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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 A SQ3R B Before, during, and after Strategies (predict, preview, visualize, connect, question, clarify, evaluate) C Question generated outline D Specialized vocabulary words E Types of context clues Antonym Synonym Comparison Contrast Direct definition (appositive) Words in a list Summary Example F Purpose for reading G Reading rate H Application of content area materials I Organizational skills Class preparation 	 Locate appropriate texts Identify and use common organizational structures and graphic features to comprehend information Use knowledge of root words as well as context clues Understand specialized vocabulary in the content areas during reading Use these words accurately in speaking and writing Demonstrate after reading understanding and interpretation of text Demonstrate fluency and comprehension in reading Read and understand essential content of informational text Write with a sharp, distinct focus 	 Prentice Hall Literature Grade 6 and supplemental materials (Yellow Edition) Copyright 2007 Supplemental materials provided by teacher Be a Better Reader Level B Dictionary Prentice Hall provided audio, CD's. tapes, videos, unit resources Content Area Reading Overhead Teaching Kit:	 Text exercises Teacher made tests and quizzes Worksheets Student generated essays Teacher generated writing Individual and/or group presentations Teacher generated rubric

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
Agenda bookJ How to StudyLearning styles	Write using well-developed content appropriate for the topic		
SchedulesPlaceMaterials	Gather, determine validity and reliability of and organize information		
K Test taking skills	Listen to others		
 Goal setting Short/long term goals Time management Interpreting graphics and charts L Author's purpose To inform 	Contribute to discussions		
To persuadeTo entertain			
To express an opinionTo describe/reflect on an experience			
M Root Words			
N Affixes			
O Prefixes (pre, dis, mis, non,			
inter, extra, post, super, sub)			

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P Suffixes (less, ble, ly, or,			
ness, ment, er, ship, tion,			
en)			
Q Introduction to dictionary			
skills			
R Glossary terms			
Affix			
Analysis			
Antonym			
 Appositive 			
 Author's purpose 			
Context clues			
Content specific words			
Contrast			
Differentiate			
Evaluate			
Explanary sentence			
Expository Text			
• Focus			
Generalization			
Graphic organizer			
Headings, graphics, and			
charts			
 Homophone 			

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Course Content Informational text Multiple Meaning Words Nonfiction Prefix Print media Reading critically Reading rate Root word Self-monitor Subject area Suffix Synonym	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments

Nonfiction Unit:

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
A Non-Fiction B Paraphrasing C Summarizing (teacherguided instruction) D Stated main idea E Implied main idea • Teacher-guided instruction F Drawing conclusions/inferences G Cause and effect H Fact and opinion I Generalizations/bias J Supporting details; essential vs. nonessential details K Identify and describe genre of text L Author's purpose M Vocabulary in context N Text organization • Sequence/time order • Compare and contrast • Problem/solution • Simple listing	 Identify and use common organizational structures and graphics features Identify basic facts and ideas in text using specific strategies Demonstrating after reading understanding and interpretation of nonfiction text Make, and support with evidence, assertions about texts Demonstrate fluency and comprehension Self correct mistakes Read a variety of genres and types of texts Demonstrate comprehension Read and understand essential content of informational text and documents in all academic areas 	 Prentice Hall Literature Grade 6 and supplemental materials (Yellow Edition) Copyright 2007 Reader's Notebook Prentice Hall provided audio, CD's, tapes, videos, unit resources Supplemental materials provided by teacher Prentice Hall provided audio, CD's, tapes, videos, unit resources Be a Better Reader Level B Dictionary Independent Reading: Student selection from school library, public library, personal library, and classroom library. Must be one every quarter 	 Text exercises Teacher made tests and quizzes Prentice Hall tests and quizzes Worksheets Student generated essays Teacher generated writing Presentation/project(s) Oral individual/group project(s)/ presentation(s)

