

Lesson Plan

BASIC INFORMATION	
Summary	On Day 18/19, students will be able to write a compare and contrast essay to explain how Adichie uses juxtaposition to highlight her theme in <i>Purple Hibiscus</i>
Grade Level	10th grade
Time Frame	1 hour 34 minutes
Subject(s)	English 2
Topic(s)	1.
Instructional Materials & Prep	1. Google Slides 2. <i>Purple Hibiscus</i> by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie 3. Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe 4. Purple Hibiscus Card Quiz 10 5. Purple Hibiscus Card Quiz 9 Key 6. Purple Hibiscus Compare and Contrast Essay 7. Corruption Flourished in Abacha's Regime Resources: • Nothing but a Tortoise • Remembering Chinua Achebe And The Importance Of Struggle • Nigeria's royal tortoise said to have lived to the age of 344 in Oyo state
STANDARDS	
CA Content Standard(s)	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
CA ELD/ELA Standard(s)	
Differentiated Instruction/UDL/C SP/SDAIE	
OBJECTIVES	
	Students will be able to write a compare and contrast essay to explain how Adichie uses juxtaposition to highlight her theme in <i>Purple Hibiscus</i>
ASSESSMENT	
	Purple Hibiscus Card Quiz 9

WARM UP

1. Please get a copy of “*Purple Hibiscus* Card Quiz 10”
2. Please get a copy of “*Things Fall Apart*” excerpt
3. Please get a copy of “*Purple Hibiscus* Tortoise Story”
4. Read “*Things Fall Apart*” excerpt
5. Answer questions in “*Purple Hibiscus* Tortoise Story”
6. For question #2 & #3, you may need to re-read *Purple Hibiscus* pp. 157-161

AGENDA

1. Warm Up
15 minutes
2. Review:
Chapter 9
25 minutes
3. Peer
Review:
*Purple
Hibiscus*
Compare
and Contrast
Essay
45 minutes

1. Warm Up: [Purple Hibiscus Tortoise Story](#)

Frame:

- Read [Things Fall Apart](#) pp. 91-94
- Compare and contrast Tortoise

2. Review Chapters 9 Key

- [Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie Comes to Terms with Global Fame](#)

“Defiance is like marijuana—it is not a bad thing when it is used right”

What is the significance of Auntie Ifeoma stating to Jaja when discussing the legendary king of ethnic Nigerians Jaja of Opobo? (144).

Do you agree or disagree? Why?

- A. In *Things Fall Apart*, the tortoise story is an allegory for...

Tortoise may be seen as an invading country, and the birds the colonized people. While Tortoise uses language to deceive the birds, Parrot uses language to deceive Tortoise. This is similar to the conversations between the missionaries and the villagers of Umuofia. Both use language to entrap the other. The conflict in the fable is resolved when Tortoise falls upon his own weapons. Achebe may be indicating that both language and war are necessary for oppressed people to resist domination.

In the novel, *Things Fall Apart*, one mother, Ekwefi, retells the allegorical story of a deceitful tortoise to her daughter, Ezinma, during their nightly retelling of folk tales. The story also allegorically references to the future where the intelligent and cunning white man will want to seize all of the splendors of the land and change their culture entirely. The allegorical story begins with a tortoise “full of cunning” who realized that the birds were going to enjoy a feast in the sky. The tortoise represents the colonial invasion that is about to strike. The use of the word cunning to describe the tortoise also gives an accurate description of the “cunning” white colonizers, who use their wits and skill to deceive the Igbo people into helping them achieve their goal.

	B. One difference in the tortoise story in <i>In Things Fall Apart</i> and <i>Purple Hibiscus</i> is... Also at the heart of her story and in the midst of Kambili's transformation, Adichie has Papa-Nnukwu tell the story of the tortoise and its cracked shell. But while it is overtly the same tale, Adichie's version of this story contains some notable differences from the one that Achebe used. In Adichie's version, Tortoise is also cunning and greedy and during a famine tricks his way into a feast, but with the additional twist that he blackmails the equally cunning Dog, who gets his revenge by causing Tortoise to fall from the sky and shatter his shell. More importantly, in Adichie's version it is not so much the content of the story that is significant as the way that the listeners participate. The children join the songs at the right times, and at the end they raise unanswered questions about the story, suggesting that this is precisely the point of a narrative—to raise questions and speculations. This is a new idea for Kambili, who has been raised in the context of Eugene's monolithic narratives, and it shows her that these stories offer new possibilities: "I watched them and wished that I had joined in chanting the Njemanze! response" C. In <i>Purple Hibiscus</i>, the dog represents... 3. Revise: Purple Hibiscus Compare and Contrast Essay Go over how to write a compare and contrast essay 4. Al Jazeera: Africa States of Independence Source: Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie: Fortunes of war and peace
CLOSURE	
Homework	Read <i>Purple Hibiscus</i> pp. 162-185

NOTES

Students will be able to analyze the characteristics of Jaja

AUTOPSY

Period 1
8:10

Warm Up: read excerpt
8:15

Some students didn't know what an allegory is

Review Chapter 9

8:30

Break

8:50 - 8:55

Peer Review

8:55 - 9:44

OBSERVATION