

Conemaugh Township Middle and Senior High School Lesson Plans

ELA 7, Periods 1 & 2

Please be advised that all identified plans are tentative and are subject to change daily

Monday, December 1, 2025	Tuesday, December 2, 2025	Wednesday, December 3, 2025	Thursday, December 4, 2025	Friday, December 5, 2025
Assignments Due Today:	Assignments Due Today:	Assignments Due Today:	Assignments Due Today: Identifying Thesis Statements IXL November Arena Level due today	Assignments Due Today: Which sentence is more formal? IXL Order topics from broadest to narrowest IXL
Essential Question(s):	Essential Question(s): What is the structure of an introduction paragraph?	Essential Question(s) What is a thesis statement?	Essential Question(s): What is the difference between formal and informal language?	Essential Question(s): What are the makings of a good introductory paragraph?
Lesson/Activities:	Lesson/Activities: Book Trailer Tuesday: We will have Book Trailer Tuesday where we will watch and reflect on the trailer of a book the students may be enticed to read. We will preview <i>Heat</i> by Mike Lupica. Choice Reading Time: We will start with ten to fifteen minutes of time to read our Choice reading Books. Introduction Paragraphs and Thesis Statements: Today, we will begin our work regarding Introductory Paragraphs and Thesis	Lesson/Activities: Bell Ringer: Every-Day Edit - today we will have time to complete an "Every-Day Edit." Broad versus Narrow: For the seventh grade version of this unit, we will discuss how some thesis statements are too broad. We will talk about what broad means versus narrow. Then, the students will complete Order topics from broadest to narrowest IXL. Thesis Statements: 1. Strong and weak evaluation - the students will evaluate a set of thesis sentences if they are	Lesson/Activities: Formal Language Mini Lesson: To add to our discussion of thesis statements, we will include that thesis statements should be written in formal language. We will review the difference between formal and informal language. We will complete a practice of Formal and Informal Language. Formal Language: Which sentence is more formal? IXL Thesis Statement Practice: We will continue our practice of thesis statements where	Lesson/Activities: First Chapter Friday: The students will read and evaluate the first chapter of <i>Unbroken (YA Version)</i> by Laura Hillenbrand. First Five Journal: We will complete a journal on the first five journal topic for today. Reading Time: For the remainder of the first half of the block, we will have time to read our choice reading book. Facts versus Opinions: We will discuss the difference between facts and opinions.

	Statements. We will cover: 1. The structure of an introductory paragraph - hook, bridge/connection, thesis 2. The components of a good thesis 3. The thesis web structure Then, we will play a review game on Wayground called, "Thesis or Nah." Finally, the students will work on the IXL for "Identifying Thesis Statements."	strong thesis statements or weak ones. 2. The students will practice an in-class assignment writing their own thesis statements for the established prompts. The students will share aloud and do a constructive critique of these theses to see if they fit the criteria.	the students will practice writing more thesis statements.	We will do a gamified practice of facts versus opinions. After, we will have a worksheet where the students will evaluate statements for facts and opinions.
Homework:	Homework:	Homework: Identifying Thesis Statements IXL <i>if not done in class!</i>	Homework: Which sentence is more formal? IXL	Homework: Facts versus Opinions Worksheet
Projected Test or Quiz:	Projected Test or Quiz:	Projected Test or Quiz:	Projected Test or Quiz:	Projected Test or Quiz:
Collins Writing:	Collins Writing:	Collins Writing: Thesis Statement practice writing	Collins Writing: Thesis Statement practice writing	Collins Writing: Thesis Statement practice writing
Special Notes:	Special Notes:	Special Notes:	Special Notes:	Special Notes: Practice Introductory Paragraphs on Monday