10th Grade ELA: Critical Response and Stance



DURATION OF UNIT: 21-30 days

Theme, Enduring Understandings, & Essential Questions for This Unit	HSCE'S	How Students will Demonstrate Their Understanding	Standards-based Essential Skills & Concepts to be Targeted Throughout the Unit	Strategies / Best Practices Used to Explicitly Teach the Skills & Concepts	Resources for this Multi-Genre Unit
Theme: Resilience is the ability to avoid, minimize, withstand, embrace, adapt, and recover from the effects of adversity. Enduring Understandings:	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.1, 4.2	Summative Assessment (at the end of the unit): Memoir Writing (Assessment 130-133)	Reading: • Interpreting different genres • Informational Reading • Close Reading • Strategy Development	 Read aloud Graphic Organizers Quick-Writes Student-led discussions Peer editing Revision Rummy Think-Pair-Share 	Anchor Text(s): Of Mice and Men by Steinbeck Tuesdays with Morrie by Albom Poetry: "I, Too, Sing America" by Hughes
 Essential Questions: What are the benefits of having relationships? Are all relationships equal? How do relationships support our lives? What are the trade-offs in relationships? (You might wish to talk to students about "trade-offs" as the giving up of one benefit in order to gain another, maybe more desirable benefit. (Word Study)) What determines the relationships we have? How do class, religion, race, and culture determine our relationships? What role does empathy play in mutual relationships? What place does a dream/vision have in one's life/relationships? 		Formative Assessments (throughout the unit): • "I, Too Sing America" & "Resilience" Multiple Choice/Critical Reading • Timed Writing Scenario – School Consolidation • ACT Grammar / Rhetoric Quiz • Word Study • Persuasive Essay • Narrative Essay	 Writing: Narrative writing Persuasive writing Effective use of language Speaking & Listening: Analyzing mass media Develop as a listener 		"The Explorer" by Gwendolyn Brooks Short Stories: Drama: The Mighty (100 min) 1998 film starring Sharon Stone Tuesdays with Morrie (optional video) Of Mice and Men (optional video) Nonfiction: "Resilience" (Assessment 4) "Living in Sym" (Appendix 7a-c) "Symbiosis" (Appendix 9a-b) John Steinbeck biography page (teacher's plan 22)