

Grade: Fourth Month: September/October Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Personal Narrative Assignment Explain what non-fiction is Generate story ideas Narrow a writing topic down Starting a rough draft Writing a lead/hook Adding & punctuation dialogue Adding details to their writing Word choice Show, don't tell - descriptive writing 	 Whole group discussions Brainstorming individually & in partners Write and edit a rough draft Peer editing Final draft 	 Personal narrative writing packet Mentor Texts for examples (included in the packet) 	 ODE Personal narrative rubric Formative assessments throughout the unit 	Personal Narrative writing packets are broken into 3 packets. Each lesson has a specific mentor text that gives examples for the day's learning. Personal Narrative <u>Packet #1</u> <u>Packet #2</u> <u>Packet #3</u>

 Transitions in writing Writing an ending Final edits and final draft 				
What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Haunted House For Sale Writing Brainstorming ideas Figurative & descriptive language Picking out important details Showing voice in your writing Final edit & final draft 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Real estate advertisements for lesson hook & brainstorming ideas 	Class presentation of finished project	 This assignment will go together with a watercolor painting of their haunted house Brainstorming Resource: Haunted House Assignment



Grade: Fourth

Month: November/December Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 So Thankful For writing assignment Brainstorming ideas Creating an outline focusing on 3 main paragraphs Figurative & descriptive language Write an intro & conclusion Final edit & final draft Work with a rubric 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Paper for brainstorming ideas 	• ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	This assignment will be shared with parents at conferences.

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Country Project Brainstorming ideas & researching potential 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions 	<u>Country Research</u> <u>Note Sheet</u>	 Class presentation of finished project <u>Country Project</u> <u>Rubric</u> 	 This assignment is the end of a unit project for our social studies unit on

countries.	 Fill out notes sheets using 		maps.
 Researching the chosen country. 	country research		• Student presentations begin
 Record sources for research material 	Creating a google slide project		in January
 Take notes on the country 	Editing		
in order to create a google slides project for presentation.	 Final draft for presentation for grade 		
Work with a rubric			

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 Lightbulbs of Kindness Focus on sentence structure and writing complete sentences Observe the world around them and put those observations into words on paper 	• Each day students will fill out a lightbulb writing about an experience the student experienced where they gave service or witnessed someone else giving service to others.	• <u>Lightbulbs of</u> <u>Kindness</u>	ODE 6 traits writing rubric - Specifically focusing on Sentence Fluency and Conventions	• This writing assignment will be displayed on 4th grade bulletin boards during the month of December



Grade: Fourth Content Area: ELA Month: January Sub Content: Writing

<i>What our students will know and be able to do</i>	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 * Novel Group Writing Project* Summarize important parts of their novel. Describe characters and their traits Write an opinion on their book Would they recommend the book to someone else? Why or why not? 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Assigned novels Novel comprehension packets 	• ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	This project crosswalks with comprehension scope & sequence



Grade: Fourth

Month: February/March Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Informational Essay Explain/understand what an informational essay is Generate topic ideas Research & learn new facts on their topic Create subtopics Learn & practice how to paraphrase information Work on note taking Starting a rough draft Write a lead with a hook Include citations, specific vocabulary, details and transitions Writing conclusion Final edits and final draft 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Practice identifying informational essays by playing a task card game Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Informational Lesson Plans Mentor Texts Student Printables 	 ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric Informational Rubric 	



Grade: Fourth Content Area: ELA

Month: March / April

Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Biography Project Learn how to take notes while reading. Learn how to do a close reading on a source while looking for information Dive into different information such as character traits, accomplishments, and inspiration Create two projects using the information from their notes (taken while reading through their source) The two projects include a Google slides project as well as a Bio Box Rough draft and editing 	 Close reading of sources Analyzing and answering questions about sources Note taking based on given writing task Creating a rough draft for Google slides project Peer editing Final draft and presentation of Google slides project 	 Biography Slides Project Bio Box Biography Research Notes 	 ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric Biography Rubric 	This project crosswalks with comprehension scope & sequence

of Google slides project		
 Final draft and presentation of slides project 		



Grade: Fourth

Month: April Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Practice Writing Performance Task Understand a writing performance task in preparation for state testing Learn how to do a close reading on sources Take notes from sources focusing on paragraphs, main ideas of individual paragraphs, and supporting details of main ideas Create a venn diagram to compare and contrast two topics Write a paper on a given topic based on sources and notes Rough draft and editing 	 Whole group brainstorming sessions Close reading of sources Analyzing and answering questions about sources Note taking based on given writing task Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft 	Performance task sources and note taking worksheets	ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	This writing project will take place in the weeks before our state testing to help prepare students for the ELA performance task

