

Grade 9 Context and Unit Grid – Semester One

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Unit Titles	All That I Am – The Search for Self (Personal and Philosophical; multigenre thematic)	Indigenous and Norse Narratives (Model Unit) (Imaginative and Literary; Communicative; author/genre study) Note: For more suggested learning resources, please refer to this model unit in the curriculum.	Conflicts, Issues, and Choices – Doing the Right Thing (Model Unit) (Social, Cultural, and Historical; multigenre inquiry and interdisciplinary)
Short Stories	Acceptance (CR) Borders (CR) The Canyon (LI - Don't Label Me!) Fractures: Family Stories The Girl Who Couldn't See Herself (Futures, The Issues Collection) Golden Girl (SL) How to Tell Renata (SL) The Jade Peony (CR)(SL) Kath and Mouse (CR) Long, Long after School (SL) On the Sidewalk Bleeding (CR) A Petty Crime (LI - Looking for Me?) The Taste of Melon (SL)	The Children of Odin: The Book of Norse Myths Coyote and the Fish Dam (MV) Creation: The Nine Worlds The Death of Baldur (MV) Did You Hear? (LI - Out Loud) Don't Stick Out Your Tongue! And Other Rules of Good Body Language (LI - Out Loud) Hockey As You've Never Seen It (LI - Out Loud) Mythic Voices: Reflections in Mythology Running Eagle: Woman Warrior of the Blackfeet (VS) Stories in Rhythm (LI - Out Loud) Tales of the Norse Gods Tell Me a Tale Telling Tales: Storytelling in the Family That Wascawwy Wabbit: Bugs Bunny as Trickster (CR) Thor's Visit to Utgard (MV) The Top 10 Sport Cliches to Avoid (LI - Out Loud) Traditional Ways (KS) Voices through the Ages (VS) Wesakechak and the Geese (MV) What's Your Eli? (LI - Out Loud) "You Can Lead an Elephant to a Treadmill but You Can't Make Her Walk" (LI - Out Loud)	And the Lucky Winner Is ... (CR) Babysitting Helen (CR) Excerpt from Rapid Ray: The Story of Ray Lewis The Long Journey (CR) Montreal 1962 (SL) Take the Stairs The Taste of Melon (SL) The Time of the Wolves (SL)
Essays	Bodies Under Construction: Teen Cosmetic Surgery (LI - Looking for Me?) Brave New World – Same Old Stereotypes? (LI - Don't Label Me!) Commercial (SL) Do What You Love (LI - Looking for Me?)	How Rocks Were Born (SL) Tlingit National Anthem (SL)	Are We Raising Morally Illiterate Kids? (VI) Challenges (VI) Consorting with Frogs (CR) Desperate Measures (SL) Digital Bullies (SL) Focus on Positive Key to Contentment (FI) Halting Hatred (CR)

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Essays (continued)	<p>The Dream (SL) Falling in Line: The Power of Birth Order (LI - Looking for Me?) Fans of Heavy Metal and Classical Music Have a Lot in Common, Study Finds (LI - Looking for Me?) Flying High: The Sky Is No Limit for Pilot Jessica Cox (LI - Looking for Me?) The Game (SL) Girl Tough (LI - Looking for Me?) Going Back Home (CR) Homer Simpson – Harmless and Dumb: Dad or Dangerous Stereotype (LI - Don't Label Me!) I Live in a Language That's Not Mine (SL) I Was a Teenage Ingénue (SL) I'm Tired of Skaters Getting a Bad Rap (LI - Don't Label Me!) Is Labelling a Big Deal? (LI - Don't Label Me!) Living Life to the Max (SL) Memoir (LI - Looking for Me?) Mystery of Mysteries (CR) One-armed TV Host (LI - Don't Label Me!) Our Appearance (SL) Twin Study (LI - Looking for Me?) Untitles (LI - Don't Label Me!) We are Where We Live (LI - Looking for Me?) Wearing My Faith (LI - Don't Label Me!) What Is Identity? (LI - Looking for Me?)</p>		<p>Recollections (ID) Save South Moresby! (CR) Signposts on the Journey (CR) Small Mercies: A Boy after War (SL) Struggle Against Injustice (ID) Warriors Don't Cry (ID)</p>
Novels	<p>Before Wings Being with Henry Blood Brothers Cowboys Don't Cry Digging for Philip: A Novel A Drop of Rain Hitting the Road The Outsiders Shakespeare Bats Cleanup A Singing Bird Will Come: Naomi in Hong Kong Shoulder the Sky Theories of Relativity Will's Garden</p> <p>Also see Teacher's Guide, CR, p. 3</p>	<p>Daughter of the Wind Excerpt from Dead in the Water (LI - Out Loud) Excerpt from House Party (LI - Out Loud) Excerpt from Middle Row (LI - Out Loud) Excerpt from the Blue Helmet (LI - Out Loud) The Loki Wolf</p>	<p>The Alchemist's Daughter The Breadwinner Clearcut Danger The Losers' Club No Time to Say Goodbye: Children's Stories of Kuper Island Residential School One on One Overdrive Parvana's Journey The Pigman Sea Chase Shattered The Sign of the Scales Sword of the Rightful King Trial by Fire White Girl White Midnight</p> <p>Also see Teacher's Guide, CR, p. 253</p>

