# Englewood Public School District English Language Arts Grade 12 – College Prep First Marking Period

**Unit 1: Traits of Leadership** 

**Overview:** In this unit, students will examine the traits of leadership, specifically how individuals become leaders and how leader maintain power. Students will explore these concepts through contemporary novels and nonfiction memoirs.

**Time Frame:** 35-45 Days

# **Enduring Understandings:**

Those who write history do so from their own perspective.

"Civilization" and "Truth" are relative terms.

## **Essential Questions:**

Is it "right" for one group to impose its belief system on another? Does history make a leader or do leaders make history?

Standards	Topics and Objectives	Activities	Resources	Assessments
SL.11-12.1. Initiate and	Topics	Students will read <i>The</i>	Texts:	Formative Assessments:
participate effectively in a	Character Viewpoints	Curious Incident of the	The Curious Incident of the	<ul> <li>Do Nows</li> </ul>
range of collaborative		Dog in the Night-time, Ch.	Dog in the Night-time, Ch.	<ul> <li>Journals</li> </ul>
discussions (one-on- one, in	Theme: The Struggle for	2-97 and work in groups	2-97, by Mark Haddon	<ul> <li>Exit Tickets</li> </ul>
groups, and teacher-led)	Independence	to create a character		
with peers on grades 11–12		profile of Christopher.	"A Powerful Identity, A	<b>Summative Assessment:</b>
topics, texts, and issues,	Twenty-First Century	(CRP4, CRP6, CRP8)	Vanishing Diagnosis" by	Students will be
building on others' ideas	Themes and Skills include:	• <a href="http://freeology.com/w">http://freeology.com/w</a>	Claudia Wallis	evaluated on the quality
and expressing their own	• The Four C's	<u>p-</u>	http://www.nytimes.com/20	of their analytical essays.
clearly and persuasively.	<ul> <li>Global Awareness</li> </ul>	content/files/analyzing	09/11/03/health/03asperger.	·
		characters.pdf	<u>html?_r=5</u>	<b>Benchmark Assessment:</b>
RI.11-12.1. Accurately cite	Objectives			Common Formative
strong and thorough textual	Students will understand	Students will read "A	Companion Texts:	Assessment
evidence, (e.g., via	how a character's point of	Powerful Identity, A	Scholastic Magazine	
discussion, written response,	view determines what is	Vanishing Diagnosis" and	" A	<u>Alternative</u>
etc.), to support analysis of		identify the common traits	"Asperger's Syndrome"	Assessments:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Personal is political" – meaning that if one person tells his/her story and joins with others with similar stories, then their collective voice has weight and meaning.

what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RL.11-12.2. Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.

RL.11-12.6. Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).

W.11-12.1. Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

SL.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

emphasized and what is left out in a narration.

Students will hone their abilities to analyze theme and write arguments.

associated with Asperger's Syndrome. (CRP4, CRP8)

Students will write an analytical essay on the theme of "the struggle for independence" as it relates to *The Curious Incident* (9.3.12.ED.2, 8.1.12.A.2, CRP4, CRP8, CRP11)

https://newsela.com/read/lib -aspergers-syndromebasics-autism Students will present their character profiles to the class.

Students will engage in small group discussion about Christopher in light of what they learned about Asperger's Syndrome. They will then evaluate the viewpoint to identify how these traits shape the narrative.

Students will peer review their essays using a PARCC rubric.

# **Topics**

Genre Study: Mystery Novels

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Global Awareness

Students will read *The Hound of the Baskervilles* and respond to Guided Reading Questions. (CRP4, CRP8)

Students will discuss the genre conventions of

#### **Texts:**

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time, Ch. 101-end, by Mark Haddon

The Hound of the Baskervilles by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

#### **Formative Assessments:**

- Do Nows
- Journals
- Exit Tickets

#### **Summative Assessment:**

Students will be

and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

RL.11-12.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

SL.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.

RL.11-12.7. Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (e.g., Shakespeare and other authors.)

RI.11-12.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough textual

## **Objectives**

Students will understand the conventions of the mystery genre.

