

Tenth Grade Literature A Pacing Guide

Houston Virtual

Units should not be made available until the beginning of the indicated time frame.

Unit 1 – Coming of Age (Weeks 1-8)

Lessons and Assessments:

- Course Overview
- "Through the Tunnel": Cultural Traditions and Prereading
- "Through the Tunnel": Setting, Point of View, Conflict
- "Through the Tunnel": Denotative and Connotative Meaning
- Quiz 1
- "The Carp": Ancient and Modern Chinese Poetry
- "Sixteen": Elements of a Short Story
- "A Decade": Culture and Theme
- Project: Compare and Contrast Literary Analysis -- "Sixteen" and "Through the Tunnel"
- Quiz 2
- Using Clauses and Phrases
- A Midsummer Night's Dream, Act I: Literary Devices
- A Midsummer Night's Dream, Act I: Word Relationships and Irony
- "A Wedding Gift": Inferencing Character and Theme
- The Story of My Experiments with Truth: Literary Nonfiction
- Quiz 3
- The Story of My Experiments with Truth: Word Parts and Connotation
- "There Was a Child Went Forth": Form and Structure
- Rhetoric and Tone in Speeches
- Quiz 4
- Test

Unit 2 – The Struggle against Injustice (Weeks 9-18)

Lessons and Assessments:

- Animal Farm: Web Search and Context (Full Text in Reading Materials Unit)
- Animal Farm: Implicit and Explicit Characterization
- Animal Farm: Structure and Sequence
- Animal Farm: Nuances of Word Meaning
- Quiz 1
- Animal Farm: Theme and Character
- Animal Farm: Cultural Significance
- Animal Farm: Synonyms and Analogies
- Animal Farm: Allegory
- Quiz 2
- Animal Farm: Tone and Metaphor
- Project: Literary Essay - Themes in Animal Farm
- "Once Upon a Time": Inference and Analysis
- Language, History, Culture of South Africa
- "Serve the People": Mao, China, and Media
- "Garden of My Childhood": Personification and Theme
- Quiz 3
- "Granny and the Golden Bridge": Character and Anecdote
- "'Agua Viva,' A Sculpture by Alfred Gonzalez": Implying
- "They Shot Wook Kim": Shape Poetry
- "One, Two, Three": History, Language, and Theme
- Night: Historical Context in Literary Nonfiction
- Project: Explanatory Essay with Textual Evidence
- "Letter from a Birmingham Jail": Rhetoric and Allusion
- Quiz 4
- The Apology: Socrates' Rhetoric
- The Apology: Greek and Latin Root Words
- One Thousand and One Nights: History and Culture in Classic Text
- One Thousand and One Nights: Context and Etymology
- Writing: Clauses, Semicolons, Parallel Structure
- Project: Research Presentation - Historical Context
- Project: Write a Narrative about Injustice
- Quiz 5
- Test