



Back to School ** Aug. 27, 2015

8th Grade English

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Eighth Grade Textbooks:

WordlyWise 3000 www.wordlywise3000.com

Prentice Hall Writing Coach

Great Books (Series 8)

Romeo and Juliet (Shakespeare),
Johnny Tremain (Forbes), and
Kill a Mockingbird (Lee).

Units in Conjunction with History class:

Johnny Tremain and Writing Almanacs –
American Revolution

Research Report – Art forms in the Decades
of the Twentieth Century

Technology Incorporation:

Digital Storytelling, Thinglink, BookCreator,
Piktochart, Nureva Troove, PowerPoint,
Videos

Writing Skills

Personal narrative; Descriptive Writing
Analysis of Poetry; Essays – 5 paragraphs
Journalism and reviews; Short Stories
Research Report— Art & Decade
Journal and Literary Responses

Grammar Skills:

Parts of Speech; Sentence Structure ; Punctuation;
Word Usage (Nouns, Verbs, Adjectives, Adverbs,
Prepositions)

Vocabulary Skills:

Definitions, Use in a sentence, Reading
comprehension, Derivatives, Analogies, Enrichment

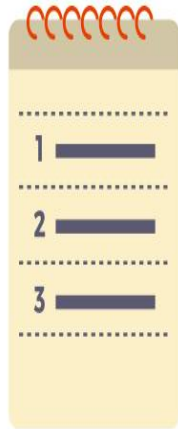
Literary Skills:

Active reading; Comprehension; Study Skills ;
Literary Terms and Devices; Interpretation ; Shared
Inquiry; Evaluation



ESLRs—Expected School wide Learning Results

- *Communicate Effectively
- *Work Cooperatively
 - *Solve Problems
- *Work Independently
 - *Be Respectful
- *Experience Enrichment



8th Grade Special Units:

Ashland Shakespeare Festival Fieldtrip –
Sept. 16-18, 2015

Study of Poem and Poet
Colonial Almanac
Book Festival in April
Art in Decade (1900 – 1990) Research
To Kill a Mockingbird Journal

GRADES:

Point system—

Vocabulary, Grammar, Writing, Literature averaged into One grade.
Class work, Homework, Handouts, Quizzes, Tests,
Participation, Group Work

Reports in Upper grades discussed every Wednesday

Homework Policy— as lined out in the Handbook



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