THE ART OF

English:

Stories, Poems, and Speeches

8th grade

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Unit Breakdown

The English 8 Course consists of seven units. Each unit is composed of lessons, each of which includes a presentation divided into sections that develop the subject matter that will be studied and also includes worksheets. Below is an itemization of the division of each unit in lessons, including the name of each lesson with its corresponding objectives.

Unit 1. The Short Story

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of a Short Story

Code: C251G08U01L01

Objectives:

- Recognize and identify a short story.
- Recognize and identify the elements of a short story.
- Recognize and identify the use of figurative language.

Subtitles

- o What is a Short Story?
- o Elements of a Short Story
- o Author's Purpose

Lesson 2. The Necklace

Code: C251G08U01L02

Objectives:

- Recall elements and events of a short story.
- Identify and apply the parts of plot using the story.
- Identify the themes and point of view of the story.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o The Necklace

      o After Reading

Lesson 3. The Tell-Tale Heart

Code: C251G08U01L03

Objectives:

- Recall elements and events of a short story.
- Identify and apply the parts of plot using the story.
- Identify point of view and tone.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o The Tell-Tale Heart
- o After Reading

Lesson 4. A Haunted House

Code: C251G08U01L04

Objectives:

- Recall elements and events of a short story.
- Identify and apply the parts of plot using the story.
- Identify point of view and theme.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o A Haunted House
- o After Reading

Lesson 5. A child's Dream of a Star

Code: C251G08U01L05

Objectives:

- Recall elements and events of a short story.
- Identify and apply the parts of plot using the story.
- Identify the themes and point of view of the story.

Subtitles

o Meet the Author
o Before Reading
o A Child's Dream of a Star
o After Reading

Unit 2. Nonfiction

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of Non-fiction

Code: C251G08U02L01

Objectives:

- Recognize and identify non-fiction text.
- Recognize and identify the elements, text structure, and features.
- Recognize and identify different types of non-fiction.
- Apply reading strategies for non-fiction.

Subtitles

- o What is Non-fiction?
- o Elements of Non-fiction
- o Types of Non-fiction

Lesson 2. Current Events

Code: C251G08U02L02

Objectives:

- Identify elements of a news article.
- Select a current event article.
- Summarize and interpret a news article.
- Prepare and present a current event article.

Subtitles

- o What are Current Events?
- o Elements of a News Article
- o Activity: Current Events

Lesson 3. Student Biography

Code: C251G08U02L03

Objectives:

- Define biography.

- Interview a peer.
- Differentiate between closed and open-ended questions.
- Formulate original open-ended questions.
- Write the biography of a peer based on the interview.
- Recall information to answer interview questions.

Subtitles

- What is a Biography?
- Interview Skills
- Activity: Peer Interview

Lesson 4. Personal Narrative

Code: C251G08U02L04

Objectives:

- Recall an important or interesting event.
- Write a personal narrative based on that event.
- Use the writing process.

Subtitles

- What is a Personal Narrative?
- How to Write a Personal Narrative
- Activity: Write a Personal Narrative

Lesson 5. Is it a fact or Opinion?

Code: C251G08U02L05

Objectives:

- Identify facts in non-fiction texts.
- Identify supporting details from non-fiction texts.
- Analyze evidence presented in the text.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o "Emoticons and Symbols Aren't Ruining Language – They're Revolutionizing It" article
- o After Reading

Unit 3. Poetry

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of Poetry

Code: C251G08U03L01

Objectives:

- Define Poetry.
- Identify and demonstrate use of the elements of poetry.
- Identify and demonstrate use of the types of figurative language.
- Categorize three types of poetry.
- Write a simple poem.

Subtitles

o What is Poetry?
o Elements of Poetry
o Types of Poetry

Lesson 2. Morning at the Window

Code: C251G08U03L02

Objectives:

- Analyze poem "Morning at the Window" by T.S. Eliot.
- Identify imagery in a poem.
- Identify the theme of a poem.

Subtitles

o Meet the Author
o Before Reading
o Morning at the Window by T.S. Elliot
o After Reading

Lesson 3. The Road Not Taken

Code: C251G08U03L03

Objectives:

- Identify facts about Robert Frost.
- Analyze "The Road Not Taken."
- Create an original free verse poem.
- Analyze the poetic elements in the poem "The Road Not Taken."

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o The Road Not Taken Poem
- o After Reading

Lesson 4. If I Can Stop One Heart From Breaking

Code: C251G08U03L04

Objectives:

- Identify facts about Emily Dickinson.
- Answer analysis questions about the poem in written assignments.
- Learn about symbolism and identify it in the poem.
- Complete a project involving volunteering.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o If I can Stop One Heart From Breaking Poem by Emily Dickinson
- o After Reading

Lesson 5. I, too by Langston Hughes

Code: C251G08U03L05

Objectives:

- Identify facts about Langston Hughes.
- Analyze the poem "I, too" in a written assignment.
- Identify the elements of a free verse poem.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o I, Too by Langston Hughes
- o After Reading

Unit 4. Traditional Literature

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of Traditional Literature

Code: C251G08U04L01

Objectives:

- Define traditional literature.
- Identify elements of traditional literature.
- Categorize types of traditional literature.

Subtitles

- What is traditional literature?
- Elements of Traditional Literature
- Types of Traditional Literature

Lesson 2. Elements of Mythology

Code: C251G08U04L02

Objectives:

- Define myth and mythology.
- Identify elements of mythology.
- Identify myths from different cultures.

