

## Grade 6 Language Arts – MS/Block

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This tablet-ready course equips students with the essential language arts skills needed throughout their academic careers. Students read and analyze a variety of informational and fictional texts. Instruction and reading strategies accompany reading selections to help engage students in the text and sharpen their comprehension. Students express their ideas and knowledge using standard (formal) English in written and oral assignments. Writing expressive, analytical, and procedural compositions helps students develop communication skills necessary in today's world. Vocabulary is taught explicitly and through an array of vocabulary acquisition strategies that give students the tools to independently increase their vocabulary. Students study grammar, usage, and mechanics; and practice sentence analysis, sentence structure, and proper punctuation. Portfolios created by students provide a platform for them to set goals, monitor their progress, and reflect on their accomplishments and challenges. The course includes discussion activities that engage students in the curriculum while creating a sense of community. This course meets Common Core State Standards.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

- Read, explore, and analyze literary and informational texts
- Evaluate information from different mediums
- Write analytical and narrative pieces
- Conduct research
- Listen critically and speak effectively
- Collaborate and present information
- Participate in discussions
- Use correct English when writing and speaking
- Apply reading comprehension strategies
- Apply strategies to understand difficult vocabulary
- Apply tools like graphic organizers, checklists and rubrics to reading and writing tasks
- Set goals, self-monitor progress, and reflect on progress

**PREREQUISITES:** Language Arts Grade 5 or equivalent

**COURSE LENGTH:** Two Semesters

**[REQUIRED MATERIALS LIST – Semester A](#)**

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**COURSE OUTLINE:**

**Module 1: Lesson Learned**

- Lesson 1: Lesson Learned
- Lesson 2: Literature Study 1
- Lesson 3: Rewards
- Lesson 4: Literature Study 2
- Lesson 5: Writing Workshop 1
- Lesson 6: Transformation
- Lesson 7: Literature Study 3
- Lesson 8: Greed
- Lesson 9: Writing Workshop 2
- Lesson 10: Priceless
- Lesson 11: Art and Life
- Lesson 12: Greediness
- Lesson 13: Aesop's Life
- Lesson 14: Vanity
- Lesson 15: Writing Workshop 3
- Lesson 16: Literature Study 4
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

**Module 2: Animals and Their People**

- Lesson 1: Animals and Their People
- Lesson 2: Survival
- Lesson 3: Snakes!
- Lesson 4: Literature Study 5
- Lesson 5: Abandonment
- Lesson 6: Compare and Contrast
- Lesson 7: Evolution
- Lesson 8: Literature Study 6
- Lesson 9: Wordplay 1
- Lesson 10: Writing Workshop 4
- Lesson 11: Refuge

- Lesson 12: Literature Study 7
- Lesson 13: Literature Study 8
- Lesson 14: Contrast
- Lesson 15: Heroism
- Lesson 16: Literature Study 9
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

### **Module 3: Animal Intelligence**

- Lesson 1: Animal Intelligence
- Lesson 2: Informational Text
- Lesson 3: Dog IQ
- Lesson 4: Unruly Gulls
- Lesson 5: Think Tank
- Lesson 6: Bear Crazy
- Lesson 7: Notetaking Skills
- Lesson 8: Research Review
- Lesson 9: Putting It Together
- Lesson 10: Writing Workshop 5
- Lesson 11: Citing Your Sources
- Lesson 12: Synthesize It!
- Lesson 13: Be Heard
- Lesson 14: Writing Workshop 6
- Lesson 15: Presentation
- Lesson 16: Creativity
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

### **Module 4: Quests**

- Lesson 1: Quests
- Lesson 2: Boldness
- Lesson 3: Literature Study 10
- Lesson 4: Determination
- Lesson 5: Literature Study 11

- Lesson 6: Problems and Solutions
- Lesson 7: Writing Workshop 7
- Lesson 8: Stereotypes
- Lesson 9: Conflict
- Lesson 10: Into the Unknown
- Lesson 11: Literature Study 12
- Lesson 12: Literature Study 13
- Lesson 13: Selflessness
- Lesson 14: Love
- Lesson 15: Listening
- Lesson 16: Friendship
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

