AN INTRODUCTION TO



English I-IV

The Scarlet Letter

Macbeth



Frankenstein

Boyhood

Great Expectations

THE ODYSSEY

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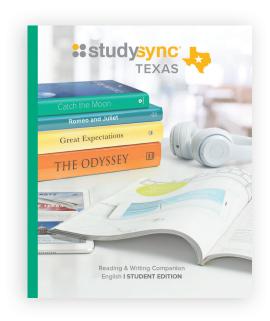


BRING LITERATURE TO LIFE

Welcome to Texas StudySync®—rigorous, culturally-relevant content that ignites a love of literature in ALL students.

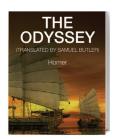
- ✓ Aligns 100% to the TEKS, ELPS, and College and Career Readiness Standards
- Provides instructional choice with thematic units, novel studies, and teacher-created units
- Supports interchangeable print and digital use

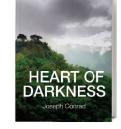
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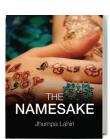
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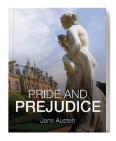


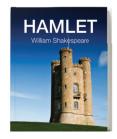




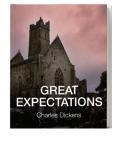


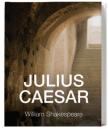








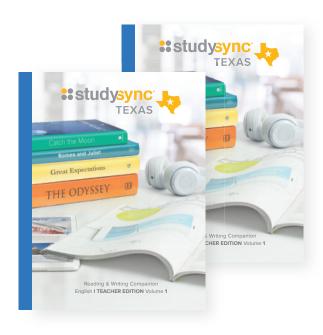






- ✓ Features a continuously growing library of over 1,700 classic and contemporary texts
- ✓ Includes extensive writing and research practice
- ✓ Automatically embeds scaffolds, so ALL students can reach their potential

Teacher Print



EOC and **ACT/SAT** Test Prep

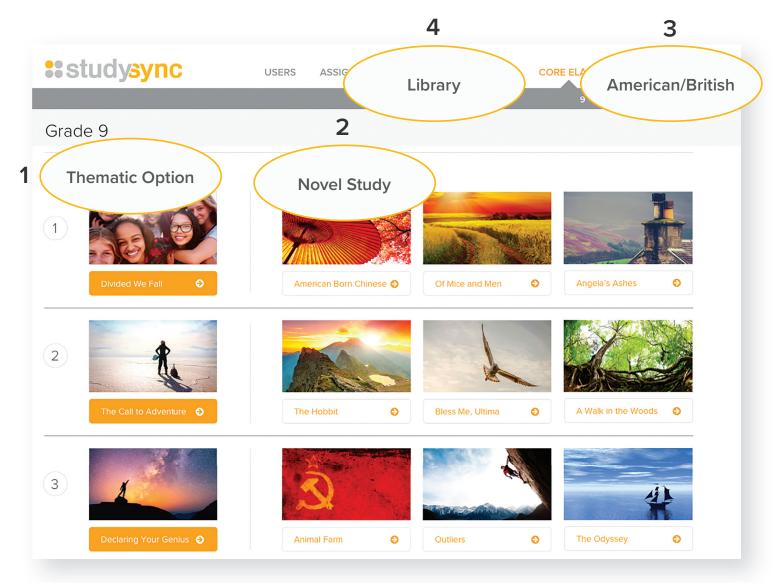


Comprehensive Student and Teacher Digital Experience



PICK YOUR PATH

Texas StudySync provides **four curricular options** to enhance your teaching experience in print and online. Pacing guides are included for options 1–3.



