The following CCSSs are embedded throughout the trimester, present in all units applicable:

RL.11-12.10 By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

RL.11-12.10 By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

Trimester B					
Unit	CCSS	Learning Targets	Resources	Assessments	
The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien Focus Question: Was the U.S. justified in its participation in the Vietnam Conflict? What effect does combat have on soldiers who return from war?	RL 11-12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves things uncertain.	RL 11-12.1 I can define textual evidence I can define inference and explain how to use evidence from the text to reach a logical conclusion I can read closely and find answers explicitly in text and answers that require an inference I can analyze an author's words and find pieces of textual evidence to support explicit and inferential questions I can determine places in the text that leave matters uncertain	Resources The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien Selected non-fiction essays	Formative: Reading Quiz Class Discussion Journal Plot Map CLOZE Reading Reader's Log Glogster.com Poster Dialectical Journal Study Questions Character Map Vocabulary Summative: Unit Test	
To what extent is factual accuracy important in the art of story-telling?	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 11-12.2 I can define theme I can analyze plot to determine two or more themes I can determine how multiple themes work together to produce a complex piece of literature I can define summary I can compose an objective summary stating the key points of the text			
	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).	RL 11-12.3 I can identify elements of a story or drama I can analyze how elements of a story or drama are developed and/or interrelated I can analyze the impact of an author's choices in presenting elements of a story or drama			

RL. 11-12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful

RL.11-12.4

I can define and identify

various forms of figurative language *I can* distinguish between literal and figurative language I can recognize the difference between denotative meanings and connotative meanings *I can* analyze how an author's choice of specific words evokes a particular meaning or tone in a text and how using language in a new way creates an engaging overall effect *I can* analyze how specific word choices build on one another to create a cumulative impact on the overall meaning and tone of a

RL 11-12.5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g. the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.

RL 11-12.5

text

I can determine how an author chose to structure specific parts of a text I can analyze specific parts of text and explain how the individual parts fit into the overall structure I can analyze how an author's choice of structuring specific parts of a text affects the overall meaning I can analyze how an author's choice of structuring specific parts of a text creates an aesthetic impact

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

RL.11-12.6

I can identify an author's point of view in a text
I can determine when an author is requiring the reader to make an inference as to what is really meant
I can recognize when authors use literary techniques to shape the content and style of a text

RI.11-12.1 Cite strong and textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves things uncertain

RI.11-12.1

I can define textual evidence I can define inference and explain how to use evidence from the text to reach a logical conclusion
I can read closely and find answers explicitly in text and answers that require an inference

I can analyze an author's words and find pieces of textual evidence to support explicit and inferential questions *I can* determine places in the text that leave matters uncertain RI.11-12.2 Determine two or more central ideas of a text and RI.11-12.2 analyze their development over I can define central idea the course of the text, including *I can* determine two or more how they interact and build on central ideas of a text *I can* determine how two or one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an more central ideas of a text objective summary of the text interact and build on one another to develop a text with complex meaning *I can* analyze how central ideas develop over the course of a text *I can* compose an objective summary stating the key points of a text RI.11-12.3 Analyze a complex RI.11-12.3 set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific *I can* determine a complex individuals, ideas, or events set of ideas or sequence of interact and develop over the events conveyed in a text I can analyze how specific course of the text individuals, ideas, and/or events interact and develop within a complex set of ideas or sequence of events RI.11-12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases RI.11-12.4 as they are used in a text, *I can* define and identify including figurative, various forms of figurative connotative, and technical language meanings; analyze how an *I can* distinguish between author uses and refines the literal and figurative meaning of a key term or terms language over the course of a text I can recognize the difference between denotative meanings and connotative meanings *I can* recognize words that have technical meaning and understand their purpose in a specific text *I can* analyze how a key term or terms are used and refined

RI.11-12.5 Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, or engaging.

RI.11-12.5

I can determine how an author chose to structure his/her exposition or argument
I can analyze the structure of an author's exposition or argument and evaluate whether the structure is

over the course of a text

Unit	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. CCSS	effective. I can determine if an author's structure is effective in making his/her points clear, convincing, and engaging I can evaluate how an author's choice of structure impacts his/her audience RI.11-12.6 I can define point of view as how the author feels about the situation/topic of a text I can determine an author's point of view and explain his/her purpose for writing the text I can identify when an author uses rhetoric and analyze how the rhetoric strengthens his/her point of view or purpose I can analyze how the author's style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text I earning Targets	Resources	Assessment
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Expository Essay	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. a. Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. b. Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. c. Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. d. Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic. e. Establish and maintain a	W 11-12.2 I can choose a topic and identify and select the most significant and relevant information to develop and share with my audience I can define common organizational/formatting structures and determine the structure(s) that will allow me to organize my complex ideas so that each new element builds on what precedes it I can analyze the information, identify domain-specific vocabulary for my topic, incorporate techniques such as a metaphor, simile, and analogy, and organize information into broader categories using my chose structure(s) I can present my information maintaining an objective tone and formal style that includes an introduction that previews what is to follow, supporting details, varied transitions and syntax, and a concluding statement/section that supports the information presented	A Writer's Reference (Diana Hacker) 50 Essays: A Portable Anthology 3 rd Ed. (Cohen)	Pre-Writing Exercises Rough Draft Peer Revision Editing/ Proof-reading Final Draft

formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.

f. Provide a concluding statement or section that

I. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

W 11-12.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Gradespecific 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, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1–3 up to and including grades 11–12 on page 54.)

