|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Enduring UnderstandingEssential Questions | ArgumentativeTexts & Other Media: | NarrativeTexts & Other Media: | Explanatory/ResearchTexts & Other Media: | Writing Prompt(s)Mixed Genres |
| Humans serve technology. Technology serves humans.Children are spoiled by technology.Technology can teach. Knowledge is not the same as wisdom. |  | The Veldt |  | How has technology changed the way you think over the last week? How does technology affect brain patterns in teenagers? What are the implications for this? |
| When things get out of control.Good intentions can lead to disaster.What could go wrong?Fighting fire with fireZombiesDiseaseSpread of disease and hatred  |  | [The King, the Mice and the Cheese](https://openlibrary.org/books/OL5948917M/The_king_the_mice_and_the_cheese) | [Unleashing Mosquitos](http://www.sciencealert.com/a-google-company-is-unleashing-20-million-mosquitos-in-california-to-fight-zika) |  |
| Be careful what you wish for.Greed and desire come at a cost.Magical things require magical costs. |  | The Monkey’s Paw |  |  |
| The most dangerous things are oftentimes the most dangerous.Things are not always what they seem.Looks |  | [Descendants](https://vimeo.com/8642276)Beauty and the Beast |  |  |
| Parents and people in authority do not always care for children and others the way it is expected. |  | Hansel and Gretel |  |  |
| Authority comes with responsibility.Community service serves the community: what happens when justice is not served? |  | The Hate U Give | Police shootings |  |
| Fear: Necessary and PowerfulFear of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_What do we fear and why?LossEarly humans’ rituals and questions:Scientific discovery and origin myths |  | Tell-Tale HeartThe RavenLight’s Out | [Meet the Woman Who Can’t Feel Fear](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/speaking-of-science/wp/2015/01/20/meet-the-woman-who-cant-feel-fear/?utm_term=.49cce5ad1b66) |  |
| Pledges and allegiances must be measured | Should we say the Pledge?<http://www.ushistory.org/documents/pledge.htm><http://www.debate.org/opinions/should-students-be-forced-to-stand-up-and-say-the-pledge-of-allegiance><http://kaepernick7.com/> | Facing It |  |  |
| CivilizationConstructs of PowerSociety’s Needs versus IndividualsTribalism |  | Lord of the FliesGraham Greene Story |  |  |
| Journey of the HeroWhat is sought is often not what is gainedWhat is gained is often greater than what is sought |  | ChivalryThe Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian |  |  |
| Mythology, Origin Stories, Fables and FolkloreMagical Moment |  | A&P John Updike |  |  |
| Mob Mentality, group think |  | The Widow’s BroomThe Last Town on EarthThe Crucible | [A Brief History of the Salem Witch Trials](http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/a-brief-history-of-the-salem-witch-trials-175162489/)<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/unraveling-mysteries-tituba-salem-witch-trials-180956960/><http://salem.lib.virginia.edu/home.html><http://www.history.com/topics/salem-witch-trials> |  |
| Racism is personified as a living being. Can it be destroyed? |  |  |  |  |
| Love and good triumph over evil.Being good for its own sake is its reward. |  | Cinderella |  |  |
| Exploitation: why do people strive for belonging even if it may mean exploitation? |  |  |  |  |
| We all share unique gifts. |  | Seed Folks |  |  |
| People do learn from history.Why do good things go unnoticed? What positive gains have been made. |  |  |  |  |
| We are stronger when united.We are more dangerous when united.Small things and acts make a huge impact. |  | [Slug Invasion](https://vimeo.com/34072719) |  |  |
| Culture and Identity[Graphically Speaking](http://blog0rama.edublogs.org/2017/07/12/summer-series-of-saves-graphically-speaking/)[NPR Book List Social Justice Kids](http://www.npr.org/sections/ed/2017/07/06/534443123/summer-reading-for-your-woke-kid) |  | [Slug Invasion](https://vimeo.com/34072719) |  |  |
| Lost and Found |  | The Hidden Lining[Lost and Found Shop](https://vimeo.com/12672083) |  |  |
| Memoir  |  | <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1W-OZUCYoAxccfsVI4-sHx7lMg8IWfjO68W-54EBgT28/edit?usp=sharing> |  |  |
| Humor/Satire |  |  | * ***Humor Interlude:***
	+ McSweeney's: ["An Open Letter To Your Unreadable Hashtag"](http://www.mcsweeneys.net/articles/an-open-letter-to-your-unreadable-hashtag)
	+ New Yorker: ["Diary of the Left Shark"](http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2015/02/16/diary-left-shark)
	+ Hyperbole and a Half: ["The God of Cake"](http://hyperboleandahalf.blogspot.com/2010/10/god-of-cake.html)
	+ The Oatmeal: ["When your house is burning down, you should brush your teeth"](http://theoatmeal.com/comics/house)
	+ [Comedy Writing: How to be Funny (NPR Interview with Mike Sacks and Harold Ramis)](http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=111456667)
	+ [Dissecting a Frog: How to Write a Humor Piece](http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/02/03/dissecting-a-frog-how-to-write-a-humor-piece/?_r=0) (The New York Times Opinionator)
	+ http://mrsgay.blogspot.com/p/creative-writing.html
 |  |

Functional Documents:

Functional documents help provide directions, ingredient list, tickets, ephemera, etc.