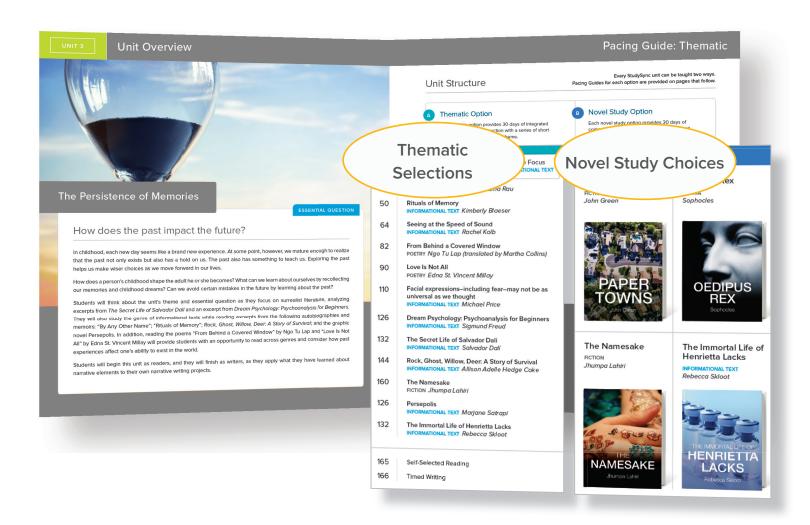
1 Thematic Units

These units contain several text types from a variety of genres. Selections include multiple paired readings to challenge students to compare within and across genres.

2 Novel Studies

Each unit has at least three novel study options. Teachers can choose a whole-class novel study or employ a more independent, student-choice model.





3 American or British Literature

Teachers in Grades 11 and 12 can choose an optional chronological format to American and British literature.

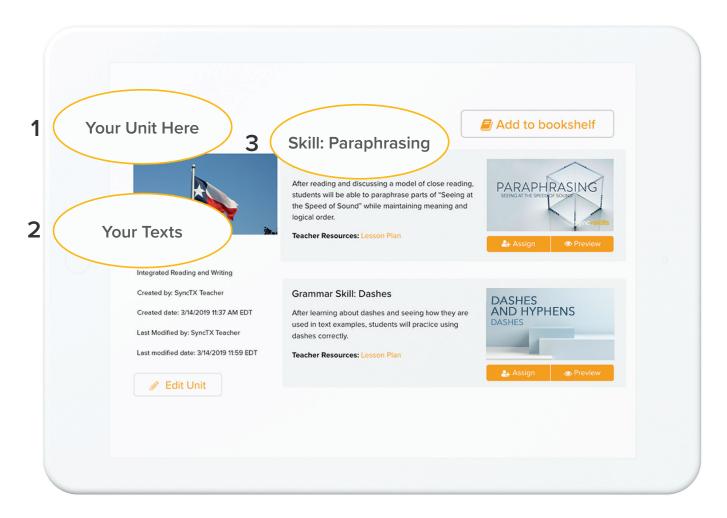
4 Unit Creator

Turn the page to learn how to create your own units.



CUSTOMIZE YOUR PATH

Build the units you want using **Texas StudySync's Unit Creator** and library of thousands of texts and instructional materials.



- **1.** Create your own unit.
- **2.** Insert your chosen texts from the StudySync Library.
- **3.** Choose and insert skill lessons.