Unit: Nonfiction

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 Course Content Signal words for Student Performance Distinguish between 	Resources	
paragraph patterns Interpret graphics and charts Headings O Source: "A Backwoods Boy" "The Shut Out" "Water" Plus two more selections P Glossary Terms: Accuracy Analysis Author's purpose Autobiography Bias Biography Cause and effect Conclusion Context clues Contrast Differentiate		

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 Evaluate Explicit Expository text First person Fluency Focus Generalization Genre Graphic organizer Headings, Graphics, and charts Implicit Inference Informational text Main idea Nonfiction Paraphrase Point of view Print media Propaganda Techniques Reading critically Self-Monitor 	 Listen to others Listen to selections of literature Contribute to discussions Participate in small and large group discussions 		

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 Source (primary and 			
secondary)			
 Summarize 			
 Third person 			
 Text structure 			
Validity			
 Venn diagram 			

Unit: Fiction

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
A Short stories/ oral traditions/novels/ drama B Sources:	 Locate appropriate texts Identify and use common organizational structures to comprehend instruction Identify basic facts and ideas in text using specific strategies Expand a reading vocabulary by identifying and correctly using idioms and words with literal and figurative meanings Demonstrate after reading understanding and interpretation of fiction Compare and Contrast texts using themes, settings, characters and Ideas Demonstrate fluency and comprehension in reading Read familiar materials aloud with accuracy Self-correct mistakes Use appropriate flow and pronunciation 	 Prentice Hall Literature Grade 6 and supplemental materials (Yellow Edition) Copyright 2005 Novels: (one required; no more than two per year) see resource list Prentice Hall provided audio, CD's, tapes, videos, unit resources Supplemental materials provided by teacher as needed Be a Better Reader Level B Independent Reading: Student selection from school library, public library, personal library, and classroom library. Must be one every quarter 	 Text Exercises Teacher made tests and quizzes Prentice Hall tests and quizzes Worksheets Student/teacher generated essays Presentation/project(s) Oral individual/group project(s)/ presentation(s) Teacher generated rubrics PSSA Reading Rubric

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
Plot outline (exposition, rising action, climax,	Read a variety if genres and types of texts		
falling action, resolution) D Conflict (character vs. character, character vs. self, character vs. nature,	 Read and understand works of literature Analyze the use of literary elements 		
character vs. society)Point of viewPredicting outcomes	Analyze the effect of various literary devices		
 Setting (time, place, & environment = five senses) 	Figurative languageAnalyze dramaRead and respond to literature		
Theme (moral or life lesson)Vocabulary in context	Write with a sharp distinct focus		
E Glossary Terms:• Alliteration	content appropriate for the topic		
AnalysisAuthor's purposeCause/effect	 Write with teacher controlled organization Listen to others 		
CharacterizationClimax	Ask probing questionsListen to selections of		
CompareContrast	literatureRelate to previous knowledge		

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 Conclusion Conflict/problem Context clues Descriptive text Dialogue Differentiate Evaluate Exaggeration Fable Fairy tales Fiction Figurative Language First person Flashback Fluency Focus Folktales Foreshadowing Generalizations Genre Graphic organizer Hyperbole Idiom 	 Predict content/events Summarize events and identify the significant points Identify and define new words and concepts. Analyze selection Contribute to discussions Ask relevant, probing questions Present support for opinions Paraphrase and summarize, when prompted Respond with relevant Information, ideas or reasons in support of opinions expressed Present support for opinions 		

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Imagery			
Implicit			
Inference			
• Irony			
Legend			
Literary conflict			
Literary devices			
Literary elements			
Main Idea			
Metaphors			
Mood			
Multiple meaning Words			
Narrative			
Paraphrase			
Personification			
• Plot			
Point of view			
Problem solution			
Reading critically			
Resolution			
Retell			
Rising action			
Setting			

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 Simile Story maps Summarize Style Symbolism Target words Theme Third person Tone Venn diagram Voice 			

