



8th Grade Year at a Glance

	1 st Trimester				2 nd Trimester				3 rd Trimester			
Religion	3 weeks Becoming the Person God Created You to Be: Goal-Setting and Study Skills	6 Weeks Mystery of the Church		3 Weeks Social Justice (Family Life)	7 weeks Marks of the Church: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic		3 weeks Chastity (Family Life)	8 Weeks Church history		6 Weeks Witness of the Church: Living Christian Life		
Language Arts (Literature)	2 Weeks Launching Reading and Writing	4 weeks Short Stories/Standardized test preparation		5 Weeks Mysteries/Deductive Reasoning	3 Weeks Edgar Allan Poe	6 Weeks Historical Fiction (1) The Adventures of Tom Sawyer		3 weeks Horror Genre	6 weeks Historical Fiction (2)/Study Intolerance To Kill a Mockingbird		7 weeks Holocaust/Study Intolerance	
Language Arts (English)	2 weeks Free Write Writing Prompts/Basic capitalization and punctuation rules/revising for CAPS and punctuation	2 weeks Free Write Writing Prompts/Sentence structures and types of sentences/Revising for structure	3 weeks Free Write Prompts - begin Narrative Writing/Verbals and parallel structure/revising narrative prompts for CAPS/punctuation, inclusion of verbals, and parallel structure	2 weeks <u>Narrative Piece</u> (suggest fantasy, science fiction, or historical fiction), as we work on writing and revising this piece, the three grammar topics studied in the prior weeks are implemented /mini-lessons on writing an introduction, supporting details, and conclusion	2 weeks mini-lessons on complements (direct object, indirect object, predicate noun, predicate adjective)/diagramming sentences containing these complements/Free Write Writing Prompts/revising for complements	2 weeks Writing Prompts-begin persuasive writing/mini-lessons on counterarguments and thesis statements	2 weeks <u>Argument Piece</u> , as we work on writing the first draft, the focus is thesis statement and body paragraphs constantly circling back to defend the thesis	2 weeks Mini-lessons on Subject-Verb, Pronoun-Antecedent agreement/Free Write Writing Prompts/revising for agreement	3 Weeks Mini-lesson on themes in literature and verb tense shifts/Free Write Writing Prompts that must include any one of suggested themes/revising for development of theme and verb tense shifts	2 weeks mini-lesson on internal citation and revisiting comma rules; Literary Analysis - theme essay	1 week Commonly misspelled words and homophones/Free Writes must include a minimum number of these words, which can be part of the revision process	3 weeks Research, create, and create an <u>informative essay</u> on Holocaust/genocide topic not thoroughly covered in class
	Writing Prompts → 8 Weeks		Diagramming → all year		SCOPE grammar review/Lazy Editor is done all year							

Math	4 Weeks Real Numbers and the Coordinate plane	4 Weeks Solving Linear Equations	4 Weeks Intro to Fractions	5 Weeks Graphing Functions	4 Weeks Systems of Linear Equations	3 Weeks Exponents	3 Weeks Intro to Geometry	4 Weeks Transformatio n	3 Weeks Geometry and Measurement	2 Weeks Data Analysis
Science	7 Weeks Thermal Energy/Heat		7 Weeks Periodic Table of Elements/Chemical Reactions (bio-chem)		7 Weeks Types of Energy Structures and Principles of Matter		7 Weeks Forces and Interactions Newton's Laws		7 Weeks Waves and Electromagnetic Radiation	
Social Studies	5 Weeks Settlements	6 Weeks Founding	2 Weeks Expan sion	5 Weeks Conflict and Crisis	1 Week West ward Expan sion	2 Weeks Industrializat ion/Immigrat ion/Progressi ves	3 Weeks Imperialism/Women/ WWI	1 W ee k 19 20 s	3 Weeks Great Depression	6 Weeks WWII