

6th Grade English Language Arts

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The Junior High English Language Arts Curriculum will be driven by the study of literature and writing but will incorporate skill development in vocabulary, grammar, speaking, listening, and higher-level thinking.

Literature

In literature, students will continue to develop fluency, stamina, and comprehension while practicing reading skills and strategies. Students will be exposed to works of fiction and nonfiction as they move through the curriculum.

Novels:

Students will complete an in-depth novel study each trimester:

The Lightning Thief- Rick Riordan

Flush- Carl Hiaasen

Frightful's Mountain- Jean Craighead George

Independent Reading

Sixth grade will participate in the school wide Accelerated Reader program.

1st Trimester: 500 pages

2nd Trimester 600 pages

3rd Trimester 700 pages

Writing

Sixth grade writers will understand and practice the writing process: prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, and publishing. We will also focus on writing a well-developed paragraph while developing their writing skills in the three main types of writing: informative, narrative, and argumentative.

Grammar

Students will continue developing and practicing fundamental grammar. They will build upon their previous knowledge of grammar rules and usage, while applying these skills across the curriculum. Reinforcement of grammar skills will be supplemented through the website NoRedink.

Vocabulary

Exposing students to rich expressive language will increase their vocabulary in speaking, writing, and reading. Our vocabulary classes are built to provide your child with the ability to learn and grow through the understanding of word relationships. In addition to vocabulary, students will also study Greek and Latin roots.

Textbook

Vocabulary Workshop: Common Core Enriched Edition, Level B, Sadlier, 2013