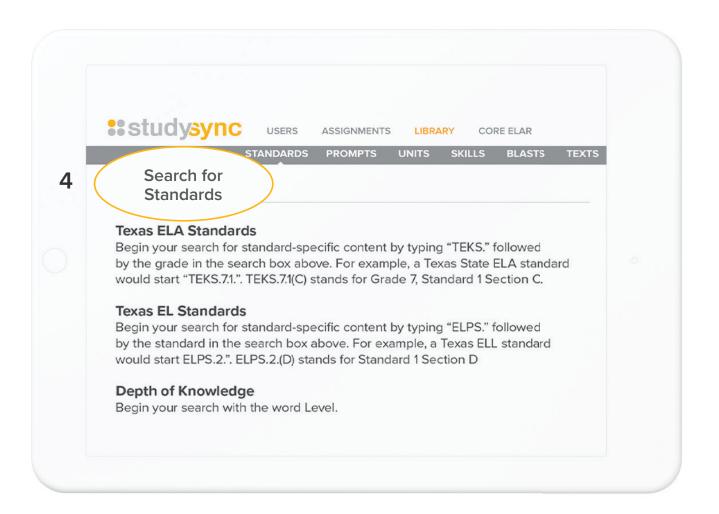








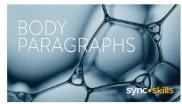




4. Search by standard to pinpoint specific lessons.











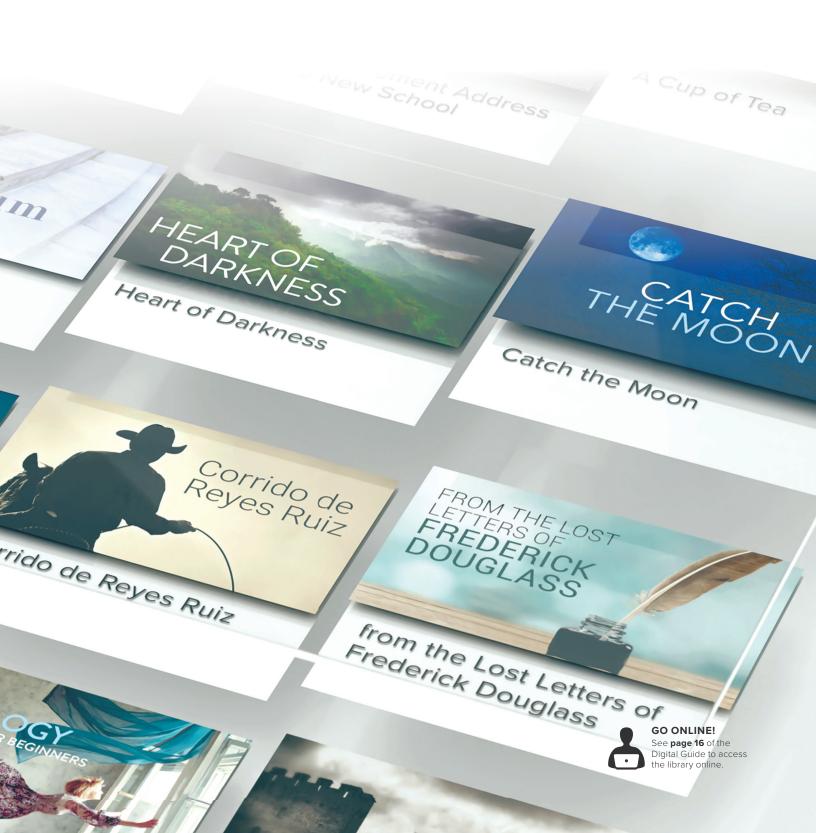






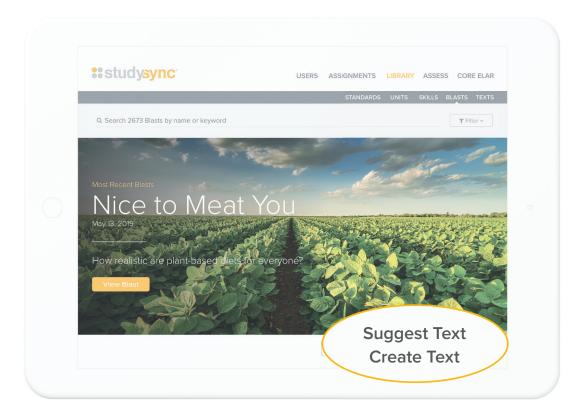
NEW CONTENT ADDED DAILY

StudySync's continuously growing library includes short stories, poems, excerpts of novels and dramas, essays, speeches, and primary source documents. **New texts are added every month.**

