

7th Grade ELA Plans (Week 1 and Week 2)

Week 1 ...

Day 1

Log into your ReadWorks account (see directions in first file).

Read or listen to the audio of the short story, "The President Has Been Killed."

Answer multiple comprehension questions that review the story.

Day 2

Log into your ReadWorks account.

Read or listen to the audio of the short story, "Mission to Mars."

Answer multiple comprehension questions that review the story.

Day 3/4 - Writing Assignment #1

See file "Week 1 Writing ... Informative" for specific instructions.

Day 5

Independent Reading Book Assignment

Continue reading your independent reading book (at least one chapter or at least 20 pages), OR

Choose a new independent reading book that will be used for Marking Period #4.

Choose one of the questions below to answer based on the pages you have read today. Answer the question carefully using 7-10 complete sentences. Within your response, restate the question and use details from the book to support your answer. Remember, these questions can be answered whether you are just beginning your book, in the middle of your book, or at the end of your book!

Reading Response Question Options:

1. If you could retitle the book based on what you have read so far; what title would you choose? Why?
2. How does the title relate to the story?
3. Would you like to be one of the characters in the book? Why or why not?

4. What is a major problem that a character is facing in the book?
5. Does this story seem similar to any stories you have read before? How?
6. What major decision has a character made in the book? Do you agree or disagree with the decision?
7. What do you think will happen in the next section of the book? Why?
8. How realistic is the plot of your book?
9. Can you relate to any of the characters in the book? How?
10. Do you have any questions about the story or the character(s) that you would like answered based on what you have read so far?
11. Do you like any characters in the book so far? Why?
12. Do you dislike any characters in the book so far? Why?
13. What did you picture in your mind as you were reading?
14. Have you experienced anything in your life that is similar to what a character is or has experienced in their life?
15. What character would you like to have as a friend? Why?

****Week 1 work must be submitted at the end of the week before you start Week 2. That first weekend is fine as well.****

Week 2

Day 1

Log into your ReadWorks account (see directions in first file).

Read or listen to the audio of the short story, "Searching for Survivors."

Answer multiple reading comprehension questions that review the story.

Day 2

Log into your ReadWorks account.

Read or listen to the audio of the short story, "The Elves and the Shoemaker."

Answer reading comprehension questions that review the story.

Day 3/4 - Writing Assignment #2

See file "Week 2 Writing ... Narrative" for specific instructions.

Day 5 - Independent Reading Book

(SEE LAST WEEK'S FRIDAY ASSIGNMENT ... SAME TASK.)

****Week 2 work must be submitted at the end of the second week. That second weekend is fine as well.****

ReadWorks Account Information

Step 1- Go to: www.readworks.org/student

Step 2- Enter the class code: GTFHAB

Step 3- Click on YOUR name

Step 4- Type in your default password: 1234

Once you log in, you may change your password if you would like. Remember to write down your password and keep it in a safe place if you do decide to change it.

Step 5- Assignments To Do:

Read each listed article and answer the reading comprehension questions that follow. Remember to answer all short response questions using complete sentences, details, and/or textual evidence from the story as needed.

Week 1 Informative Writing Prompts

Directions: Choose one of the following two writing prompts and draft a three paragraph, double-page response:

Option 1: Mission to Mars

Were Roy and Ciara a good choice for the Mars mission? Explain why or why not, using evidence from the story.

Option 2: The President Has Been Killed

Based on the information in this story, how important were President Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy to regular Americans like Michael and his family in the early 1960s? Give at least two examples from the text demonstrating their importance.

*****This assignment must be completed on Microsoft Word. It must include a full MLA heading and a title. Please share your finished essay with me by the end of week 1. Be sure to include textual evidence to support your response.**

Week 2 Narrative Writing Prompts

Directions: Choose one of the following two writing prompts and draft a 2-3 page, double-spaced story:

Option 1: Retell the story from the perspective of the shoemaker. In other words, instead of the story being told in the third person, write it in the first person ... with you, the author, being the shoemaker.

Option 2: Continue this story by writing Chapter 2. In other words, what happens after the shoemaker "fares well" and has "good luck in all his undertakings," and the "little men come back no more"?

This assignment must be done on Microsoft Word, include a full MLA heading, and a title. Be sure to include a little dialogue between your characters. Share your finished narrative with your writing teacher by the end of the second week.