W 11-12.6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.

W 11-12.4

I can identify the writing style that best fits my task, purpose, and audience I can use organizational/ formatting structures (graphic organizers) to develop my writing ideas I can compose a clear and logical piece of writing that demonstrates my understanding of a specific

W 11-12.5

writing style

I can edit my writing by checking for errors in capitalization, punctuation, grammar, spelling, etc.
I can analyze my writing to determine if my purpose and audience have been fully addressed and revise when necessary

I can prepare multiple drafts using revisions and edits to develop and strengthen my writing

I can recognize when revising, editing, and rewriting are not enough, and I need to try a new approach

W 11-12.6

I can identify technology that will help me produce, publish, and update my individual or shared writing products

I can determine the most efficient technology medium to complete my writing task I can respond to ongoing feedback and/or new arguments for information to produce, publish, and update my writing projects

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Unit	CCSS	Learning Targets	Resources	Assessment
The Jungle by Upton Sinclair Focus Question: How did Sinclair's writing affect public policy? How far should a journalist be allowed to go in pursuit of a story? How can bias be detected in a work of fiction?	RL 11-12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves things uncertain.	RL 11-12.1 I can define textual evidence I can define inference and explain how to use evidence from the text to reach a logical conclusion I can read closely and find answers explicitly in text and answers that require an inference I can analyze an author's words and find pieces of textual evidence to support explicit and inferential questions I can determine places in the text that leave matters uncertain	The Jungle by Upton Sinclair 50 Essays: A Portable Anthology 3 rd Ed. (Cohen) Selected non-fiction essays	Formative: Reading Quiz Class Discussion Journal Plot Map Group Ch. Mural Study Questions Literature Circle CLOZE Reading Reader's Log Character Map Six-Word Memoir Vocabulary Summative: Unit Test
	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 11-12.2 I can define theme I can analyze plot to determine two or more themes I can determine how multiple themes work together to produce a complex piece of literature I can define summary I can compose an objective summary stating the key points of the text		
	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).	RL 11-12.3 I can identify elements of a story or drama I can analyze how elements of a story or drama are developed and/or interrelated I can analyze the impact of an author's choices in presenting elements of a story or drama		
	RL. 11-12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful	RL.11-12.4 I can define and identify various forms of figurative language I can distinguish between literal and figurative language I can recognize the difference between denotative meanings and connotative meanings I can analyze how an author's choice of specific words evokes a particular meaning or tone in a text and how using language in a new way creates an engaging overall effect		

I can analyze how specific word choices build on one another to create a cumulative impact on the overall meaning and tone of a text RL 11-12.5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning RL 11-12.5 *I can* determine how an how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g. the choice of author chose to structure where to begin or end a story, specific parts of a text the choice to provide a comedic *I can* analyze specific parts or tragic resolution) contribute of text and explain how the to its overall structure and individual parts fit into the meaning as well as its aesthetic overall structure impact. I can analyze how an author's choice of structuring specific parts of a text affects the overall meaning I can analyze how an author's choice of structuring specific parts of a text creates an aesthetic impact RL.11-12.6 Analyze a case in which grasping point of view RL.11-12.6 requires distinguishing what is *I can* identify an author's directly stated in a text from point of view in a text what is really meant (e.g. satire, *I can* determine when an sarcasm, irony, understatement) author is requiring the reader to make an inference as to what is really meant *I can* recognize when authors use literary techniques to shape the content and style of a text RI.11-12.1 Cite strong and RI.11-12.1 textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says *I can* define textual evidence explicitly as well as inferences *I can* define inference and drawn from the text, including explain how to use evidence determining where the text from the text to reach a leaves things uncertain logical conclusion *I can* read closely and find answers explicitly in text and answers that require an inference *I can* analyze an author's words and find pieces of textual evidence to support explicit and inferential questions *I can* determine places in the text that leave matters uncertain RI.11-12.2 Determine two or RI.11-12.2 more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over I can define central idea the course of the text, including *I can* determine two or more how they interact and build on central ideas of a text

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more central ideas of a text interact and build on one another to develop a text with complex meaning *I can* analyze how central ideas develop over the course of a text *I can* compose an objective summary stating the key points of a text