Subtitles

- What is Mythology?
- Elements of Mythology
- Types of Myths

Lesson 3. Greek Mythology

Code: C251G08U04L03

Objectives:

- Identify Greek mythology and its elements.
- Recall elements and details of a story structure.
- Describe the features of a place or people.
- Summarize major events in a narrative.
- Support ideas with details and examples.

Subtitles

- What is Greek Mythology?
- Before the Reading
- After Reading

Lesson 4. Pandora's Box

Code: C251G08U04L04

Objectives:

- Identify Greek mythology and its elements.
- Recall elements and details of a story structure, such as sequence of events, character, plot, and setting.
- Identify major events in a narrative.
- Support ideas with details and examples.

Subtitles

- Before the Reading
- Pandora's Box
- After Reading

Lesson 5. The Myth of King Midas

Code: C251G08U04L05

Objectives:

- Identify Greek mythology and its elements.
- Recall elements and details of a story structure, such as sequence of events,
- character, plot, and setting.

- Describe the features of a place or people.
- Identify and summarize major events in a narrative.
- Support ideas with details and examples.

Subtitles

o Before the Reading
o The Myth of King Midas
o After Reading

Unit 5. Speeches and Public Speaking

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of Speech

Code: C251G08U05L01

Objectives:

- Identify the parts of a speech.
- Identify the elements of a speech.
- Identify types of speeches.

Subtitles

- o What is a speech?
- o Parts of a Speech
- o Elements of a Speech
- o Types of Speeches

Lesson 2. Gettysburg Address

Code: C251G08U05L02

Objectives:

- Define vocabulary words.
- Identify examples of several rhetorical devices.
- Recall details and elements of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Gettysburg Address
- o After Reading

Lesson 3. Aint'I a Woman?

Code: C251G08U05L03

Objectives:

- Define unknown words from speech.
- Identify examples of several rhetorical devices.
- Recall details and elements of Sojourner Truth's "Ain't I a Woman?" speech.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Ain't I a Woman?
- o After Reading

Lesson 4. John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Speech

Code: C251G08U05L04

Objectives:

- Define unknown words from speech.
- Identify examples of several rhetorical devices.
- Recall details and elements of John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Speech.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Inaugural Speech
- o After Reading

Lesson 5. Public Speaking Skills

Code: C251G08U05L05

Objectives:

- Create a speech outline.
- Write a speech using the writing process.
- Present speech in front of class.

Subtitles

- o What is Public Speaking?
- o Writing a Speech
- o Speaking in Public

Unit 6. Drama

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of Drama

Code: C251G08U06L01

Objectives:

- Identify the meaning of drama.
- Identify the elements of drama.
- Classify the types of drama.

Subtitles

- What is Drama in literature?
- Elements of Drama
- Types of Drama
- Drama Activity

Lesson 2. Hamlet Act I

Code: C251G08U06L02

Objectives:

- Identify elements of drama in Hamlet Act I.
- Identify facts about William Shakespeare and the Elizabethan theatre.
- Answer reading comprehension questions.
- Analyze characters and themes in the play.
- Make observations about the play by completing a KWL chart.

Subtitles

- Meet the Author
- Before the Reading
- Hamlet Act I
- After Reading

Lesson 3. Hamlet Act II

Code: C251G08U06L03

Objectives:

- Summarize Hamlet Act II.
- Analyze and discuss the events in Hamlet Act II.
- Interpret a quote from Shakespeare.

Subtitles

- o Before the Reading
- o Hamlet Act II
- o After Reading

Lesson 4. Hamlet Act III

Code: C251G08U06L04

Objectives:

- Recall sequence of events.
- Summarize Hamlet Act III.
- Revise a scene from a play.
- Make predictions based on the text.

Subtitles

- o Before the Reading
- o Hamlet Act III
- o After Reading

Lesson 5. Hamlet Act IV-V

Code: C251G08U06L05

Objectives:

- Interpret a quote from the play.
- Summarize and illustrate Acts IV and V.
- Make observations about the play by completing a KWL chart.

Subtitles

- o Before the Reading
- o Hamlet Act IV-V
- o After Reading

Unit 7. Novel

At the completion of this unit, the student will have achieved the objectives found in the following lesson.

Lesson 1. Elements of a Novel

Code: C251G08U07L01

Objectives:

- Define the elements of a novel.
- Identify and define parts of a plot.
- Identify types of conflict.
- Identify and define the points of view.
- Identify types of characters.
- Identify types of novels.

Subtitles

- o What is a Novel?
- o Elements of a Novel
- o Types of Novels

Lesson 2. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 1-3

Code: C251G08U07L02

Objectives:

- Identify facts about Lewis Carroll.
- Recall and apply elements of a novel.
- Summarize chapters 1-3 of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 1-3
- o After Reading

Lesson 3. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 4-6

Code: C251G08U07L03

Objectives:

- Predict what is going to happen in chapters 4-6 after previewing.
- Identify and describe the characters in the story.
- Summarize chapters 4-6 of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 4-6
- o After Reading

Lesson 4. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 7-9

Code: C251G08U07L04

Objectives:

- Identify and describe the characters in the story.
- Summarize chapters 7-9 of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.
- Identify and create riddles and parodies.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 7-9
- o After Reading

Lesson 5. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 10-12

Code: C251G08U07L05

Objectives:

- Predict what is going to happen in chapters 10-12 after previewing.
- Identify and describe the characters in the story.
- Summarize chapters 10-12 of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.

Subtitles

- o Meet the Author
- o Before Reading
- o Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Ch. 10-12
- o After Reading