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Full-length Non-fiction		The Soul Would Have No Rainbow	Margaret Bourke-White: Her Pictures Were Her Life A Night to Remember See Teacher's Guide, CR, p. 253
Lyrics	And I Remember (CR) Crosswords (SL) For Heidi with Blue Hair (ID) From Soda Jerk (CR) In Praise of Dreams (SL) Kyle (LI - Looking for Me?) Our Appearance (SL) Pet Name (LI - Don't Label Me!) The Road Not Taken (CR) Same Song (LI - Don't Label Me!) School Report (ID) Seven Habits to Highly Effective Teen (LI - Looking for Me?) Someone Who Used to Have Someone (SL) To Christine (SL) To My Son (SL) Two Prisoners (SL) Wanted: Someone Who Cares (CR) Who Am I? (CR)	Causes of the Dream Wheel Haiku (LI - Out Loud) Loud Poem (LI - Out Loud) My Heart Is in My Throat (LI - Out Loud) Paint Me (LI - Out Loud) Spoken Poetry (LI - Out Loud) Tales from Here and There Topic 1: Introductions (LI - Out Loud) Totally Like Whatever You Know? (LI - Out Loud)	Aleutian Sparrow Birdfoot's Grampa (CR) Crosswords (SL) Equal Opportunity (SL) The Execution (SL) Granny Clover's Dream (SL) How Feel I Do? (ID) If I Can Stop One Heart from Breaking (CR) If You Think (ID) In Service (SL) Isolated Incident (VI) Looking Back (SL) My Father Hurting (ID) Remember (ID) Shoes (CR) Tires Stacked in the Hallways of Civilization (ID)
Narratives	Anonymous 15 (LI - Looking for Me?) Mom (LI - Looking for Me?) A Raven Tale (LI - Looking for Me?) Still Me Inside (LI - Don't Label Me!)	Beowulf How to Plant a Legend (LI - Get Real!)	The Highwayman (SL) Jesse James
Other (e.g., songs)		Using Your Voice to Get Even: United Breaks Guitars (LI - Out Loud!) What Did You Just Say?: Why We Often Mishear Song Lyrics (LI - Out Loud)	
One-act Plays	The Brute (SL) Tell Me Another Story, Sing Me a Song (NP)		The Fighting Days (SL) The Last Leaf (CR) The Open Window (SL)
Full-length Plays			King Arthur and His Knights (NP)
Other (e.g., TV or film script)	Comments on "Where are You From?" (LI - Don't Label Me!) Injins Among Us (LI - Don't Label Me!) Responses for Resistance (LI - Don't Label Me!)	Against All Odds (LI - Out Loud) "I'm Deeply Sorry ..." (LI - Out Loud) Speaking to the World (LI - Out Loud) Stage Fright: Beat the Jitters (LI - Out Loud) What Should a Skateboard Interview Be? Wade Fyfe: Smiks for Miiks (LI - Out Loud)	

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Photographs and Other Visuals Including Picture Books	Eggs in Egg Crate (SL) Hurdles (LI - Don't Label Me!) Message in a Bottle (LI - Don't Label Me!) Messages are Everywhere (SL) Myself (SL) Red Maple Leaves (LI - Looking for Me) The Schoolyard (SL) Snow White Rewrite (LI - Don't Label Me!) The Vanishing Trace (LI - Looking for Me) What's Wrong with Video Games? (LI - Don't Label Me!)	Mother Goose and Grimm (LI - Out Loud) Parlour Scene (SL) Transformation Mask (SL)	The Conservationist (SL) Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood
Posters, Advertisements, and Billboards	Double Take (LI - Don't Label Me!) Seven Things You Can Do to Address Whiten Your Teeth, Brighten Your Smile (LI - Looking for Me?)		
DVDs		Constellation Myths	
Human Resources (e.g., guest speaker)			
Digital			www.envirolink.org/