Students will be able evaluate a work based on genre conventions.

mystery, using *The Hound* of the Baskervilles as a case study. Then students will use what they've learned to examine *The Curious Incident*. The class will discuss how this novel fits into the mystery genre and where it departs from genre conventions. (9.3.12.ED.2, 8.1.12.A.2, CRP4, CRP8, CRP11)

# <u>Companion Texts:</u> Scholastic Magazine

"Mark Haddon"
<a href="https://literature.britishcouncil.org/writer/mark-haddon">https://literature.britishcouncil.org/writer/mark-haddon</a>

"Arthur Conan Doyle" https://www.biography.com/people/arthur-conan-doyle-9278600 evaluated based upon their responses to the Guided Reading Questions.

# Alternative Assessments:

Students will create and share a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the two texts.

Students will write and present a literary response journal about one of the two texts.

# **Topics**

Leadership in the Face of Adversity

The Dramatization of True Events

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy
- Global Awareness

## **Objectives**

Students will understand how effective leadership overcomes adversity.

Students will be able to evaluate the effectiveness of a dramatization of true events. Students will research of the Rwanda genocide of 1994 and develop a short multimedia presentation on an aspect of the conflict. (6.2.12.A.5.d, 9.3.12.ED.2, 8.1.12.A.2, CRP4, CRP7, CRP11)

• <a href="https://www.history.co">https://www.history.co</a>
<a href="mailto:m/topics/africa/rwanda">m/topics/africa/rwanda</a>
<a href="mailto:n-genocide">n-genocide</a>

Students will read *An Ordinary Man* and
respond to text-dependent
questions. (6.2.12.A.5.d,
CRP4, CRP8)

After reading *An Ordinary Man*, students will participate in a Socratic Seminar on the question:

#### **Texts:**

An Ordinary Man by Paul Rusesabagina

#### Media:

Hotel Rwanda (2004)

# **Companion Texts:**

Scholastic Magazine

Excerpts from We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will Be Killed with Our Families

"Why Didn't the US
Intervene in the Rwandan
Genocide?"
<a href="https://newsela.com/read/lib-rwanda-genocide-us">https://newsela.com/read/lib-rwanda-genocide-us</a>

#### **Formative Assessments:**

- Do Nows
- Journals
- Exit Tickets

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their presentations.

Students will be evaluated on their participation in the Socratic Seminar.

## **Summative Assessment:**

Students will be evaluated based upon their responses to the text-dependent questions.

evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RI.11-12.6. Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text.

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.

SL.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

"What makes Paul Rusesabagina a good leader?" (6.2.12.A.5.d, CRP4, CRP8)

Students will watch *Hotel Rwanda* and evaluate how the film dramatizes *An Ordinary Man*. (6.2.12.A.5.d, CRP4, CRP8)

# Alternative Assessments:

Students will present their multimedia presentations to the class.

Students will engage in a Think-Pair-Share about the values and traits of a good leader.

Students will engage in small group discussion to discuss how the film interprets events and the affect dramatization has on a true story.

# **Topics**

Dystopian Fiction

Propaganda

How does a ruler maintain power over a society?

Students will keep reading logs for each chapter of *The Hunger Games* focusing on theme, character, and setting development. (CRP4, CRP8)

## **Texts:**

The Hunger Games, Ch. 1-14, by Suzanne Collins

"Dystopian Fiction: From H. G. Wells to Suzanne Collins" by Lisa Koski <a href="https://letterpile.com/books/">https://letterpile.com/books/</a>
<a href="Dystopian-Fiction-From-">Dystopian-Fiction-From-</a>

#### **Formative Assessments:**

- Do Nows
- Journals
- Exit Tickets

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their reading logs.

and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

RL.11-12.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RL.11-12.2. Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.

W.11-12.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy
- Global Awareness

## **Objectives**

Students will be familiar the concept of dystopia and its depiction in literature.

Students will understand how propaganda is used to influence public opinion. <a href="https://www.wordlayouts.com/reading-log-template/">https://www.wordlayouts.com/reading-log-template/</a>

Students will read "Dystopian Fiction" to gain an understanding of the subject and take notes. (CRP4, CRP8)

 https://freeology.com/ graphicorgs/notetaking-organizer/

Propaganda: Students will research the use of propaganda, drawing on historical perspectives. Then, they will create their own propaganda posters based on *The Hunger Games*. (6.2.12.A.5.d, CRP4, CRP8, CRP6)

Students will participate in a Socratic Seminar on the question: "What allows a despotic government to retain power?" (CRP4, CRP8)

## <u>Ayn-Rand-to-Suzanne-</u> Collins

# **Companion Texts:**

Scholastic Magazine

"How Propaganda Works"
<a href="https://newsela.com/read/lib-overview-propaganda-wwi-wwii">https://newsela.com/read/lib-overview-propaganda-wwi-wwii</a>

"Text Set: *The Hunger Games*"

<a href="https://newsela.com/text-sets/7682">https://newsela.com/text-sets/7682</a>

# **Summative Assessments:**

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their propaganda posters.

