English 9 Genre Studies Introduction to Genre Studies - The Reader's Experience

Time Frame: 4-6 weeks	Unit Title: The Reader's Experience/Introduction to Genre Studies	Course Name: English 9 Genre Studies
Stage 1: Desired Results		
Established Goal(s)	Transfer	
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.9-1 0.2: Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.9-1 0.3: Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.9-10. 3: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. Students will focus on goals and skill acquisition in the following English Language Arts competencies:	 Students will be able to independently use their learning to Students will be able to independently use their learning to identify and define the elements of a story, including plot, characters, setting, conflict, and theme. Students will be able to independently use their learning to analyze how the elements of a story interact and contribute to the overall meaning and impact of a text. Students will be able to independently use their learning to explain the importance of elements of a story in creating a meaningful reading experience. Students will be able to independently use their learning to apply their understanding of the elements of a story to analyze and interpret various texts. 	
	Meaning	
	 Understandings Students will understand that Students will understand that there are five basic elements of a story. Students will understand that the elements of a story interact and influence each other in the writing process. Students will understand that the elements of a story contribute to the overall meaning of a text. Students will understand that the significance of the elements of a story lies in creating a meaningful reading experience. 	 Essential Questions Students will keep considering What are the elements of a story and why do they matter? How do elements of a story add to our experience as readers? What makes a text meaningful?
	Acquisition	
	 Students will know Students will know how to define the elements of a story. Students will know how to apply their understanding of the elements of a story to analyze and interpret various texts. 	 Students will be skilled at Students will be skilled at identifying examples of the elements of a story in various texts. Students will be skilled at analyzing how the elements of a story can evoke emotions and provide connections to real-life experiences for the reader.
Reading LiteratureVocabularyLanguage		

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