

**TWS Unit:
Charlotte's Web Language Arts Lesson Ideas**

My unit is aligned with the local and state ELA curriculum. I am incorporating a Charlotte's Web unit as well as covering many of the major skills included in the Harcourt Trophies series. The lessons included in my unit are listed below and I have dated the lessons that I have already taught.

- 1. Literature Projects:**
 - a. Choice Matrix of projects (Diorama, write a book review, persuasive letter, poem about a favorite character, poster, newspaper article)
- 2. Cause/Effect: Taught 10/27**
 - a. Cause and Effect Contraption worksheet
 - b. Overhead matching lesson related to Charlotte's Web
 - c. Work with a partner to think up causes and effects
- 3. Figurative Language:**
 - a. Personification Lesson **Taught 10/30, 11/1, and 11/2**
 - b. **Pre-Test given 10/30**
- 4. Compare/Contrast:**
 - a. Choose a character and do a Venn diagram to compare yourself to the character
 - b. Illustrate and label the similarities and differences
 - c. Barnyard Personalities (using descriptive language)
- 5. Adjectives Lesson:**
 - a. Just the right word worksheet (cutting out magazine adjectives)
 - b. Hands-on descriptive mystery bags
 - c. Wilbur Acrostic Poem
 - d. Spider web friend poem using adjectives
- 6. Creative Writing: writing a fictional story**
 - a. Building a story worksheet (story map)
 - b. Incorporate figurative language (simile, metaphor, personification...)
 - c. Write a fictional story using the story map as a guide
- 7. Reader's Theatre: Charlotte's Web**
 - a. Students will read and perform chapters from the story utilizing props
 - b. Students will read with expression and appropriate voices
 - c. Give Post-Test
- 8. Computer fun**
 - a. Charlotte's Web Millionaire Game <http://www.quia.com/rr/8874.html>
 - b. Interactive game day (students will go to the computer lab and play online educational Charlotte's Web themed games with partners)
<http://www.charlotteswebresources.com/#>