



Grade 8 Reading Teaching and Learning Framework – Aligned to Tier 1 Resource *CommonLit 360*

Independent Reading Launch Unit	Unit 1 The Art of Suspense	Unit 2 Conveying Courage	Unit 3 Twelve Angry Men	Unit 4 Contact Sports: Worth the Risk?	Unit 5 The Debate Over School Start Time
Texts	Texts	Texts	Texts	Texts	Texts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.C.1: Purpose & Audience • RA.1: Research & Inquiry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.T.1: Narrative Techniques • T.T.2: Expository Techniques • T.C.1: Purposes & Audiences • T.C.2: Authors & Speakers • T.SS.1: Organization • T.SS.2: Craft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.T.4: Poetic Techniques • T.T.2: Expository Techniques • T.C.1: Purposes & Audiences • T.C.2: Authors & Speakers • T.SS.1: Organization • T.SS.2: Craft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.T.1: Narrative Techniques • T.PM.1: Periods & Movements • T.C.1: Purposes & Audiences • T.C.2: Authors & Speakers • T.SS.1: Organization • T.SS.2: Craft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.T.2: Expository Techniques • T.RA.1: Research & Inquiry • T.RA.2: Curating Sources & Evidence • T.C.1: Purposes & Audiences • T.C.2: Authors & Speakers • T.SS.1: Organization • T.SS.2: Craft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T.T.3: Argumentative Techniques • T.RA.1: Research & Inquiry • T.RA.2: Curating Sources & Evidence • T.C.1: Purposes & Audiences • T.C.2: Authors & Speakers • T.SS.1: Organization • T.SS.2: Craft
Language	Language	Language	Language	Language	Language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.GC.1: Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics • L.GC.2: Syntax • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis • L.V.3: Meaning & Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.GC.1: Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics • L.GC.2: Syntax • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis • L.V.3: Meaning & Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.GC.1: Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics • L.GC.2: Syntax • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis • L.V.3: Meaning & Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.GC.1: Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics • L.GC.2: Syntax • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis • L.V.3: Meaning & Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.GC.1: Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics • L.GC.2: Syntax • L.V.1: General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary • L.V.2: Word Analysis • L.V.3: Meaning & Purpose
Practices	Practices	Practices	Practices	Practices	Practices
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.1: Reader & Writer Identity • P.EICC.2: Engagement & Intention • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.1: Context • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer • P.AC.3: Text Design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.1: Reader & Writer Identity • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.1: Context • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer • P.AC.3: Text Design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.2: Engagement & Intention • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.2: Author, Audience, & Purpose • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.1: Context • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer • P.ST.2: Author, Audience, & Purpose • P.AC.2: Writing like a Reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.2: Engagement & Intention • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.2: Author, Audience, & Purpose • P.AC.2: Writing like a Reader • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.EICC.3: Comprehension Strategies • P.ST.2: Author, Audience, & Purpose • P.AC.1: Reading like a Writer • P.AC.2: Writing like a Reader • P.CP.1: Collaboration



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P.CP.1: Collaboration• P.CP.2: Presentation		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P.AC.2: Writing like a Reader• P.CP.2: Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P.CP.2: Presentation
Comprehension Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Comprehension Strategies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• goal setting• self-monitoring• metacognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• making predictions• generating and answering questions (QtA, QAR)• graphic organizer – narrative structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TP-CASTT (poetry analysis)• analyzing text structures• analyzing text features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SIFT (fictional text analysis)• marking the text	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOAPSTone (text analysis)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SMELL (persuasive text analysis)•
Performance Tasks	Performance Tasks	Performance Tasks	Performance Tasks	Performance Tasks	Performance Tasks
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compare and Contrast Literary Analysis Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative Literary Analysis Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Literary Analysis Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advertisement with Persuasive Pitch	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative Multimodal Argumentative Presentation