Timeline	Curriculum Standards & Benchmarks-Essential Questions or Unit	Learning Targets	Vocabulary	Assessment
September /October	CCS Standards Reading: RL.11-12.2, RL.11-12.3, RL.11-12.4, RL.11-12.5 (http://www.corestandards.org/ELA -Literacy/RL/11-12/) CCS Standards Writing: W.11-12.2, W11-12.5, W11-12.9 (http://www.corestandards.org/ELA -Literacy/W/11-12/) CCS Standards Speaking and Listening: SL.11-12.1 (http://www.corestandards.org/ELA -Literacy/SL/11-12/) CCS Standards Language: L.11-12.1, L.11-12.2, L.11-12.4, L.11-12.5 (http://www.corestandards.org/ELA -Literacy/L/11-12/)	 Students will continue to develop skills that they have begun in grades 9-11 while reading <i>Hamlet</i> by William Shakespeare. Students will: Read closely for textual details Annotate texts to support comprehension and analysis Engage in productive evidence-based discussions about text Collect and organize evidence from tests to support analysis in writing Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis 	Catharsis Dramatic Irony Characterization Exposition Resolution Climax Context Motivation Monologue Soliloquy Tragedy Passage Evidence Reasoning Citation Argument Audience	Responses to text-dependent questions focused on character development, central idea development, and word choice through discussion and informal writing promptsStudents select textual evidence from one of Hamlet's first three soliloquies to craft a multi-paragraph response about how Shakespeare develops Hamlet's character in relation to other characters.In the End-of-Unit Assessment, students individually write a multi-paragraph response addressing the following prompt: Identify two central ideas from the play. How do these ideas interact and build on one another over the course of the play? In your response, identify and discuss at least one literary device that Shakespeare uses to develop or relate these central ideas.

	CCS Standards Reading: RL.11-12.1-	Students will continue to develop skills that	Cold War	Responses to text-dependent
	5, 7, 9, 10	they have begun in grades 9-11 while reading	Herd Behavior /	questions focused on character
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	The Crucible by Arthur Miller. Students will:	Herd Mentality	development, central idea
	-Literacy/RL/11-12/)		Hysteria	development, and word choice
		 Analyze the major themes of The 	Mob Mentality	through discussion and
	CCS Standards Reading: RI.11-12.1-2,	Crucible and explain the significance	McCarthyism	informal writing prompts
	4-10	of those themes in today's society.	Puritan /	
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	Analyze literary elements including	Puritanism	What are the advantages and
	-Literacy/RI/11-12/	characterization, conflict, setting,	Red Scare	disadvantages of conforming?
		diction, and structure and their effect	Scapegoat	After reading The Crucible by
	CCS Standards Writing: W.11-12.2, 4,	on overall meaning, tone, and theme.	Witch hunt	Arthur Miller and other texts,
	5, 7, 8, 9, 10	Consider the similarities and		write an essay that examines
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	differences between the Puritans of	Allusion	the causes of hysteria, mob
	-Literacy/W/11-12/	Salem village with contemporary	Antagonist	mentality, and scapegoating,
		Americans.	Characterization	and explains the effects of
	CCS Standards Speaking and	 Analyze and evaluate the 	Conflict	these phenomena on society as
	Listening: SL.11-12.1	effectiveness of the structure an	(internal/external)	a whole. What conclusions or
November/	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	author uses in his or her writing,	Figurative	implications can you draw?
December	-Literacy/SL/11-12/)	including whether the structure makes	Language (simile,	Support your discussion with
		points clear, convincing, and engaging.	metaphor,	evidence from the texts.
	CCS Standards Language: L.11-12.1-6	 Determine an author's point of view 	personification,	
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	or purpose in a text in which the	hyperbole)	
	-Literacy/L/11-12/)	rhetoric is particularly effective.	Imagery	
		 Analyze how style and content 	Irony (e.g.,	
		contribute to the power,	dramatic,	
		persuasiveness or beauty of the text.	situational, verbal) Oxymoron	
		Analyze seventeenth- and eighteenth-	Parallelism	
		century foundational U.S. documents	Point of view	
		of historical and literary significance	Protagonist	
		for their themes, purposes, and	Overture	
		rhetorical features.	Stage Directions	
		Write a coherent expository essay	Theme	
		with a clear thesis statement, at least	Tone	
		three pieces of evidence from texts,		
		and a strong introduction and		
		conclusion.		

	CCS Standards Reading: RL.11-12.1- 4, 6-7	Students will continue to develop skills that they have begun in grades 9-11 while reading	characterization setting	Responses to text-dependent questions focused on character
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald and Of	irony	development, central idea
	-Literacy/RL/11-12/)	Mice and Men by John Steinbeck. Students	allegory	development, and word choice
		will:	symbolism	through discussion and
	CCS Standards Reading: RI.11-12.5		foreshadowing	informal writing prompts
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	 Analyze the impact of the authors' 	plot	
	-Literacy/RI/11-12/)	choices regarding the development of	conflict	
		and relationship among story	theme	
	CCS Standards Writing: W.11-12.1	elements in the novel.	tone	
		 Make inferences about the 	mood	
	CCS Standards Speaking and	significance of where the story is set	allusion	
	Listening: SL.11-12.1	and its characters.	flashback	
	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	 Determine the significance of the 	simile	
	-Literacy/SL/11-12/	author's purpose and message.	metaphor	
January /		 Identify authors' use of figurative and 		
February	CCS Standards Language: L.11-12.1-6	connotative language and the impact		
1 condury	(http://www.corestandards.org/ELA	of specific word choices on meaning		
	-Literacy/L/11-12/)	and tone.		
		Initiate and participate effectively in		
		collaborative discussions.		
		• Explore and comment on the author's		
		choices of setting and characterization.		
		 Cite thoughts, words, and actions to 		
		• Cite thoughts, words, and actions to reveal character traits, the significance		
		of setting, and plot development.		
		 Analyze both plot and character 		
		development		
		 Explore the idea of the American 		
		Dream as it relates to the novels		
March /	CCS Standards College and Career	Students will continue to develop skills that	Setting	Students participate in reading
March /	Readiness: CCRA.R.9	they have begun in grades 9-11 while reading	Characterization	and discussion, write informally
April			Symbolism	in response to text based

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	Employability Skills	Students will develop skills necessary to	Interview	Senior Portfolio
	(Not common core standards)	complete their senior portfolios and prepare	Resume	
May		for senior interviews, which generally take place mid-May, the week before their final exams.	Goals Gap Analysis	Senior Interview