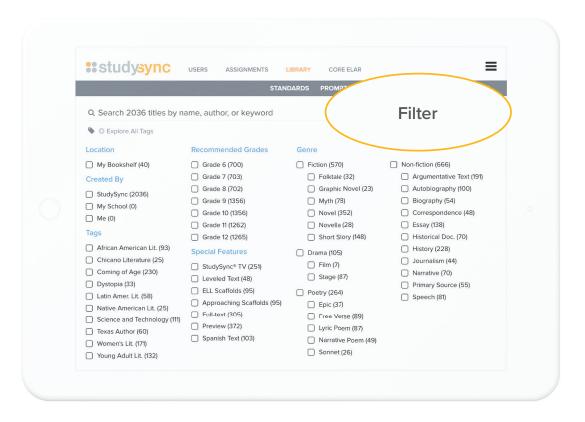




Add your own library items or request the texts that you want to see in the library.



Use Texas StudySync's library filters to find exactly what you need.



BLASTS

Blasts are short read/write activities, in a familiar, social media format. They cover current events and pop culture topics while offering leveled text for differentiation. New Blasts are added to the StudySync Library each school day.



Differentiation

Blast articles are available at three different Lexile levels.





Peer Review

Peer reviews provide immediate feedback on students' writing on a platform moderated by teachers.

Top 10

Students compete anonymously to make the Top 10 list.



Hundreds of Blasts

Blasts are integrated throughout the Instructional Path of every Unit. In addition to a new Blast every school day, you can pull from the hundreds of Blasts in the Library to customize for your classroom.

RESEARCH AND WRITING

Texas StudySync offers **embedded writing, grammar, and research** opportunities throughout each lesson and unit.

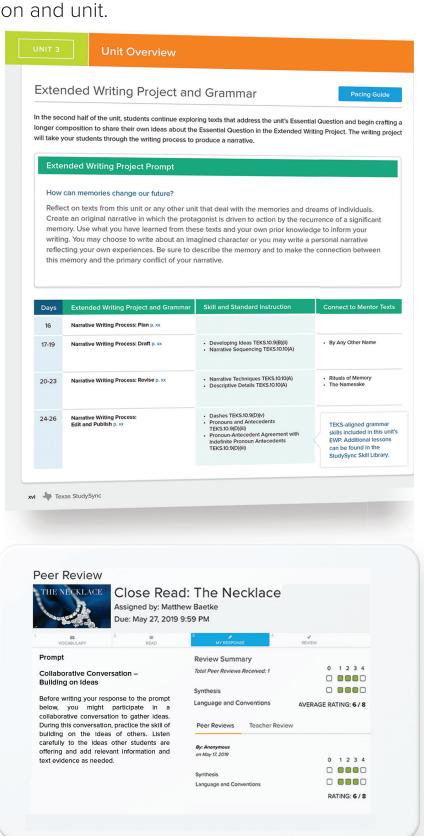
Extended Writing Project and **Grammar**

Each unit's Extended Writing Project leads students through the steps of the writing process to teach TEKS-aligned writing skills in genre characteristics and craft necessary for open-ended writing. Students write in multiple forms, including:

- Personal or fictional narrative
- Argumentative essay
- ✓ Literary analysis
- Argumentative research
- Research-based oral presentation
- ✓ Correspondence

Anonymous peer review is available for every written response. These reviews create an authentic audience for student writing.







Pacing Guide: Thematic

Research

The following lessons include opportunities for research:

Blast The Persistence of Memories Research Links*
Blast Painting History Research Links*

Close Read Rituals of Memory Text to World (Beyond)
Independent Read From Behind a Covered Window

Text to World (Beyond)

First Read | Love is Not All | Developing Background Knowledge |
Independent Read | Dream Psychology Developing Background

ndependent Read The Namesake Developing Background

First Read Persepolis Developing Background Knowledge

ose Read Persepolis Beyond the Book
st Cheating an Ecosystem Research Links*



Self-Selected Reading Prompt

After reading a self-selected text, students will respond to the following informational / expository prompt:

Humorous? Inspirational? Thought-provoking? Certain lines of text stick in our memories. But why? Different readers remember different lines of text for different reasons. But what makes these lines of text leave a lasting impression?