RI.11-12.3 Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text

RI.11-12.3

I can determine a complex set of ideas or sequence of events conveyed in a text I can analyze how specific individuals, ideas, and/or events interact and develop within a complex set of ideas or sequence of events

RI.11-12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text

RI.11-12.4

I can define and identify various forms of figurative language *I can* distinguish between literal and figurative language I can recognize the difference between denotative meanings and connotative meanings *I can* recognize words that have technical meaning and understand their purpose in a specific text *I can* analyze how a key term or terms are used and refined

over the course of a text

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RI.11-12.5

I can determine how an author chose to structure his/her exposition or argument *I can* analyze the structure of an author's exposition or argument and evaluate whether the structure is effective. *I can* determine if an author's structure is effective in making his/her points clear, convincing, and engaging *I can* evaluate how an author's choice of structure impacts his/her audience

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.

RI.11-12.6

I can define point of view as how the author feels about the situation/topic of a text *I can* determine an author's point of view and explain

		his/her purpose for writing the text <i>I can</i> define rhetoric <i>I can</i> identify when an author uses rhetoric and analyze how the rhetoric strengthens his/her point of view or purpose <i>I can</i> analyze how the author's style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text		
Unit	CCSS	Learning Target	Resources	Assessment
Argumentative Research Paper MLA	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. a. Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. b. Develop claim(s) and counter claims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases. c. Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims. d. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are	W 11-12.1 I can analyze influential topics or texts to determine an argument that causes or has caused debate in society I can choose a side of the argument, indentify precise, knowledgeable claims, and establish the significance of the claims I can identify alternate or opposing claims that counter my argument I can organize claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence into a logical sequence I can anticipate my audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases and develop my claims and counterclaims by pointing out the most relevant strengths and limitations of both I can present my argument in a formal style and objective tone I can create cohesion and clarify relationships among claims and counterclaims using transitions as well as varied syntax I can provide a concluding statement/section that supports my argument	A Writer's Reference (Diana Hacker) Online Writing Lab Purdue University https://owl.english.purdue.edu/ Knight Cite Calvin College http://www.calvin.edu/library/ knightcite/	Pre-Writing Exercises Rough Draft Peer Revision Editing/Proofreading Final Draft Preliminary Outline Tentative Thesis Formal Proposal Formal Outline Working Bibliography MLA Worksheet
	writing. e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented. 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 11-12.4 I can identify the writing style that best fits my task, purpose, and audience I can use organizational/formatting structures (graphic organizers) to develop my		

writing ideas *I can* compose a clear and logical piece of writing that demonstrates my understanding of a specific writing style W 11-12.5 Develop and W 11-12.5 strengthen writing as needed by *I can* edit my writing by planning, revising, editing, checking for errors in rewriting, or trying a new capitalization, punctuation, approach, focusing on grammar, spelling, etc. addressing what is most *I can* analyze my writing to significant for a specific determine if my purpose and purpose and audience. (Editing audience have been fully for conventions should addressed and revise when demonstrate command of necessary Language standards 1-3 up to *I can* prepare multiple drafts and including grades 11-12 on using revisions and edits to page 54.) develop and strengthen my writing I can recognize when revising, editing, and rewriting are not enough, and I need to try a new approach W 11-12.6 Use technology, W 11-12.6 *I can* identify technology that including the Internet, to will help me produce, produce, publish, and update publish, and update my individual or shared writing individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing products feedback, including new *I can* determine the most arguments or information. efficient technology medium to complete my writing task *I can* respond to ongoing feedback and/or new arguments for information to produce, publish, and update my writing projects W 11-12.7 W 11-12.7 Conduct short as *I can* define research and well as more sustained research distinguish how research projects to answer a question differs from other types of (including a self-generated writing question) or solve a problem; I can focus my research narrow or broaden the inquiry around a problem to be when appropriate; synthesize solved, a central question that multiple sources on the subject, is provided, or a selfdemonstrating understanding of generated question I have the subject under investigation. determined *I can* choose several sources and synthesize information to answer my research inquiry *I can* determine if I need to narrow or broaden my inquiry based on the information gathered I can create a research paper/project to demonstrate understanding of the subject under investigation

W 11-12.8 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and over-reliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.

W 11-12.8

I can determine the credibility of a source by reviewing who wrote it, when it was written, and why it was written

I can assess the strengths and limitations of my sources to determine those that are most appropriate for my task, purpose, and audience avoiding overreliance on any one source

I can use advanced searches with multiple authoritative print and/or digital sources effectively to gather information needed to support my research I can define plagiarism by paraphrasing and/or summarizing my research findings
I can determine when my

I can determine when my research data or facts must be quoted and integrate the information into my text to maintain the flow of ideas I can follow a standard format for citation to create a bibliography for sources that I paraphrased or quoted in my writing