Resources:

<http://utahvalley360.com/2014/11/08/6-positive-themes-in-disneys-big-hero-6/>

Theme topics: <https://literarydevices.net/a-huge-list-of-common-themes/>

<https://go.sdsu.edu/education/projectcore/files/03252-6_Universal_Themes.pdf>

<http://mrsgay.blogspot.com/p/creative-writing.html>

**Critical thinking skills:** <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0ByKyQvl3l_F5ZUpXdjhSOW1GZXc/view?usp=sharing>

<https://www.discoverartifacts.com/>

https://www.commonlit.org/

<http://www.ethicalela.com/letting-literature-work-started-inclusive-literature-workshop/>

<http://www.ethicalela.com/buying-books-for-your-classroom-heres-an-inclusive-list/>

Short Story links:

<http://staff.esuhsd.org/danielle/English%20Department%20LVillage/RT/Short%20Stories/All%20Summer%20in%20a%20Day.pdf>

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hHhEdcjlKk65ehJ5r3rlkkhmettrP8xfpI6chqQwNxk/edit>

Interweave:

What is the nature of conflict?

Man versus:

Nature

Technology

Self

Society

Man

From <http://www.ethicalela.com/letting-literature-work-started-inclusive-literature-workshop/>

**Books I bought for the 2016-17 school year**

A Wrinkle in Time: The Graphic Novel by Madeleine L’Engle, Hope Larson
Ada’s Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay by Susan Hood
All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven
All the Broken Pieces by Anne E. Burg
Always Running: La Vida Loca: Gang Days in LA by Luis J. Rodriguez
American Ace by Marilyn Nelson
Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz
Batman: The Killing Joke, Deluxe Edition by Alan Moore, Brian Bolland
Because I am Furniture by Thalia Chaltas
Boy 21 by Matthew Quick
Caminar by Skila Brown
Cruise Control by Terry Trueman
Cut by Patricia McCormick
Death Coming Up the Hill by Chris Crowe
Dust of Eden by Mariko Nagai
Edison’s Alley (Accelerati Trilogy) by Neal Shusterman, Eric Elfman
Elena Vanishing: A Memoir by Elena Dunkle, Clare B. Dunkle
Empty Places by Kathy Cannon Wiechman
Fake ID by Lamar Giles
Fat Angie by e.E. Chartlon-Trujillo
Gaijin: American Prisoner of War by Matt Faulkner
Genius: The Game by Leopoldo Gout
Ghost by Jason Reynolds
Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier
Gracefully Grayson by Ami Polonsky
Grandfather Gandhi by Arun Gandhi
If I Grow Up by Todd Strasser
It’s Kind of a Funny Story by Ned Vizzini
It’s So Amazing: A Book about Eggs, Sperm, Birth, Babies, and Families by Robie H. Harris, Michael Emberley
Life Happens Next by Terry Trueman
Life in Prison by Stanley Williams, Barbara Cottman
Locomotion by Jacqueline Woodson
Monster: A Graphic Novel by Walter Dean Myers, Guy A. Sims
Ms. Bixby’s Last Day by John David Anderson
My Friend Dahmer by Derf Backderf
Navy SEAL Dogs: My Tale of Training Canines for Combat by Mike Ritland
One by Sarah Crossan
Pink is for Blobfish: Discovering the World’s Perfectly Pink Animals by Jess Keating
Positive: A Memoir by Paige Rawl, Ali Benjamin
Princeless, Book 2: Get Over Yourself by Jeremy Whitley, Emily Martin
Princeless: Save Yourself by Jeremy Whitley, M. Goodwin
Rhyme Schemer by K.A. Holt
Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson
Samurai Rising: The Epic Life of Minamoto Yoshitsune by Pamela S. Turner, Gareth Hinds
Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks
Shakespear Bats Cleanup by Ron Koertge
Solving the Puzzle Under the Sea: Marie Tharp Maps the Ocean Floor by Robert Burleigh
Still a Work in Progress by Jo Knowles
Sunny Side Up by Jennifer L. Holm, Matthew Holm
Tales from the Brother’s Grimm and the Sisters Weird by Vivian Vande Velde, Brad Weinman
Terrible Typhoid Mary: A True Story of the Deadliest Cook in America by Susan Campbell Bartoletti
The Accelerati Trilogy Book One: Tesla’s Attic by Neal Shusterman
The Boxer: The True Story of the Holocaust Survivor Harry Haft by Reinhard Kleist
The Honest Truth by Dan Gemeinhart
The Jumbies by Tracey Baptiste
The Memory of Light by Francisco X. Stork
The Memory of Things: A Novel by Gae Polisner
The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate, Patricia Castelao
The Serpent King by Jeff Zentner
The Seventh Wish by Kate Messner
Tina’s Mouth: An Existential Comic Diary by KEshni KAshyap, Mari Araki
Tiny Stitches: The Life of the Medical Pioneer Vivien Thomas by Gwendolyn Hooks
Towers Falling by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Ungifted by Gordon Korman
Unidentified Suburban Object by Mike Jung
When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop by Laban Carrick Hill
Wild Boy: The Real Life of the Savage of Aveyron by Mary Losure, Timothy Basil Ering