



Middle School
Trimester 3 Study Guide – 2017/2018
Grade 8

English Language Arts

Elements of Literature:

- Plot and conflict
- Characters and Point of View
- Setting and Mood
- Theme and Symbol
- *Poetic Elements*

Reading Skills for literary texts:

- Comparing & Contrasting
- Making inferences
- Characterization (Direct and Indirect)
- Character's Motivations
- Character Traits
- Point of View (First Person/ Third Person Limited/ Third Person Omniscient)
- Different structures of the texts
- *Analyzing Poetry (i.e. Sound techniques, Figures of speech...)*

Literary Skills:

- Making Predictions
- Summarizing (Fiction/ Informational Text)
- Context Clues
- Visualizing setting
- Chronological Order
- Using Prior Knowledge
- Main Idea
- Creating suspense

Reading Skills for Informational Text

- Understanding cause and effect
- Drawing inferences, drawing conclusions, and making generalizations
- Identifying Scope
- Evaluate Sources for Usefulness

Writing Elements:

- Choosing a Topic (brainstorming- clustering-narrowing a topic)

- Locating, evaluating & citing sources
- Drafting/ Revising/ Editing and Proofreading
- Focusing on Word Choice
- Writing Sentences Correctly

Grammar & Mechanics:

- Kinds of Sentences
- Subjects and predicates
- Sentence & sentence fragments.
- Run- on sentences.
- Combining sentences using punctuation, conjunction, & pronouns
- Deleting unnecessary words.
- Varying sentences.
- Subject -Verb agreement
- Concrete nouns and vivid verbs
- Adjectives & Adverbs
- Comparative & Superlative
- Tenses
- Avoid Misplaced Modifiers
- Punctuation (Commas, semicolons, hyphens...)
- Capitalization
- Spelling
- Phrases
- Clauses
- Run on sentences

Vocabulary:

- Word solving strategies: inferences- synonyms & antonyms- Embedded definitions- context clues
- Vocabulary Words
- Language:
 1. Context Clues
 2. Vocabulary (Refer to Vocabulary in binder)
 3. Proofreading paragraphs
 4. Idioms
 5. Similes

Reading Material:

1. Poetry

- Literature book unit 5
- Willow and Gingko
- Introduction to Poetry
- The Road Not Taken

2. Revision/Practice Sheets

Math

Chapter / Sections	Topic	
Chapter:5	Triangles and the Pythagorean Theorem	
Lesson 1	Lines	
Lesson 3	Angles of Triangles	
Lesson 5	Pythagorean Theorem	
Lesson 6	Use the Pythagorean Theorem	
Lesson 7	Distance on the coordinate plane	
Chapter :6	Transformations	
Lesson 1	Translations	
Lesson 2	Reflections	
Chapter: 9	Scatter Plots	
Lesson 1	Scatter Plots	
Lesson 2	Lines of Best Fit	
Lesson 3	Two way Tables	
Study References		
Worksheets		
Quizzes		
Text Book		
Revision Sheets		

Science

Chapter	Section	Page
Chapter 3: Fishes, Amphibians, and Reptiles	Section 1: What is a Vertebrate?	80-83
	Section 2: Fishes	86-92
	Section 3: Amphibians	94-98
	Section 4: Reptiles	99-106
Chapter 4: Birds and Mammals	section 1: Birds	118-127
	Section 3: Mammals	132-140
Chapter 5: Animal Behavior	What is Behavior?	148-155
	Patterns of Behavior	156-165

English Social Studies

1. Human Rights:

I. Vocabulary:

(Check the Human Rights booklet for the definitions)

Abuse	Advocate	Assembly	Citizen	Copyright,
Court	Declaration	Democracy	Detained	Detainment
Dignity	Discriminate	Duty	Expression	Freedom
Government	Human Rights	Innocent	Judge	Judgment
Jury	Justice	Kangaroo Court	Law	Lawyer
Literate	Nationality	Pledge	Protocol	Shelter
Slavery	Social security	Torture	Trade Union	Trial
Try	United Nations	Violation	Wage	Social

2. Media Literacy:

I. Vocabulary:

(Check Media Literacy Handout for the definitions)

Media Literacy	Assumption	Stereotype
Misperception	Generalization	

II. Media Literacy Essay:

Important Note: Media Literacy Essay Assessment will be on Monday and/or Tuesday

✓ Guide:

Introduction: - What is Media? + Examples

- Introduce the media message:
 - .Type
 - .Date
 - .Explain the picture
 - .Purpose

Body 1: - Answer the questions under the background Information (In full sentences + Evidence)

Body 2: - Media Analysis: . What is Media Literacy?
. Answer the six questions in Full sentences + Evidence.

Conclusion: - Wrap Up
- State your opinion based on body 2

French

kindly note that trimester 3 exam will include all what we took in trimester 1 & 2

trimester 3 includes

1- le passe compose

2- le futur simple

3- le futur proche

4- les mots cles du present ,futur , passe compose

trimester 1& 2 includes

1- les verbes avoir , etre ,aller ,faire

2- les verbes du 1er groupe

- 3- les verbes du 2eme groupe
- 4- les mots interrogatifs
- 5- les articles definis
- 6- les articles indefinis
- 7- la negation
- 8- les feminins des adjectifs
- 9- les mois de l'annee
- 10- les jours de la semaine
- 11- les verbes qui se terminent par ger ,cer
- 12- les pronoms personnel sujet
- 13- les masculins et les feminins des adjectifs
- 14- les adjectifs possessifs