#### **Module 5: Timeless Classics**

- Lesson 1: Timeless Classics
- Lesson 2: The Law of the Jungle
- Lesson 3: Literature Study 14
- Lesson 4: Allegiance
- Lesson 5: Literature Study 15
- Lesson 6: Awe
- Lesson 7: Wordplay 2
- Lesson 8: The Art of Persuasion
- Lesson 9: The Impact of Media
- Lesson 10: Riddles
- Lesson 11: Nonsense
- Lesson 12: Writing Workshop 8
- Lesson 13: Parody
- Lesson 14: Pitch Your Product
- Lesson 15: It's a Crazy World
- Lesson 16: Module Review
- Lesson 17: Module Exam
- Lesson 18: Portfolio

**Module 6: Influential People**

- Lesson 1: Influential People
- Lesson 2: Literature Study 1
- Lesson 3: Genius
- Lesson 4: Writing Workshop 1
- Lesson 5: Unique Beauty
- Lesson 6: Excellence
- Lesson 7: Controversy
- Lesson 8: Innovation
- Lesson 9: Wordplay 1
- Lesson 10: Prejudice
- Lesson 11: Equality
- Lesson 12: Share Your Story
- Lesson 13: Writing Workshop 2
- Lesson 14: Paint a Picture
- Lesson 15: Writing Workshop 3
- Lesson 16: Writing Workshop 4
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

**Module 7: Secrets**

- Lesson 1: Secrets
- Lesson 2: A Peculiar Child
- Lesson 3: Loneliness
- Lesson 4: Spring
- Lesson 5: A Bit of Earth
- Lesson 6: Literature Study 2
- Lesson 7: Encounters
- Lesson 8: Anguish and Hope
- Lesson 9: Friendship
- Lesson 10: Magic
- Lesson 11: Secrets Revealed
- Lesson 12: Book Review
- Lesson 13: Research the Author

- Lesson 14: Sum It Up
- Lesson 15: Organize Your Information
- Lesson 16: Writing Workshop 5
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

### **Module 8: The Milk of Human Kindness**

- Lesson 1: The Milk of Human Kindness
- Lesson 2: Be Prepared
- Lesson 3: Desire
- Lesson 4: Compassion
- Lesson 5: Desperation
- Lesson 6: Acceptance
- Lesson 7: Mercy
- Lesson 8: Literature Study 3
- Lesson 9: Outsiders
- Lesson 10: Neighbors
- Lesson 11: Wordplay 2
- Lesson 12: Being Human
- Lesson 13: Pattern of Organization
- Lesson 14: Getting Organized
- Lesson 15: Prepare to Write
- Lesson 16: Writing Workshop 6
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

### **Module 9: Poetry and Persuasion**

- Lesson 1: Poetry and Persuasion
- Lesson 2: Persuasion
- Lesson 3: It's Only Logical
- Lesson 4: Show Me the Evidence
- Lesson 5: The Opposing Point
- Lesson 6: Gather Your Information
- Lesson 7: Writing Road Map

- Lesson 8: Writing Workshop 7
- Lesson 9: Wordplay 3
- Lesson 10: Poetry
- Lesson 11: Seventeen Syllables
- Lesson 12: Seasons
- Lesson 13: Nature's Beauty
- Lesson 14: Gibberish and Hype
- Lesson 15: We Love Oysters!
- Lesson 16: Songs in Poetry
- Lesson 17: Module Review
- Lesson 18: Module Exam

#### **Module 10: Directions and Drama**

- Lesson 1: Directions and Drama
- Lesson 2: How To
- Lesson 3: What's My Topic
- Lesson 4: Be Specific
- Lesson 5: Visualize How It's Done
- Lesson 6: Reading Drama
- Lesson 7: Disguise
- Lesson 8: Love Triangles
- Lesson 9: Discovering Shakespeare
- Lesson 10: Wordplay 4
- Lesson 11: All the World's a Stage
- Lesson 12: Folly
- Lesson 13: Happy Endings
- Lesson 14: What You Will
- Lesson 15: Writing Workshop 8
- Lesson 16: Module Review
- Lesson 17: Module Exam
- Lesson 18: Portfolio

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