

ELA Alternate 4 Essential Elements- High School Curriculum Map



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I can use anchor charts to compare the difference between the author's actual language and intended meaning.	EE.RL.12.6- Determine the point of view when there is a difference between the author's actual language and intended meaning.	On an anchor chart with the different points of view listed on top, compare the actual language with the intended meaning.	
I can use a graphic organizer to compare the text version with the video or live version of the same text.	EE.RL.12.7- Compare two or more interpretations (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry) of a story, drama, or poem.	Create anchor charts of text elements while reading and watching the text to use to compare and contrast the two (visuals and short phrases may be helpful when comparing and contrasting).	
I can use a graphic organizer to compare different versions of text.	EE.RL.12.9- Demonstrate explicit understanding of recounted versions of foundational works of American literature.	Use the graphic organizers to answer questions related to the foundational works of American literature.	
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Embedded Throughout the year:

Speaking and Listening Essential Elements:

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d. Respond to agreements and disagreements in a discussion.

EE.SL.12.2-Determine the credibility and accuracy of information presented across diverse media or formats.

EE.SL.12.3-Determine whether the claims and reasoning enhance the speaker's argument on a topic.

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Vocabulary and Language Essential Elements:

EE.L.12.1- Demonstrate standard English grammar and usage when communicating.

a. Use conventions of standard English when needed.

b. Use digital, electronic, and other resources and tools to improve uses of language as needed.

EE.L.12.2- Demonstrate an understanding of conventions of standard English.

a. Demonstrate conventions of standard English including capitalization, ending punctuation, and spelling when writing.

b. Spell most single-syllable words correctly and apply knowledge of word chunks in spelling longer words.

EE.L.12.3- Use language to achieve desired outcomes when communicating.

a. Vary sentence structure using a variety of simple and compound sentence structures.

EE.L.12.4- Demonstrate knowledge of word meanings.

a. Use context to determine the meaning of unknown words.

b. Identify and use root words and the words that result when affixes are added or removed.

c. Consult reference materials (dictionaries, online vocabulary supports) to clarify the meaning of unfamiliar words encountered when reading.

EE.L.12.5- Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and use.

a. Interpret simple figures of speech encountered while reading or listening.

EE.L.12.6- Use general academic and domain-specific words and phrases across contexts.