



Jr. High School English Core Curriculum

Literature and Composition 7 or Literature and Composition 7 (H)

Emphasizing vocabulary, parts of speech and essay structure, this class is designed to build the foundation required to create strong writers. Literary works of fiction, nonfiction and drama (e.g. Poe, Stevenson, Orne Jewett, Frank, Hansberry) and poetry (e.g. Frost, Hughes) are read and analyzed.

Grade: 7

Length: 2 Semesters

Prerequisite: None

Literature and Composition 8 or Literature and Composition 8 (H)

This class builds on Grammar & Composition 7 further emphasizing the elements of writing to reinforce strong writing skills in both expository and creative writing. Sandburg, Shelley and Browning (Poetry) and Hemingway, O'Henry, Orwell, Poe and Crane (Literature) are representative authors of this class which builds on English 7's foundation of literary analysis and critical thinking skills.

Grade: 8

Length: 2 Semesters

Prerequisite: English 7