Seventh Grade Language Arts - Curriculum Overview

	Reading/Literature	Listening/Speaking	Writing	Grammar	Vocabulary
Quarter 1	Review summer reading Short stories Independent Reading	Oral presentations in regards to independent reading books and classroom literature selections Classroom discussion	Summer reading three-paragraph essay Paragraph writing Literary/Descriptive five-paragraph essay	Parts of speech Parts of the Sentence Integrated grammar taught from the literature and emphasized through writing	Sadlier-Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level B, units 1-4 Vocabulary from short story literature selections
Quarter 2	Play: "A Christmas Carol" Independent Reading	Speech Meet Oral presentations in regards to independent reading books and classroom literature selections Classroom discussion	Personal Narrative Character Essay	Mechanics Grammar integrated into Integrated grammar taught from the literature and emphasized through writing	 Sadlier-Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level B, units 5-9 Vocabulary from "A Christmas Carol"
Quarter 3	Johnny Tremain Independent Reading	Oral presentations in regards to independent reading books and classroom literature selections Classroom discussion	Journalistic writing Informational five- paragraph essay Persuasive Essay	Correct Word Usage Integrated grammar taught from the literature and emphasized through writing	Sadlier-Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level B, units 10-13 Vocabulary from Johnny Tremain
Quarter 4	Poetry Independent Reading Slave Dancer	Oral presentations in regards to independent reading books and classroom literature selections Classroom discussion	Poetry Writing Research paper	Integrated grammar and emphasis through reinforcement in writing	Sadlier-Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level B, units 14-15 Vocabulary from class readings