What makes a line of text memorable?

You've just selected and read a text that relates to ideas and issues explored in the unit. What is a line of that text that stuck with you? Was the line funny? Did it inspire you? Did it change your opinion about something? Using your self-selected text, write a response in which you identify a memorable line and tell why the language in that line is special to you.

Timed Writing Prompt

Students will respond to the following SAT-style rhetorical analysis prompt:

Write an essay in which you explain how the author builds an argument to persuade their audience that saving lives should take priority over preserving traditions.

In your essay, analyze how the author uses one or more of the features in the directions that precede the passage (or features of your own choice) to strengthen the logic and persuasiveness of their argument. Be sure that your analysis focuses on the most relevant features of the passage.

Your essay should not explain whether you agree or not with the author's claims, but instead explain how the author builds an argument in an attempt to persuade his or her audience.

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Research Opportunities

Unit overviews include multiple research options. Texas StudySync's step-by-step process guides students through research projects.



ACCESS FOR ALL

Every student using Texas StudySync has the same opportunity and access regardless of native language, proficiency level, or physical, social, or emotional ability.

ELL Resources

ELL Resources are designed to match the thematic focus, text structure, and writing form of the unit. They include two leveled texts and an extended oral project.

ELL Texts	Differentiated Text Levels	Skill and Standard Instruction
THE KISS	BEGINNING 590L 370 words INTERMEDIATE 820L 606 words ADVANCED 930L 622 words ADVANCED HIGH 1040L 730 words Use this text in place of, or as an extension to The Namesake	Sight Vocabulary and High-Frequency Words ELPS (4)(C) Using Prereading Supports ELPS (4)(D) Analyzing Expressions ELPS (1)(H) Developing Background Knowledge ELPS (4)(F) Pronouns and Antecedents ELPS (5)(D)
WELCOME TO AMERICA, MR. HARRIS	BEGINNING 800L 649 words INTERMEDIATE 900L 672 words ADVANCED 960L 705 words ADVANCED HIGH 1010L 709 words Use this text in place of, or as an extension to By Any Other Name	• Classroom Vocabulary ELPS (2)(C), ELPS (3)(D) • Environmental Print ELPS (4)(C) • Language Structures ELPS (4)(C), ELPS (4)(F) • Main Ideas and Details ELPS (4)(I) • Spelling Patterns and Rules ELPS (3)(E)
EXTENDED ORAL PROJECT INTRODUCTION	In this Extended Oral Project, students write and perform a dramatic scene. This may be assigned in place of this unit's EWP.	•Acquiring Vocabulary ELPS (1)(C) •Sentence Lengths ELPS (3)(C), ELPS (5)(F)



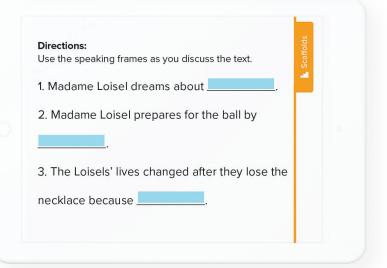


Automatic scaffolds appear for students at the press of a button.



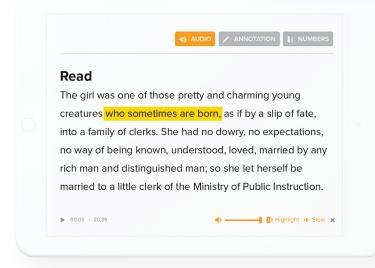
Visual Glossary and Spanish Cognates

Visual glossaries allow ELL students to access a text along with their proficient peers.



