

7th Grade English

Forever Toolkit

Reading	Writing
<p>In literature, explore signposts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Contrast/Contradiction ● Aha Moments ● Tough Questions ● Words of The Wiser ● Again and Again ● Memory Moment ● Wants ● Conflicts ● Figurative Language ● Window or Mirror 	<p>When writing an <u>essay</u>, make sure to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Italicize the <i>title</i>. ● Remove personal pronouns (I/You) ● Proofread aloud. ● This (critical moment) reveals... ● Double check apostrophes. ● Use strong, specific VERBS. ● Avoid repetition. <p style="text-align: center; color: purple;">The teacher says, “Good luck!” (Smith 31).</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: purple;">Intro + CEA + CEA + CEA + Conclusion</p>
<p>In drama, read aloud with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Projection ● Enunciation ● Pace 	<p>When writing a script:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● State the speaker for each line. ● Include significant stage directions. ● Refer to the setting in certain lines. ● Juxtapose your characters.
<p>In poetry, consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Speaker (the poem’s narrator) ● Enjambment (clever line break) ● Extended Metaphor ● Stanza ● Symbolism ● Flipped Symbolism ● Turn (plot twist) ● Coding and Decoding ● Theme(s) 	<p>When writing a narrative:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Focus on small details/moments. ● Explore what a character wants. ● Introduce and develop conflict. ● Balancing narration <i>and</i> dialogue. ● Develop relationships. ● Crafting the <u>voice</u> of characters. ● Experiment with SPICY Verbs. ● Consider the impact of setting. ● Consider the impact of figurative language. ● Find a logical ending...that is memorable. ● Consider the use of flashbacks.
<p>In nonfiction, examine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Title + Images ● Text Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ description ○ sequence ○ cause & effect ○ compare & contrast ○ problem & solution ● Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inform ○ Persuade ○ Instruct ○ Entertain ● Main Ideas + Details 	<p>Texts from 7th Grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>The Color of My Words</i> by Lynn Joseph ● <i>A Christmas Carol</i> by Charles Dickens/Walkowicz ● “The Storm” by Mary Oliver ● “Identity” by Julio Noboa ● “In Time of Silver Rain” by Langston Hughes ● “Spring Pools” by Robert Frost ● “The Hill We Climb” by Amanda Gorman ● Selected Poems ● Newsela Articles ● <i>The Giver</i> by Lois Lowry ● Thoughts From Authors ● Snackable Stories <p>Additional Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Merengue Dance ● The Industrial Revolution ● The History of The Letter ● The History of Drama ● The History of English ● #Hacking Poetry