8th Grade Reading

	Content	Skills	Resources
Beginning of the Year	 Reading, Thinking, and Distracting Voices Supportive Paragraphs Word Mapping- begin roots Review Notice and Note Signposts 	 Inferences, Drawing Conclusions, Generalizations Elaboration Explicit/ Implicit Citing and Evaluating Evidence Making and Supporting Claims Identification and Application of Affixes Identification of Notice and Note Signposts and Application of Accompanying Questions 	 Smekens Playbook Readers Apply Reading Voices and Readers Write About Texts Various nonfiction articles with multiple perspectives Word Mapping Curriculum Notice and Note Signpost Digital Notebook
Unit 1	 Elements of a Short Story Word Mapping- roots Notice and Note Signposts 	 Predictions and Inferences Elements of a Short Story (plot) Theme Mood Figurative Language Comparison of similar texts Identification and Application of Affixes Identification of Notice and Note Signposts and Application of Accompanying Questions 	 Smekens Playbook Readers Compare Texts Various Pixar Shorts Picture Books Various short stories Word Mapping Curriculum Notice and Note Signpost Curriculum
Unit 2	 Novel Study Word Mapping- finish roots and begin prefixes Notice and Note Signposts 	 Dynamic vs Static Characters Characterization and Analysis Theme Inferences Identification and Application of Affixes Identification of Notice and Note Signposts and Application of Accompanying Questions 	 The Outsiders Paired nonfiction articles Word Mapping Curriculum Notice and Note Signpost Curriculum
Unit 3	 Allegory in Short Stories (AP) Science Fiction Word Mapping- finish prefixes and begin suffixes Notice and Note Signposts 	 Allegory (Ap) Theme Mood Symbolism Foreshadowing Irony Identification and Application of Affixes Identification of Notice and Note Signposts and Application of Accompanying Questions 	 The Lottery by Shirley Jackson (AP) Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes Nonfiction articles on tradition (AP) Word Mapping Curriculum Notice and Note Signpost Curriculum
Unit 4	 Elements of Drama Word Mapping- finish suffixes Notice and Note Signposts 	 Elements of Drama Dynamic vs Static Characters Theme Characterization and Analysis Identification and Application of Affixes Identification of Notice and Note Signposts and Application of Accompanying Questions 	 The Diary of Anne Frank (the play version) Nonfiction articles on the Holocaust Word Mapping Curriculum Notice and Note Signpost Curriculum