

ELA PACING GRADE 7

revised 12/21	Q1 (Sept-Nov)	Q2 (Nov-Jan)	Q3 (Feb-March)	Q4 (Apr-June)
Reading Pacing	<u>HMH--Unit 1 (Weeks 4-9)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Everything it Seems Monster Screenplay Monster Graphic Novel Mirror Image 	<u>HMH--Unit 2 (Wks 14-18)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heartbeat Flight of Icarus Myth Thank You, Ma'am Women in Aviation <i>*Optional* Police Stop Changes Teenager's Life</i>	<u>HMH-- (Weeks 19-27)</u> Unit 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges for Space Exploration Humans Need to Explore Outer Space Let Robots Take to the Stars Dark They Were... Unit 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It's Not Just a Game Crossover Ball Hawk <i>*Optional* Sometimes a Dream Needs a Push</i>	<u>HMH--(Weeks 30-36).</u> Unit 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Craig Kielburger... A Poem for My Librarian, Mrs. Long Francis Perkins...
Writing Pacing Weave grammar lessons across the year.	<u>Schoolwide--(Weeks 1-3)</u> Set up Notebook Grammar Lessons: Sentence Structure, Parts of Speech, Dialogue Organization Literary Analysis with HMH "Monster" Excerpt	<u>Schoolwide--(Weeks 10-13)</u> Memoir & Creative Writing Elements	Argument Writing & Thesis Statements (coinciding with HMH Unit 3)	Research Elements & Activist Project <u>Test Talk (May)</u>
Grammar Schoolwide Lessons HMH Lessons (Level Up Worksheets)	<u>Parts of Speech</u> W1 D1-3 <u>Punctuation</u> W1 D4-5 <u>Parts of Speech</u>	<u>Sentence Structure/ Clarity</u> W2 D6-10, W3 D11-12 <u>Sentence Structure/Clarity</u> Subject and Predicate Practice, Chronological Order, Cause and Effect	<u>Style & Tone</u> W3 D13-15, W4 D16-18 <u>Style & Tone</u> Analyze Tone, Analyze Mood, Literary Devices, Formal vs.	<u>Text Layout</u> W4 D19-20 <u>Putting it All Together</u> W5 D21 <u>Text Layout</u>

	<p>Verb Tense, Pronouns, Conjunctions, Adverbs, Subject Verb Agreement, etc.</p> <p><u>Punctuation</u> Commas, Parentheses Hyphens Dashes, Punctuating Quotations Practice, Titles, Revising the Sentence, etc.</p>	<p>Organization, Run ons and Fragments, The Sentence Module Review, etc.</p>	<p>Informal Style, Author's Perspective</p>	<p>Presentation Format, Bullet Points, Headers and Subheaders, Paraphrasing</p>
Assessments	<p><u>HMH</u> Fall Growth Measure (Sept.) NJ State Testing <u>HMH</u> Quarter 1 Test (Nov)</p> <p>Optional: Selection Tests</p>	<p><u>HMH</u> Winter Growth Measure (Jan.) <u>HMH</u> Quarter Test (Jan)</p> <p>Optional: Selection Tests</p>	<p><u>HMH</u> Quarter 3 Test (March)</p> <p>Optional: Selection Tests</p>	<p><u>HMH</u> Spring Growth Measure (May)</p> <p><u>HMH</u> Quarter 6 Test (May)</p> <p>NJ State Testing (May)</p> <p>Optional: Selection Tests</p>
Additional Supports	<p>Encouraged for all: Newsela Flocabulary</p> <p>Optional for at-risk readers: Lexia for students who are working at below grade level in the program.</p>			
NJ Curricular Mandates	<p>Galloway Township Teacher Resource Crosswalk</p>			