Speaking and Sentence Frames

Speaking and sentence frames help ELL students with class discussion.



Audio with Variable Speed and Text Highlight

Text phrases highlight while the audio plays. Students and teachers can reduce the rate a text is read by up to 25% with no loss of resolution.

ACCESS FOR ALL

Students with Different Abilities

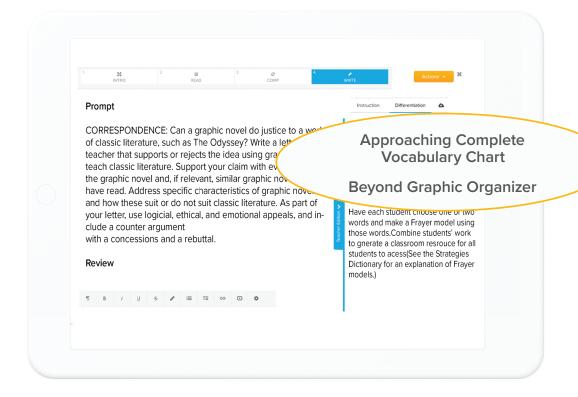
Texas StudySync offers a variety of accessibility options, presentation customization options, content accommodation and modification, and instructional strategies to address the needs of students with different abilities **compliant with WCAG version 2.0 AA guidelines.**

- Student content is interoperable with standard screen readers.
- The digital subscription provides a high-contrast option and uses visual clues in addition to colors to convey information.
- ✓ The student subscription can be used with keystrokes or voice commands for students who are unable to use a mouse.

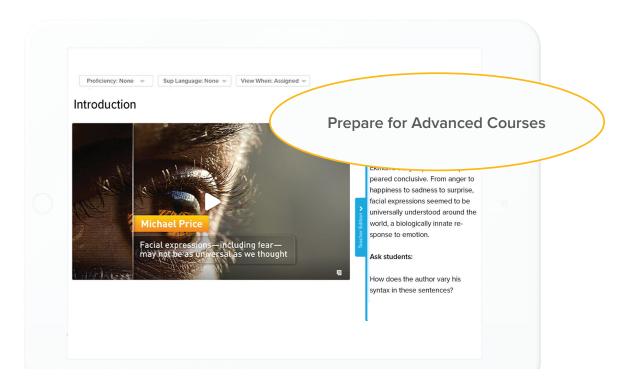




Approaching and Beyond Grade-Level Learners



Prepare for Advanced Courses gives Beyond grade-level learners additional extension activities.

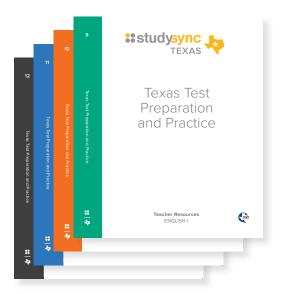


DATA-DRIVEN ASSESSMENT

Gauge progress and inform instruction as students prepare for high-stakes testing.







Instructions for Student
Reread paragraphs 58–72 of the story. Then answer the multiple-choice questions that follow.

From "The Necklace" by Guy de Maupassant:

58 It took them to their dwelling in the Rue des Martyrs, and sadly they mounted the stairs to their flat.

All was ended for her. As to him, he reflected that he must be at the ministry at ten o'clock that morning.

59 She removed her wraps before the glass so as to see herself once more in all her glory.

But suddenly she uttered a cry. She no longer had the necklace around her neck!

1. What is what the main ironic event in paragraphs 58 and 59?

A The Loisels arrive home in a cab and are sad to to be back.

B. Madame Loisel looks in the mirror, wanting to admire herself one last time, but is surprised to discover that the necklace is gone.