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
A Poetry B Compare and contrast to other pieces of literature C Figurative language (simile, metaphor, hyperbole) D Onomatopoeia E Hyperbole F Imagery G Metaphor H Sound techniques (meter, alliteration, rhyme, rhythm, repetition) I Personification J Point of view (particularly first and third person) K Simile L Sources: "Oranges" "Life Doesn't Frighten Me" "Adventures of Isabel" Plus one more selection	 Locate appropriate texts Identify and use common organizational structures to comprehend instruction Identify basic facts and ideas in text using specific strategies Expand a reading vocabulary by identifying and correctly using idioms and words with literal and figurative meanings Demonstrate after reading understanding and interpretation of text Demonstrate fluency and comprehension in reading Read familiar materials aloud with accuracy Self-correct mistakes Use appropriate flow, rhyme, meter, and pronunciation Read a variety if genres and types of texts 	 Prentice Hall Literature Grade 6 and supplemental materials (Yellow Edition) Copyright 2005 Prentice Hall provided audio, CD's, tapes, videos, unit resources Reader's Notebook Supplemental materials provided by teacher as needed Be a Better Reader Level B Independent Reading: Student selection from school library, public library, personal library, and classroom library. 	 Text Exercises Teacher made tests and quizzes Prentice Hall tests and quizzes Worksheets Student/teacher generated essays Presentation/project(s) Oral individual/group project(s)/ presentation(s) Teacher generated rubrics PSSA Reading Rubric

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
M Glossary terms:	 Read and understand works of literature Analyze the effect of various literary devices Figurative language Sound techniques Identify poetic forms Read and respond to literature Write with a sharp distinct focus Writing using well-developed content appropriate for the topic Write with teacher controlled organization Listen to others Analyze selection Contribute to discussions Ask relevant, probing questions Present support for opinions 		

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 Implicit Inference Irony Limerick Literary devices Main Idea Metaphors Meter Mood Multiple meaning Words Narrative Paraphrase Personification Poetic purpose Poetry Point of view Reading critically Retell Rhyme Rhythm Setting Simile Summarize 	Paraphrase and summarize, when prompted Respond with relevant Information, ideas or reasons in support of opinions expressed Present support for opinions		

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Style			
 Symbolism 			
Theme			
 Third person 			
• Tone			
• Voice			

Unit: PSSA Preparation

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
A Understand fiction appropriate to grade level How to Get Better Test Scores PSSA Coach PSSA Prep Understand nonfiction appropriate to grade level How To Get Better Test Scores PSSA Coach PSSA Prep Interpret, compare, describe, analyze, and evaluate components within and between text How To Get Better Test Scores PSSA Coach PSSA Coach PSSA Coach PSSA Prep	 1.1.8 - Learning to read independently (all inclusive) 1.2.8 - Reading critically in all content areas (all Inclusive) 1.3.8 - Reading, analyzing, and interpreting literature (All Inclusive) Write with a sharp distinct focus Writing using well-developed content appropriate for the topic Write with controlled and/or a subtle organization Listen to others Ask probing questions Contribute to discussions Ask relevant, probing questions Present support for opinions 	 □ PSSA Coach Assessment Anchors Grade 6 (Purple edition) Copyright 2005 • How to Get Better Test Scores Grade 6 Copyright 2006 • PSSA Prep; Grade 6 Reading Comprehension 2004 (Blue Edition) 	 PSSA generated open ended questions Text exercises Teacher made tests and quizzes Worksheets Student/teacher generated essays Presentation/project(s) Oral individual/group project(s)/ presentation(s) PSSA Reading Rubric

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Course Content	Student Performance	Resources	Assessments
 D Identify, interpret, describe and analyze literary devices and fictional in literary nonfictional text How To Get Better Test Scores PSSA Coach PSSA Prep Identify, interpret, describe, and analyze concepts and organization of nonfiction text How To Get Better Test Scores PSSA Coach PSSA Prep 	 Paraphrase and summarize, when prompted Respond with relevant Information, ideas or Reasons in support of opinions expressed Present support for opinions 		