Merrimack School District Essential Learning Competencies

School	MMS
Discipline	ELA
Course Title	Grade 7

Quarter 1/Quarter 2

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Essential Learning Competencies	Links to the Rubrics/Standards/Competency	Formative Assessments (optional)	Summative Assessments		
1. Students can refer to the text to find several examples to support their thoughts and inferences about a story.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.7.1	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small and large group discussions Paragraph writing Entrance/Exit slips 	• Individual analysis of a select narrative (short story/novel)		
2. Student can use details from the text to determine the theme or message of a story and give an unbiased summary of a story.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.7.2	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small/large group discussions Paragraph writing Entrance/Exit slips 	• Individual analysis of a select narrative (short story/novel)		
3. Students can explain how the elements of a story work together.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.7.3	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small/large group discussions Completion of plot diagrams Paragraph writing Quiz Entrance/Exit slips 	• Individual analysis of a select narrative (short story/novel)		
4. Students can write narrative stories with good technique, appropriate detailed descriptions and logical sequences.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.3 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.3.a CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.3.c	 Journal writing Monitoring student progress through phases of writing process Peer and/or teacher conferencing 	Students will write a fictional or non-fictional narrative		

5. Students can effectively participate in different types of discussions and with different people about 7 th grade topics, texts, and issues.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.7.1 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.7.1.a	•	Small/large group discussions (live or online discussion boards) Peer and/or teacher conferencing (live or via Microsoft Comments)	•	Monitored throughout the quarter
6. Students can identify the differences between simple, compound, complex and compound sentences and know when to use the different sentence types to clarify ideas.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.7.1 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.7.1.b	•	Daily practice Entrance/Exit slips Peer editing/teacher conferencing (revising)	•	Students will write a fictional or non-fictional narrative

Quarter 3/Quarter 4

Essential Learning Competencies	Links to the Rubrics/Standards/Competency	Formative Assessments (options)	Summative Assessments
1. Students can refer to the text several times to support their thoughts and inferences about a piece of informational text.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.7.1	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small and large group discussions Paragraph writing Entrance/Exit slips 	Individual analysis of a select informational text
2. Students can explain and discuss how individuals, event, and ideas interact with each other in a text. and give an unbiased summary of a piece of informational text.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.7.2 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.7.3	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small and large group discussions Paragraph writing Entrance/Exit slips 	Individual analysis of a select informational text
3. Students can explain how an author organizes a piece of informational text to develop ideas and analyze how each major section contributes to the entire text.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.7.5	 Reading comprehension questions (short answer/constructed response) Small and large group discussions Paragraph writing Entrance/Exit slips 	Individual analysis of a select informational text
4.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.2 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.2.a	Note-taking	• Students will write an

Students can write organized and informative pieces, with relevant content, to explore a topic and express ideas, concepts, and information.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.2.b	 Responses to informal informational writing prompts Monitoring student progress through phases of writing process Peer and/or teacher conferencing 	expository/infor mational piece of writing
5. Students can give an effective presentation that makes claims using relevant descriptions, facts, details, and examples.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.7.4	 View/analyze multimedia presentations and identify strengths/weaknesse s Small/large group discussion 	Students will present their expository/infor mational writing piece
6. Students can show that they know how to write sentences accurately.	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.7.2	 Daily practice Entrance/Exit slips Peer editing/teacher conferencing (revising) 	Students will write an expository/infor mational piece of writing