

## BTMS & NMS Language Arts Essential Skills

Grade	Unit	Time Period	Essential Skills	Standards
Beginning of the Year Growth Measure Assessment				
8	Finding Your Path *Personal Narrative	Aug.-Sept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze characterization               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.5.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Write a personal narrative               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W.3.S</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze elements of poetry               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.10.RL</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Finding Your Path Unit Standards</a>  <a href="#">Finding Your Path Essential Standards</a>  <a href="#">Narrative Unit Plan (BTMS)</a>
8	The Thrill of Horror *Literary Analysis Essay	Oct.-Start of Nov.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze suspense               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.7.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze literary elements               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.V.5</li> <li>○ 8.V.6</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Determine theme               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.2.RF</li> <li>○ 8.RC.10.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Write a literary analysis               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.3.RF</li> <li>○ 8.W.2.S</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">The Thrill of Horror Unit Standards</a>  <a href="#">The Thrill of Horror Essential Standards</a>  <a href="#">Literary Analysis Unit (BTMS)</a>
8	Gadgets & Glitches *Argumentative Essay	End of Nov.-Jan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze Plot               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.1.RF</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Read informational texts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.15.RI</li> <li>○ 8.RC.16.RI</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Create an argument using evidence as support               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W.1.S</li> <li>○ 8W.13.R</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Gadgets and Glitches Standards</a>  <a href="#">Gadgets and Glitches Essential Skills</a>
Middle of the Year Growth Measure Assessment				
8	The Legacy of Anne Frank *Persuasive Essay	Jan.-Feb.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyzing a drama               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.8.RL</li> <li>○ 8.RC.10.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Character analysis               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.5.RL</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">The Legacy of Anne Frank Standards</a>  <a href="#">The Legacy of Anne Frank</a>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.7.RL</li> <li>● Write a persuasive essay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W.1.S</li> <li>○ 8.W.4.P</li> <li>○ 8.W.5.P</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Essential Standards</a> <a href="#">Essay Writing Boot Camp [test prep] (BTMS)</a>
8	Places We Call Home  *Realistic Fiction Story	March-April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Determine character motivation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.5.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Determine point of view <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.7.RL</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze figurative language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.V.5</li> <li>○ 8.V.6</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Compare different forms of media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.14.RI</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Write a realistic fiction short story writing over an obstacle a character overcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W.3.S</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Places We Call Home</a>  <a href="#">Places We Call Home Essential Standards</a>
8	The Fight for Freedom  *Research Project	April-May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze an autobiography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.RC.10.RL</li> <li>○ 8.RC.17.RI</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze the use of figurative language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.V.5</li> <li>○ 8.V.6</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Identify primary and secondary sources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W.14.R</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Create a research presentation over the Abolitionist Movement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8.W13.R</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">The Fight for Freedom Unit Standards</a>  <a href="#">The Fight for Freedom Essential Standards</a>

End of the Year Growth Measure Assessment