

## 8th Grade Language Arts

Subject	August (2 days)	September (21 days)	October (18 days)	November (19 days)	December (13 days)	January (20 days)	February (18 days)	March (17 days)	April (20 days)	May (21 days)	June (3 days)
<b>Literature</b>	Novel: <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>	Novel: <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>	Novel: <i>The Good Earth</i>	Speech: "I Have a Dream"  Autobiography: <i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i>	Speech: "Letter from Birmingham Jail"  Autobiography: <i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i>	Poetry: Brooks & Sonnets  Drama: <i>Twelfth Night</i>	Poetry: Wordsworth, Dickinson, Shelley, Browning, Yeats, Hopkins, Thomas, Sandburg, Robinson, Hughes, Frost & Cummings  Drama: <i>Twelfth Night</i>	Short Story: "God Sees the Truth But Waits"  Short Story: "An Honest Thief"	Short Story: "The Bet"  Short Story: "Dr Heidegger's Experiment"  Short Story: "The Open Boat"  Speech: "Inaugural Address"	Novel: <i>Animal Farm</i>  Essay: "Death of a Pig"  Essay: "The Marginal World"	Novel: <i>Animal Farm</i>  Essay: "Death of a Pig"  Essay: "The Marginal World"
<b>Writing &amp; Grammar</b>	Grammar Launch ( <i>Core Knowledge Sequence, 2010, p. 199</i> )	Grammar Launch ( <i>Core Knowledge Sequence, 2010, p. 199</i> )	MLA format Expository Essay	Summary & Analysis of Fiction	Rhetorical Analysis	Imitation & Analysis of Poetry	Translation & Analysis	Summary & Analysis of Fiction	Summary & Analysis of Fiction	Summary & Analysis of Fiction	Summary & Analysis of Fiction
<b>Foreign Phrases</b>	Review	au revoir, avant garde, bete noire, c'est la vie	carte blanche, cause celebre, coup de grace, coup d'etat	déjà vu, enfant, terrible, fait, accompli, faux pas	Madame, Mademoiselle, Monsieur, merci, piece de resistance	raison d'etre, savoir-faire, tete-a-tete	Cumulative Review	Cumulative Review	Cumulative Review	Cumulative Review	Cumulative Review
<b>Spelling &amp; Vocabulary</b>	Review	Spelling: absence, counterfeit, correspondence, guarantee & permanence  Vocabulary: aequus [L], ago, acta [L], anthropos [G], ars [L], brevis [L] & canto [L]	Spelling: accommodate, courageous, hygiene & physician  Vocabulary: caput [L], clino [L], cognito [L], copia [L], credo [L], culpa [L] & dominus [L]	Spelling: anaylsis, curiosity, foreign, independence & prairie  Vocabulary: duco [L], fido [L], fundo, fusman [L], genus [L], holos [G] & jungo [L]	Spelling: attendance, defendant, laboratory & sergeant  Vocabulary: lego, lectum [L], locus [L], loquor [L], medius [L], missio [L], morior [L] & nego [L]	Spelling: believe, dessert, library, occurrence & souvenir  Vocabulary: nihil [L], occido [L], pathos [G], pendo [L], per [L], phobos [G], plenus [L] & positum [L]	Spelling: bureau, desperate, lightenin & straight  Vocabulary: porto [L], possum [L], pugno [L], punctum [L], rego [L], sanguis [L] & satis [L]	Spelling: capitol, dissaatisfied, maintenance & technique  Vocabulary: scio [L], solus [L], sonus [L], sophos [G], spiritus [L] & totus [L]	Spelling: colonel, extraordinary, whether, mileage & temporary  Vocabulary: tractum [L], usas [L], vacuus [L], verbum [L], verto [L] & via [L]	Spelling: committee, fasinating, necessary & vaccum  Cumulative Review Vocabulary	Cumulative Review
<b>Speaking &amp; Listening</b>	Throughout the entire year, classroom participation, oral reading, text citation, listening & following directions.	Speak, question & participate in group discussions.	Oral reading from text. Annotation of text.	Speak, question & participate in group discussion.	Speak, question & participate in group discussion.	Recite & memorize poetry.	Oral reading from text.  Performance of scenes from <i>Twelfth Night</i> .	Oral reading from text.  Speak, question & participate in group discussion.	Oral reading from text.  Speak, question & participate in group discussion.	Oral reading from text.  Speak, question & participate in group discussion.	Oral reading from text.  Speak, question & participate in group discussion.

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