Students will be evaluated on their performance in the Socratic Seminar.

# Alternative Assessments:

Students will engage in small group discussion on the question: "How is Panem a dystopian society?"

Students will present their propaganda poster to the class.

Students will watch sections of the film, *The Hunger Games*, and engage in small group discussion about how the film helps their

RL.11-12.1. Cite strong and

inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

thorough textual evidence

and make relevant

connections to support

analysis of what the text

says explicitly as well as

RL.11-12.3. Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

W.11-12.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

#### **Topics**

How do individuals respond to conflict?

Reality TV

Twenty-First Century Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy
- Global Awareness

#### **Objectives**

Students will understand what traits leaders possess.

Students will explore Reality TV as depicted in literature.

Students will keep reading logs for each chapter of The Hunger Games focusing on theme, character, and setting development. (CRP4, CRP8)

https://www.wordlayo uts.com/reading-logtemplate/

Students will complete a character sketch of Katniss Everdeen to examine how people respond to conflict and develop traits for leadership. (CRP4, CRP8)

http://freeology.com/w content/files/analyzing characters.pdf

Students will read "Why America Loves Reality T.V." and compare the ideas expressed in the articles to events in *The* Hunger Games. (CRP4, CRP8)

#### **Texts:**

The Hunger Games, Ch.14-27, by Suzanne Collins

"Why America Loves Reality T.V." by Steven Reiss https://www.psychologytod ay.com/articles/200109/wh y-america-loves-reality-tv

#### **Companion Texts:**

Scholastic Magazine

"Text Set: *The Hunger* Games" https://newsela.com/textsets/7682

understanding of the text.

#### **Formative Assessments:**

- Do Nows
- Journals
- Exit Tickets

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their reading logs.

#### **Summative Assessment:**

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their character sketches

# **Alternative Assessments:**

Students will watch sections of the film. *The* Hunger Games, and engage in small group discussion about how the film helps their understanding of the text.

Students will share their character sketches with the class.

Students will debate: Is Katniss and Peeta's relationship made up or authentic?

SL.11-12.6. Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English.

RI.11-12.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RI.11-12.2. Determine two or more central ideas of a text, and analyze their development and how they interact to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

W.11-12.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

W.11-12.7. Conduct short as well as more sustained

#### **Topics**

How Do Individuals Cope with Suffering?

Memoir

Informative/Explanatory Writing

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy
- Global Awareness

# **Objectives**

Students will examine how individuals cope with suffering under severe circumstances and overcome it

Students will gain an appreciation for the memoir genre.

Students will read Part 1 of *Man's Search for Meaning* and take notes. **(CRP4, CRP8)** 

• <a href="https://freeology.com/graphicorgs/note-taking-organizer/">https://freeology.com/graphicorgs/note-taking-organizer/</a>

Students will research the conventions of memoir and write an informative/explanatory essay on the memoir's function in understanding suffering. (CRP4, CRP7, CRP8, CRP11, 8.1.12.A.2, 9.3.12.ED.2)

#### **Texts:**

Man's Search for Meaning, Part 1, by Viktor E. Frankl

# **Companion Texts:**

Scholastic Magazine

"Memoir Writing and Memoir Examples" http://www.writersdigest.co m/writing-articles/bywriting-genre/memoir-bywriting-genre

#### **Formative Assessments:**

- Do Nows
- Journals
- Exit Tickets

#### **Summative Assessment:**

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their informative/explanatory essays.

# Alternative Assessments:

Students will engage in small group discussion about whether or not A person has the freedom to choose his/her attitude towards his/her suffering.

Students will self-edit their essays using a PARCC rubric.

Students will engage in group research about memoirs.

research projects to answer a question (including a selfgenerated 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.