GRADE 7 HMH Recommended Pacing

Unit 1: Reality Check Essential Question: <i>What can blur the lines between what's real and what's not?</i> Unit 1 Academic Vocabulary: abnormal, feature, focus, perceive, task				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language! (Grammar)
ANALYZE & APPLY				
SHORT STORY Mirror Image by Lena Coakley Challenging text, but interesting. Only story with flashback focus.	Analyze Plot and <u>Flashback</u> Analyze Character Traits	Diary Entry Turn a Mirror on Looks News Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • disquiet • prickly • mesmerize • adaptable • grimace Suffixes <i>-able</i> and <i>-ible</i>	Punctuating Dialogue
Mentor Text ARTICLE Not Everything It Seems by Arnetta Carter Interesting topic (influencers). Engaged in informational and Get Ready Skills are well matched	Determine Author's Purpose Cite Evidence	Good or Bad Influence? Informal Debate Make Memes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • collaborate • relevant • skepticism Reference Resources	Correlative Conjunctions
FOLKTALE Two Legs or One? retold by Josepha Sherman Neat story, but don't get lost in the skills or skip altogether.	Analyze Folktales Analyze Humor	Critique the Twists Trickster Tales Retell the Tale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scurry • procession • dignified • upright Glossary	Commas
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Moods				

POEM The Song of Wandering Aengus by W. B. Yeats	Analyze Rhyme Analyze Rhyme Scheme and Mood Analyze Sound Devices and Mood	A Mystery Poem Illustrate Sketchy Moments Perform a Choral Reading		
POEM Eldorado by Edgar Allan Poe				
Can skip because Mood and poetry can be covered later.				

Collaborate & Compare Compare Moods				
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Versions				
SCREENPLAY from Monster by Walter Dean Myers	Analyze Narrator Analyze Graphic Novels	Write a Character Analysis Create a Storyboard Panel Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • detention • voice-over • acknowledge • supp ress Word Origins	Complex Sentences: Subordinating Conjunctions
GRAPHIC NOVEL from Monster: A Graphic Novel by Walter Dean Myers adapted by Guy A. Sims, illustrated by Dawud Anyabwile				
Myers, interest, inclusive. Note: It cuts in odd spots. It is only the first few pages so the follow up tasks may need to be shortened/skipped.				
Collaborate & Compare Compare Versions				

Unit 2: Take Control				
Essential Question: <i>How do actions define us?</i>				
Unit 2 Academic Vocabulary: aspect, cultural, evaluate, resource, text				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language
ANALYZE & APPLY				
SHORT STORY Heartbeat by David Yoo Good message for MS students. Good for plot, humor... May wish to be discriminating if using the tasks (choices)	Analyze Character Analyze Conflict	Note of Apology Father-Son Role-Play Self-Help Infographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> metabolism moot futile delirious Greek Prefixes 	Types of Clauses
MYTH The Flight of Icarus retold by Sally Benson Students are interested in myths, Good Get Ready Skills. Skip the Choices	Analyze Myth Determine Themes	Blog Post Supporting a Grieving Person Virtual-Reality Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> moderate prowess frantic anxiety Latin Suffixes 	Commas and Coordinate Adjectives
POEM Icarus's Flight by Stephen Dobyns Challenging text. Follow up even more so.	Analyze Form in Poetry Analyze Word Choice	Poem Critique the Poem Wing Diagram		
SHORT STORY Rogue Wave by Theodore Taylor Skip? Story drags.	Analyze Plot Make Inferences	Disaster Film Proposal Coping with Disasters Rogue Waves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> swell deck navigation pothole Latin Roots 	Sentence Structure

Mentor Text HISTORY WRITING Women in Aviation by Patricia and Fredrick McKissack Good prep for Q2 Benchmark Good match to skills	Determine Author's Purpose Cite Evidence and Evaluate Details	Tribute to Women Aviators Bessie Coleman Presentation Aviation Timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inundate • restrictive • exhibition • precaution Denotation and Connotation	Precise Language
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Characters and People				
SHORT STORY Thank You, M'am by Langston Hughes topic, author. Video clip 8 ' play version is neat https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UMrBMTglPxc	Analyze Character Analyze Setting and Conflict	Email Request Making of a Mentor 20th-Century Harlem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sue • mistrust • embarrass • latch • barren Possessive Nouns	Capitalization
ARTICLE A Police Stop Changed This Teenager's Life by Amy B Wang Balanced, but may not match skills. Compares to short story by topic. Maybe a Newsela article should swap it out.	Analyze Structure	Objective Summary Sketchnote the Article Crowdfunding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burden • interaction • reliable • donate • token Context Clues	More Than Enough Words
Collaborate & Compare Compare Characters and People				

