
- 2-column notes
- Top Down Web

Class discussion

Reading quizzes

Reflective writing entries

Notes

Homework

Class discussion

Group work

## **Benchmark Assessments**

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- iXL
- Edulastic

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

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Romeo and Juliet-William Shakespeare-Core Text

West Side Story-Core Text

Antigone-Sophocles

Adventures in Literature

Monster-Walter Dean Myers

Literary and scholarly articles

Web sources

Video

Please visit UBD form for more information.

## **INTERDISCIPLINARY CONNECTIONS**

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## Social Studies:

- Students will analyze current events articles to find common social issues between the world today and the dramas presented in the unit.

## Technology / Multimedia

- Video case studies
- Audio / visual media analysis
- Researching biased writing
- Google
- Media Literacy
- Educational tech applications

## **ACCOMMODATIONS & MODIFICATIONS FOR SUBGROUPS**

See link to Accommodations & Modifications document in course folder.