C. Madame Loisel is deeply disappointed to go home, but her husband is relieved.

D. Despite wanting to go to the ball, Madame Loisel tired of the attention she received and is glad to arrive home.

Test Preparation and Practice

Instruction and
Formative Assessment



Benchmark Assessments and End-of-Unit Assessment

Screening and Diagnostic Resources

FLEXIBLE IMPLEMENTATION

Choose Your Delivery

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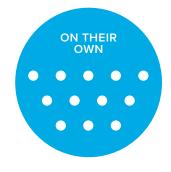


Choose Your Classroom Setup

Grouping suggestions in every lesson plan helps students collaborate and practice independently.







ACTIVITY	WHOLE GROUP	PAIRS OR SMALL GROUPS	ON THEIR OWN
Complete Vocabulary Chart			✓
Complete Skill Focus		✓	✓
Writer's Notebook			✓
Watch and Discuss StudySync®TV	✓		
Collaborative Conversation		✓	
Review Prompt and Rubric	✓		✓
(Optional) Prewrite with Graphic Organizer			✓
Peer Review and Reflect			✓
(Optional) Connect to Extended Writing Project	✓		
(Optional) Beyond the Book	✓		

STUDYSYNC IN YOUR CLASSROOM

Preview examples of how Texas StudySync can fit into your classroom schedule.

Skill Lesson

Students revisit the text to learn how to analyze genre and structural characteristics of a text.

MINUTES

Introduce the TEKS-aligned reading skill to your students and activate their prior knowledge.

StudySync Resources:

- · Concept Definition Videos
- · Concept Definitions
- · Vocabulary Practice

Learning Scaffold: visual vocabulary



MINCHE

Teach the steps for analyzing literature focused on a TEKS-aligned skill.

StudySync Resources:

Student-facing checklists for literary analysis

Learning Scaffold: annotation guide



O MINUTES

Model literary analysis with expert thinking and short, complex passages from the reading.

StudySync Resources:

- Visual Skill Models for literary analysis
- Suggestions for Guided Practice

Learning Scaffold: speaking frames



MINUTES

Transition students to answer multiple-choice questions with a new passage of the same text for a quick check for understanding.

StudySync Resources:

· Text Talk discussion questions

Learning Scaffold: Your Turn Questions



OMEWORK

Give students a jump-start on tomorrow's close reading with a reflective writing assignment connected to the Unit's essential question.

StudySync Resources:

· Close Read Writer's Notebook activities

Learning Scaffold: differentiated writing prompt



Independent Read: Day 1



Students practice reading a complex text on their own and engage in collaborative activities with their peers. Independent Read lessons can be shorter, single-day lessons or stretched out over two days to include a range of student-led conversations and reflective writing.

Engage and excite students in today's reading. StudySync Resources:

- · Movie trailer-like Preview Videos
- Text Introduction
- Discussion questions

Learning Scaffold: speaking frames



Ground students in the context of the text to activate their background knowledge.

StudySync Resources:

- Entry Point mini-lectures
- Developing Background Knowledge, Cultural Awareness, and Social and Emotional Learning Activities

Learning Scaffold: annotation guide and suggestions for small group differentiated instruction



Circulate as students independently read and annotate the text with the goal of comprehension. Meet with small groups as needed, including English Learners and students with special needs.

StudySync Resources:

- · Annotation guide
- Check for Success strategies
- Suggestions for small group differentiation

Learning Scaffold: native language summaries, visual glossary, and EL text synopsis



Keeping the Unit's literary focus in mind, students free-write a response that connects what they've learned from their reading to the relevant literary period or movement.

StudySync Resources:

- Writer's Notebook activity
- Suggestions for small group differentiation

Learning Scaffold: suggestions for oral practice and pantomime activities for English Learners



For continued practice and to assess students' understanding of the reading, choose from a variety of formative assessment options that can be completed at home.

StudySync Resources:

- Selection quiz (Reading Comprehension questions)
- Think Questions (short, written responses)

Learning Scaffold: ability to modify the number of questions you assign and fillable sentence frames





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