Unit 3: The Terror and Wonder of Space Essential Question: <i>Is space exploration a daring adventure or a dangerous risk?</i> Unit 3 Academic Vocabulary: complex, potential, rely, stress, valid				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language
ANALYZE & APPLY				
SCIENCE FICTION Dark They Were, and Golden-Eyed by Ray Bradbury Bradbury, so challenging text. Could be excerpted and still determine mood.	Analyze Science Fiction Analyze Mood	Literary Analysis Group Discussion Podcast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> convivial idle forlorn recede pendulum muse Latin Roots	Dangling Modifiers
SCIENCE WRITING Martian Metropolis by Meg Thatcher Skip this year	Analyze Central Ideas Analyze Structure	Fake Texts Research Becoming an Astronaut Timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> radiation colonize geoth ernal Greek Roots 	Capitalization
ARGUMENT Challenges for Space Exploration by Ann Leckie Skip this year	Analyze Author's Purpose Analyze Repetition	Write a Poem Chart the Risks Examine Exploration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> infinitely entail crucial habitat Word Origins	Commas After Introductory Phrases
POEM What If We Were Alone? by William Stafford Skip this year	Analyze Form Analyze Theme	Write a Poem Space-Related Memes Astronomy		

VIDEO Seven Minutes of Terror by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Optional to show	Analyze Video	Close Encounters Make Your Own Video Group Discussion		
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Arguments				
<i>Mentor Text</i> ARGUMENT Humans Need to Explore Outer Space by Claudia Alarcón	Analyze Argument Analyze Rhetorical Devices	Write a Letter Explore the International Space Station Discuss Loaded Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • administration • prominent • beneficial Connotations and Denotations	Subordinating Conjunctions in Complex Sentences
<i>Mentor Text</i> ARGUMENT Let Robots Take to the Stars by Eiren Caffall		Write a Short Story Explore Health Demands Demonstration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plague • dubious • erupt Use a Dictionary	Subject-Verb Agreement
Collaborate & Compare Compare Arguments				

Unit 5: Game On! Essential Question: <i>How do games impact our lives?</i> Unit 5 Academic Vocabulary: attitude, consume, goal, purchase, style				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language
ANALYZE & APPLY				
MENTOR TEXT SHORT STORY Ball Hawk by Joseph Bruchac	Analyze Point of View Analyze Conflict	Epilogue Baseball Card Player's Struggles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> consecutive mascot federal Greek Roots	Commonly Confused Words
INFORMATIONAL TEXT Get in the Zone: The Psychology of VideoGame Design by Aaron Miller Attractive topic	Predict Analyze Purpose and Perspective	Video-Game Storyline Sketchnote Group Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> absorb wholly immerse irrelevant disoriented Verify Meaning	Misplaced Modifiers
INFORMATIONAL TEXT It's Not Just a Game! by Lori Calabrese Option	Determine Central Ideas Analyze Organizational Structure	Text Your Opinion Sports Songs Playlist Present an Infographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> accomplishment negotiate mutual utilization Thesaurus	Verbals
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Themes				
NOVEL IN VERSE from The Crossover by Kwame Alexander	Analyze Novel in Verse Analyze Figurative Language	Poem with Type Effects Podcast Basketball Guide		
POEM Double Doubles by J. Patrick Lewis	Analyze Two-Voice Poetry Make Inferences	Two-Voice Poem Biopic Pitch Tennis Timeline		
Collaborate & Compare Compare Themes				

