College and Career Ready (CCR3) - Juniors - American Literature
The Language of Literature - McDougal Littell

August/September - Origins and Encounters:
Literature: William Bradford’s Of Plymouth Plantation, and Maya Angelou’s My Sojourn in the Lands of My Ancestors. (Native American traditions-accounts of Exploration and Exploitation)
Reading and Writing: Informative/Explanatory, On-Demand

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

September/October - From Colony to Country
Reading and Writing: Informative/Explanatory, On-Demand

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

October/November - The Spirit of Individualism
Reading and Writing: Poetry, Reflective/Analysis, On-Demand

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

November/December - Conflict and Expansion
Literature: Selections from authors Frederick Douglass, Ambrose Bierce, Stephen Crane, Abraham Lincoln, Chief Joseph, and Mark Twain
Reading and Writing: Informative/Explanatory, Narrative, On-Demand

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

January/February - The Changing Face of America
Literature: Author Study on Emily Dickinson, Kate Chopin, Carl Sandburg, and F. Scott Fitzgerald’s The Great Gatsby.
Reading and Writing: Compare/Contrast Essay, Argument and Research Skills

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

February/March - The Modern Age
Literature: Reading selections from Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, Alice Walker James Baldwin, Gwendolyn Brooks, Toni Morrison, Robert Frost, and Ernest Hemmingway.
Reading and Writing: Research paper

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

April/May - War Abroad and Conflict at Home
Literature: Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck, Martin Luther King Jr., Amy Tan and A Raisin in the Sun (Hansbury).
Reading and Writing: On-Demand

Grammar/Vocabulary - First Fives/Structural Analysis

* * Vocabulary is foundational to reading and writing and is an ongoing component in my classes. * *

Vocabulary - Word Roots, Synonyms and ACT Words

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