

8TH GRADE LITERATURE

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Target #	Target	Can I?'s
8.1	I CAN cite textual evidence to strongly support analysis of what the text states directly as well as what is inferred.	Provide specific textual evidence as strong support for my analysis of the text?
8.2	I CAN identify the central idea of a text, including its development through characters, setting, and plot.	• Use a variety of details from the text to determine and analyze the development of the main idea?
8.3	I CAN determine a theme of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text through characters, setting, and plot.	 Differentiate between main idea and theme? Determine a specific and relevant theme topic? Develop a specific and relevant theme topic into a full theme statement? Identify specific details throughout the text (beginning, middle, end) relating to character, setting, and/or plot that support the proposed theme? (All of the above are part of the Theme Analysis Chart.)
8.4	I CAN provide an objective summary of the text.	 Differentiate between objective and subjective? Utilize a Plot Diagram to guide the development of a summary?
8.5	I CAN analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a text develop plot and character.	 Utilize a Plot Diagram and Story Map to analyze the interaction of dialogue and plot points in the development of the plot? Utilize a Plot Diagram and Story Map to analyze the interaction of dialogue and plot points to reveal aspects of a character throughout a text? Utilize a Plot Diagram and Story Map to analyze the interaction of dialogue and plot points to provoke a decision?
8.6	I CAN determine the meaning of figurative and connotative language in a text.	 Identify common forms of figurative language (simile, metaphor, symbol, hyperbole, personification, idiom, imagery)? Differentiate between literal and figurative interpretation? Understand the difference between connotation and denotation? Understand the significance of specific word choice for connotative meaning? Utilize context clues to determine the general connotations of the words/phrases in the text?
8.7	I CAN analyze the impact of specific word choice on meaning, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	 Identify an analogy? Identify an allusion? Consider the context and word choice when analyzing meaning and tone, including analogies, allusions?

8.8	I CAN compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how text structure contributes to meaning and style.	 Recognize basic text structure? Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts? Analyze how text structure contributes to meaning? Analyze how text structure contributes to style?
8.9	I CAN analyze how varying points of view of characters, audience/reader create different effects.	 Identify varying forms of irony? Identify the three modes points of view: first, second, and third (limited and omniscient)? Analyze how varying points of view create different effects?
8.10	I CAN analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on myths, traditional stories, or religious works and renders them new.	 Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on myths, traditional stories, or religious works? Evaluate how material from these texts is rendered new?