W.11-12.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, wellchosen details, and wellstructured event sequences.

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.

**Topics** PARCC NWTs

#### **Objectives**

Students will gain a better understanding of EBSRs and TECRs.

Students will hone their understanding of PARCC's PCR Prompts.

Students will practice completing NWTs.

Instructors will select the reading and writing NWT lessons that best meets their students' needs.

Reading PARCC
Narrative Lessons:

Lesson 1: Introducing the EBSR and TECR

Lesson 2: Narrative Story Reading Strategies

Lesson 3: Evaluating Evidence

Lesson 4: Practice Completing the Narrative Task

# **Writing PARCC Narrative Lessons:**

Lesson 1: Introduction to the Prose Constructed Response on the Narrative Task

Lesson 2: Writing from a Point of View

Students complete a unit NWT.

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.

Lesson 3: Practice Completing the Prose Constructed Response

Lesson 4: From Proficiency to Advanced-Proficiency

#### **Accommodations and Modifications:**

Students with special needs: Support staff will be available to aid students related to IEP specifications. 504 accommodations will also be attended to by all instructional leaders. Physical expectations and modifications, alternative assessments, and scaffolding strategies will be used to support this learning. The use of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) will be considered for all students as teaching strategies are considered. Additional safety precautions will be made along with additional staff so all student can fully participate in the standards associated with this Dance curriculum.

*ELL/ESL students:* Students will be supported according to the recommendations for "can do's" as outlined by WIDA - <a href="https://www.wida.us/standards/CAN\_DOs/">https://www.wida.us/standards/CAN\_DOs/</a>

This particular unit has limited language barriers due to the physical nature of the curriculum.

Students at risk of school failure: Formative and summative data will be used to monitor student success at first signs of failure student work will be reviewed to determine support this may include parent consultation, basic skills review and differentiation strategies. With considerations to UDL, time may be a factor in overcoming developmental considerations. More time and will be made available with a certified instructor to aid students in reaching the standards.

Gifted and Talented Students: Students excelling in mastery of standards will be challenged with complex, high level challenges related to the complexity of the reading and writing requirements. This will include allowing more opportunities to demonstrate creativity and allow for student choice.

Englis	sh Language Learners	Special Education	At-Risk	Gifted	l and Talented
•	Shorten assignments to focus on	<ul> <li>Utilize modifications &amp;</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Using visual</li></ul>	•	Curriculum compacting
	mastery of key concepts.	accommodations	demonstrations,	•	Inquiry-based

- Teacher modeling
- Peer modeling
- Develop and post routines
- Label classroom materials
- Word walls
- Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.
- Provide audiotapes of textbooks and have the student follow the text while listening
- Allow students to use a dual language dictionary

delineated in the student's IEP

- Work with paraprofessional
- Use multi-sensory teaching approaches that provide helpful visual, auditory, and tactile reinforcement of ideas.
- Work with a partner
- Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.
- Provide extra time to complete assignments.
- Adjust the pace of lessons

illustrations, and models

- directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.
- Peer Support
- Increase one on one time
- Teachers may modify instructions by modeling what the student is expected to do
- Instructions may be printed out in large print and hung up for the student to see during the time of the lesson.
- Review behavior expectations and adjust for personal space or other behaviors as needed.
- Oral prompts can be given

- instruction
- Independent study
- Higher order thinking skills
- Adjusting the pace of lessons
- Interest based content
- Real world scenarios
- Student Driven Instruction

# **Integration of 21st Century Standards NJSLS 9:**

9.3.12. ED.2 Demonstrate effective oral, written and multimedia communication in multiple formats and contexts.

# **Interdisciplinary Connections:**

## **Social Studies:**

6.2.12.A.5.d Analyze the causes and consequences of mass killings (e.g., Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Somalia, Sudan), and evaluate the responsibilities of the world community in response to such events

## **Integration of Technology Standards NJSLS 8:**

8.1.12.A.2 Produce and edit a multi-page digital document for a commercial or professional audience and present it to peers and/or professionals in that related area for review.

# **Career Ready Practices:**

CRP4. Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.

CRP6. Demonstrate creativity and innovation.

CRP7. Employ valid and reliable research strategies.

CRP8. Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them

CRP11. Use technology to enhance productivity.