Unit 6: Change Agents Essential Question: <i>How can changing the world change you?</i> Unit 6 Academic Vocabulary: contrast, despite, error, inadequate, interact				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language
ANALYZE & APPLY				
SHORT STORY <i>Sometimes a Dream Needs a Push</i> by Walter Dean Myers Myers.And topic	Analyze Realistic Fiction Analyze Character	Basketball Article Dealing with Guilt Video Critique	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • concession • collision • turnover • congestion • fundamental Domain-Specific Words	Colons, Ellipses, and Hyphens
PERSONAL ESSAY <i>Craig Kielburger Reflects on Working Toward Peace</i> by Craig Kielburger skill of irony. Activism, child labor.	Question Analyze Point of View and Irony	Mission Statement Taking on the World Report on Activists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • possession • capacity • exploitation Context 	Commas
POEM <i>A Poem for My Librarian, Mrs. Long</i> by Nikki Giovanni	Analyze Themes Analyze Free-Verse Poetry	Free-Verse Poem Ordinary Heroes Fake Social-Media Page		
DOCUMENTARY <i>from It Takes a Child</i> by Judy Jackson	Analyze a Documentary	Personal Essay Talk Comparisons Produce a Podcast		
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Authors' Perspectives				

<i>Mentor Text</i> HISTORY WRITING Frances Perkins and the Triangle Factory Fire by David Brooks Topic is of interest	Paraphrase History Writing Determine Central Ideas	Summary Primary Sources Advocate for Workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lobby • fatal • distinguish • indifferent Latin Roots	Combining Sentences with Phrases
NOVEL <i>from</i> Ashes of Roses by Mary Jane Auch	Historical Fiction Setting and Motivation	Historical Fiction Calm Under Pressure Mock Interview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trample • sprawl • surge • eerie Analogies	Subject-Verb Agreement and Prepositional Phrases
Collaborate & Compare Compare Authors' Perspectives				

Unit 4: Inspired by Nature (Skipping 2022) Essential Question: <i>What does it mean to be in harmony with nature?</i> Unit 4 Academic Vocabulary: affect, element, ensure, participate, specify				
Selection / Feature Title	Get Ready skills	Choices	Critical Vocabulary words / Vocabulary Strategy	Watch Your Language
ANALYZE & APPLY				
SHORT STORY Allied with Green by Naomi Shihab Nye	Analyze Theme Analyze Style and Figurative Language	DM Lucy Spill Lucy's Tea Green Projects Brochure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • addiction • remorseful • median • arbor etum Analogies	Sentence Variety
<i>MENTOR TEXT</i> ARGUMENT Never Retreat <i>from</i> Eyes Wide Open by Paul Fleischman	Analyze Argument Analyze Point of View and Purpose	Give Your Opinion What's Your Re-Purpose? Energy Efficiency Infographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • combustion • scarcity • aquifer Synonyms and Antonyms	Sentence Structure

MEMOIR <i>from</i> Mississippi Solo by Eddy Harris	Analyze Memoir Analyze Figurative Language	Literary Analysis Be Your Own BFF Mississippi River Drawings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> avalanche insulate splinter ethereal Figures of Speech	Precise Language
POEM The Drought by Amy Helfrich	Analyze Sonnet Analyze Rhyme Scheme	Sonnet Experiment Disaster Recovery Investigate Droughts		

COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Forms and Elements				
POEM Ode to enchanted light / Oda a la luz encantada by Pablo Neruda translated by Ken Krabbenhoft POEM Sleeping in the Forest by Mary Oliver	Analyze Ode Analyze Lyric Poetry	Experience in Nature Earth Day Plan Hold a Poetry Reading Lyric Poem Nature's Healing Impact Nature Web		
Collaborate & Compare Compare Forms and Elements				
COLLABORATE & COMPARE				
Compare Persuasive Media				
VIDEO <i>from</i> Trash Talk by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration POSTER You're Part of the Solution	Analyze Persuasive Media Analyze Video Analyze a Poster	Email NOAA Poster Critique Problem-Solution Chart		
Collaborate & Compare Compare Persuasive Media				