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Unit titles	Exploring Love, Loyalty, and Relationships: (Model Unit) (Personal and Philosophical; Social, Cultural and Historical; multigenre thematic) Note: For more suggested learning resources, please refer to this model unit in the curriculum.	Surviving and Conquering (Social, Cultural, and Historical; Personal and Philosophical; Environmental and Technological; multigenre thematic)	Looking Beyond – Imagining New Worlds and The Future (Imaginative and Literary; Environmental and Technological; multigenre thematic)
Short Stories	Fractures: Family Stories (SL) Golden Girl (SL) On the Sidewalk Bleeding (CR) Savitri and Satyayan (CR) Sir Gawain and the Loathly Lady (SL) Telephone Romance (FI)	Bus Stop (CR) Coffee, Snacks, Worms (CR) Dialogue Behind a Curtain (OE) Encounters of the Old Kind (OE) G. Trueheart, Man's Best Friend (CR) A Hell of a Story (OE) Heroic Stories If Cornered, Scream (OE) In the Silence (SL) Just Lather, That's All (OE) The Leaving (CR) Lot 87 (OE) The Magic Millstones: Why the Sea Is Salt (CR) The Most Dangerous Game (OE) On the Sidewalk Bleeding (CR) Sophie, 1990 (SL) A Sunrise on the Veld (CR) Thank you, Ma'am (CR) The Wish (OE)	The Boy with Five Fingers (FI) The Choice (CR) The Curio Shop (SL) The Day the Martian Landed (CR) The Flying Machine (TT) The Fun They Had (TT) A Glowing Future: Cleaning Up the Last Frontier (OC) A Major Malfunction (CR) Moon Maiden (CR) No Renewal (SL) Save the Moon for Kerdy Dickus (SL) Sentry (SL) User Friends (SL) What If ...?: Amazing Stories
Essays	A Journey into Adolescence (ID) Understanding Romeo (ID)	The Dream (SL) Dreamworld (SL) Digital Bullies (SL) Flames on the Water (OE) Halting Hatred (CR) Hijacked (OE) Madeleine (OE) Montreal, 1962 (SL) Ordeal in the Arctic (OE) Signposts on the Journey (CR) Small Mercies: A Boy after War (SL) What Happened During the Ice Storm (SL) Where's Sommy? The Cyber-stalker Dodges His Hi-tech Pursuers (SL)	Designing a City for Mars (TT) Driving into the Future (TT) Epilogue: "Back" to the Future (TT) Fantastic Voyages (FI) The Future of Sleep (ID) Hello, Out There!: The New Science of Astrobiology (SL) Hopes and Expectations: How Teenagers View the Future (FI) Hot Art Heats Home (ID) Learning for Life (FI) Learning in Cyberspace (ID) Living to 100 (Mahoney)(SL) Machine Mad (FI) Mythbusters Car Capers (LI - Get Real!) Old Age in New Times (ID) Radical Robots (Garrett)(CR) Random Facts to Chew On (LI - Get Real!) Techno-marvels (TT) Undersea Science (CR) Voice Mail and the Mating Ritual (SL) Who's Out There (CR)

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Novels	A Beautiful Place on Yonge Street Bound An Earthly Knight The Finder King of Shadows Last Sam's Cage Pegeen and the Pilgrim The River Between Us Romiette and Julio Topher Wendy	The Blue Roan Child Call It Courage Charlie Wilcox Charlie Wilcox's Great War Everest Trilogy The Greenies Kit's Wilderness The Lady at Batoche Soldier Boys Messenger Sister to the Wolf Will's New World	The City of Ember The Dirt Eaters The Finder The Fire-Eaters Flux Gathering Blue Inkheart The People of Sparks The Last Book in the Universe Phoenix Rising Stravaganza: City of Stars The Watcher
Full-length Non-fiction	Introducing Shakespeare	The Climb: Tragic Ambitions on Everest Ice Story: Shackleton's Lost Expedition Into Thin Air Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World: The Extraordinary True Story of Shackleton and the Endurance Touching My Father's Soul	
Lyrics	Acceptance (CR) All (SL) Anchorage (SS) Crosswords (SL) Instructions to My Mother (SL) The Masks of Love (SL) Real Love (IT) Two Friends (webdelsol.com/ignatow) What Colour Is Love? (Poetry Express)	Crosswords (SL) In Praise of Dreams (SL) Introduction to Poetry (ID) On the Brink of Danger (OE) Shoes (CR) Two Prisoners (SL) Walking Through a Wall (SL) World's Shortest Pessimistic Poem (ID)	The Armies of the Moon (SL) Fueled (CR) New Terra (SL) Portrait of a Machine (TT) Shooting the Sun (CR) Visions of the Future (OS)
Narratives	The Highwayman (SL) The Shooting of Dan McGrew (OE)	Aleutian Sparrow The Jam on Gerry's Rock The Shooting of Dan McGrew (OE)	
Other (e.g., songs)			
One-act Plays	The Brute (SL)	The Fighting Days (SL)	
Full-length Plays	Romeo and Juliet (ID) A Midsummer Night's Dream		Eight Science Fiction Plays
Other (e.g., TV or film script)	Introducing Shakespeare		The Trouble with Tribbles (SL) Was Balloon Bay Drama Staged? (LI - Get Real!)
Photographs and Other Visuals Including Picture Books	Messages are Everywhere (SL)	The Child, The Future (SL)	The Child, the Future (SL) Messages are Everywhere (SL) Photos: Real or Fake? (LI - Get Real!) Scammed!: The Notorious Case of the Hitler Diaries (LI - Get Real!) Welcome to Cyberspace (SL)