

## **Oak Meadows 7th grade Language Arts**

### **Class Description:**

This Language Arts class is meant to be integrated with the Oak Meadows 7th grade Social Studies course on World History. Using new vocabulary from the history, students work on words as well as spelling. They will learn grammar directly and in context, studying concepts such as sentence construction, punctuation, parts of speech, etc. Student work on composition, using all the steps to writing and learning various genres of writing. They also engage in hands-on projects to apply their learning throughout the course. Literature combines with factual learning in history to make a more complete picture.

### **Learning Materials: Main Curriculum:**

Oak Meadows 7th grade English

#### Supplementary:

Summer of the Monkey

Lyddie

Amelia Earhart

Mama's Bank Account

Journey to America

Helen Keller

Goodbye, Vietnam

Martin Luther King Jr.

Zlata's Diary

A Single Shard

**Learning Goals/Performance Objectives:** 7.L.01 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

7.L.02 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

7.L.03 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

7.L.04 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

7.L.05 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

7.L.06 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

**Learning Activities:** The student will complete one lesson per week, for a total of 36 lessons. Each lesson contains vocabulary work, spelling, grammar, reading, writing, and projects.

Lesson 1: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Using a dictionary), Reading (Summer of the Monkeys), Writing (Outlining)

Lesson 2: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Homonyms), Reading (Summer of the Monkeys), Writing

Lesson 3: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Homonyms), Reading (Summer of the Monkeys), Writing  
Lesson 4: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Synonyms), Reading (Summer of the Monkeys), Writing  
Lesson 5: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Synonyms and Antonyms), Writing  
Lesson 6: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Difficult duos), Reading, Writing  
Lesson 7: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Difficult duos), Reading ( ), Writing  
Lesson 8: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Conjunctions), Writing  
Lesson 9: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Interjections, rules for making possessives), Reading (Lyddie), Writing  
Lesson 10: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Contractions), Reading (Lyddie), Writing  
Lesson 11: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Misspellings), Reading (Lyddie), Writing  
Lesson 12: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Indirect and direct objects, possessive nouns), Reading (Amelia Earhart), Writing  
Lesson 13: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Sentences), Reading (Amelia Earhart), Writing  
Lesson 14: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Sentence construction), Reading (Amelia Earhart), Writing  
Lesson 15: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Shift in Person, capitalization), Reading (Mama's Bank Account ), Writing  
Lesson 16: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Exclamation marks, punctuation), Reading (Mama's Bank Account ), Writing  
Lesson 17: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Titles), Reading (Mama's Bank Account), Writing (outline)  
Lesson 18: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Articles), Reading (Journey to America), Writing (journal)  
Lesson 19: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Common nouns, proper nouns), Reading (Journey to America), Writing  
Lesson 20: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Verb tenses, verbs), Reading (Journey to America), Writing (2-page report)  
Lesson 21: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Using the right word), Reading (Helen Keller), Writing  
Lesson 22: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Prepositional phrases, adverbs), Reading (Helen Keller), Writing  
Lesson 23: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Negatives, double negatives; homonyms, synonyms, and antonyms), Reading (Helen Keller), Writing  
Lesson 24: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Subject variations), Reading (Goodbye, Vietnam), Writing (proofread)  
Lesson 25: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Possessives), Reading (Goodbye, Vietnam), Writing (proofread)  
Lesson 26: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Review), Reading (Goodbye, Vietnam), Writing  
Lesson 27: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Locating subjects and verbs), Reading (Martin Luther King Jr), Writing  
Lesson 28: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Identifying auxiliary verbs), Reading (Martin Luther King Jr , Writing  
Lesson 29: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Correcting run-on sentences), Reading (Martin Luther King Jr.), Writing  
Lesson 30: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Correcting incomplete sentences, dependent and independent clauses, modifiers), Reading (Zlata's Diary), Writing  
Lesson 31: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Making nouns, pronouns, and verbs agree), Reading

(Zlata's Diary), Writing

Lesson 32: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Tense consistency), Reading (Zlata's Diary), Writing (Shifts in person)

Lesson 33: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar, Reading (A Single Shard), Writing (descriptive)

Lesson 34: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar, Reading (A Single Shard), Writing (supportive)

Lesson 35: Spelling, Vocab, Grammar (Dialogue punctuation), Reading (A Single Shard), Writing/Project

Lesson 36: Spelling, Grammar (Final thoughts), Writing (Reflection)

**Progress Criteria/Methods of Evaluation:** For successful completion of this course, the student will complete at least 70% of the lessons/goals, at a minimum of 70% accuracy. Formative assessments will be given throughout the year as deemed necessary. Each week the student will take a spelling test.

Timeline:

Sept: Lessons 1-4

Oct: Lessons 5-9

Nov: Lessons 10-12

Dec: Lessons 13-15

Jan: Lessons 16-20

Feb: Lessons 21-23

Mar: Lessons 24-27

April: Lessons 28-30

May: Lessons 31-34

June: Lessons 35-36