Final draft		



Grade: Fourth Content Area: ELA

Month: April Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Opinion Essay Explain/understand what an opinion essay is Write a paper based on a given topic Be able to clearly state their opinion Research & learn new facts on their topic Learn & practice how to paraphrase information Work on note taking Starting a rough draft Write a lead with a hook Include citations, specific vocabulary, details and transitions Writing conclusion 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Variety of opinion topics for students to choose from 	ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	For the 2022-2023 school year, students had to write their opinion paper based on "The Great Grave Robbing Debate." This fit in with our Titanic unit. Should we restore/conserve artifacts from the Titanic, or should we leave them alone.

• Final edits and final draft		



Grade: Fourth

Month: April / May Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Animal Research Essay Choose an animal from the Oregon Zoo after doing some brief research to help guide their choice Research & learn new facts on their animal Create subtopics that are appropriate to the project Learn & practice how to paraphrase information Work on note taking Starting a rough draft Write a lead with a hook Include citations, specific vocabulary, details and transitions Writing conclusion 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade Use research information to create an animal lapbook as part of their project presentation 	 Animal Research Report Animal Report Lapbook 	ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	This assignment is in preparation for our trip to the Oregon Zoo

• Final edits and final draft		



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Month: May Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Wax Museum Project Choose a person from our Medieval Europe unit to research and prepare a speech about their life Research & learn about their chosen person Work on note taking Create a piece of writing from telling about their person's life from their person's perspective Write a piece that conveys their understanding of what they learned in the unit Starting a rough draft Final edits and final draft 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade Present information in our wax museum to the school's student population as well as their parents and other family members 	Medieval Europe Textbook - used to gain most of their information for their task.	 ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric ODE Speaking Rubric 	 This assignment is the end of a unit project for our social studies unit on Medieval Europe



Grade: Fourth Content Area: ELA

Month: May

Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 National Parks Slides Project Choose a national park after doing some brief research to help guide their choice Research & learn all about their national park Create a slides project presenting their research information 	 Research their national park Use research information to create a google slides presentation to share 	National Parks <u>Research Project</u> (includes pages for note taking)	 National Parks <u>Rubric</u> is on page 37 of the packet National Parks <u>Slides Project</u> <u>Rubric</u> 	 This assignment is the end of unit project for our unit on National Parks



Grade: Fourth

Month: May / June

Content Area: ELA

Sub Content: Writing

<i>What our students will know and be able to do</i>	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 Opinion Essay Student Chosen Topic Be able to clearly state their opinion Research & learn new facts on their topic Learn & practice how to paraphrase information Work on note taking Starting a rough draft Write a lead with a hook Include citations, specific vocabulary, details and transitions Writing conclusion 	 Whole group & individual brainstorming sessions Creating a rough draft Peer editing Final draft for presentation for grade 	 Variety of example essays to help students with the different steps of writing an opinion essay 	• ODE 6 Traits Writing Rubric	

 Final edits and final draft 		



Grade: Fourth

Month: June Content Area: ELA Sub Content: Writing

What our students will know and be able to do	Learning Activities	Materials	Assessment tools	Notes
 <u>The Mysteries of Harris</u> <u>Burdick</u> Creative Writing Project Choose a "Harris Burdick" picture to use as the inspiration for their creative writing Write a short story based on the picture they chose 	• Fun creative writing	 The book <u>The</u> <u>Mysteries of Harris</u> <u>Burdick</u> by Chris Van Allsburg 	 This fun, end of year project is not assessed 	This project crosswalks with comprehension scope & sequence