

FIRST GRADING PERIOD

WEEK	THEME	STANDARD	BENCHMARK	GRADE LE	VEL INDICATORS	TEXT CONNECTION	ENGLISH LANUAGE ARTS STANDARDS/ BENCHMARKS	SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS/ BENCHMARKS
1-10	Beginning Acting Skills	Creative Expression and Communication	A: Use basic acting skills (e.g., voice, posture, movement, language) to develop characterizations.	GLI 1:	and voice of a character in both comedic and dramatic situations. Use sensory and memorization skills to create a character.	Week 1 Chapter 1 Getting to Know You An Introduction to Theatre Weeks 2-3 Chapter 2 Believing in yourself Working with a Group Week 4 Chapter 2 Artistic Discipline Evaluation Week 5 Chapter 3 Imagination Concentration Observation Week 6 Chapter 3 Sensory Awareness Movement Week 7 Chapter 4 Creative Drama	Communication: Oral and Visual GLI 6: Use clear diction and tone, and adjust volume, phrasing and tempo to stress important ideas. GLI 7: Adjust speaking content and style according to the needs of the situation, setting and audience.	

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					Week 8 Chapter 4 Narrative Pantomime		
					Week 9 Chapter 4 • Story Dramatization		
					Week 10 Chapter 6 • Improvisation		
		Analyzing and Responding	A: Use appropriate dramatic/ theatrical vocabulary, elements and principles.	GLI 1: Demonstrate accurate use of dramatic/theatrical vocabulary, elements and principles.			



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1-4	Production Styles	Historical, Cultural and Social Contexts	A: Explain the style of a dramatic/ theatrical work in historical or cultural context.	GLI 1:	Discuss Production Styles. Discuss the production styles of various cultures.	Several examples in text. Chapter 8 • Structure of Plays	Reading Applications: Literary Text GLI 6: Explain the defining characteristics of literary forms and genres, including poetry, drama, myths, biographies, autobiographies, fiction and non-fiction.	People in Societies GLI 1: Compare the cultural practices and products of the societies studied including: Class structure; Gender roles; Beliefs; Customs and traditions.
		Analyzing and Responding	B: Discuss the collaborative nature of drama/theatre as a vehicle for expression of ideas.	GLI 1:	Examine how theatrical artists (e.g., actors, directors, playwrights) convey an idea or message.	Chapter 8 • Elements of a Play Chapter 15 • Preparing the Material	Reading Applications: Literary Text GLI 5: Identify recurring themes, patterns and symbols found in literature from different eras and cultures.	
5-6		Connections, Relationships, and Applications	C: Identify recurring drama/theatre ideas and concepts that occur across time periods and/or cultures.	GLI 1:	Identify examples of how drama/ theatre, broadcast media and film/ video can influence or be influenced by politics and culture.	Chapter 12 Comparing theatre with other Media Evaluating Theatre and Media	Reading Process GLI 3: Make critical comparisons across texts, noting author's style as well as literal and implied content of text.	
7-9		Historical, Cultural and Social Contexts	A: Explain the style of a dramatic/ theatrical work in historical or cultural context.	GLI 2:	Read, discuss and/or perform a play written in a time period.		Reading Applications: Literary Text: GLI 1: Analyze the techniques authors use to describe	

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						characters, including narrator or other characters' point of view; character's own thoughts, words or actions. GLI 2: Identify the features of setting and explain their importance in literary text. GLI 3: Identify the main and minor events of the plot, and explain how each incident gives rise to the next. GLI 7: Distinguish how an author establishes mood and meaning through word choice, figurative language and syntax.	
		Analyzing and Responding	C: Articulate opinions about dramatic/ theatrical work using established criteria.	GLI 1: Evaluate a theatrical artists (e.g., actors, directors, playwrights) effectiveness in conveying a message.		Communication: Oral and Visual GLI 3: Interpret the speaker's purpose in presentations and visual media (e.g., to inform, to entertain, to persuade).	



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1-4	Roles and Responsibilities	Creative Expression and Communication	C: Explore the roles and responsibilities of various theatrical personnel.	GLI 2:	Explain the roles and responsibilities of a director, scenic designer, lighting designer, costume designer, make-up designer, properties master/mistress, choreographer and sound designer.	 Chapter 13 Playwrights and Actors Producers and Directors Designers Other Careers 	Communication: Oral and Visual GLI 6: Use clear diction and tone, and adjust volume, phrasing and tempo to stress important ideas. GLI 7: Adjust speaking content and style according to the needs of the situation, setting and audience.	
		Connections, Relationships, and Applications	D: Discuss drama/ theatre skills as a foundation for lifelong learning and potential employment.	GLI 1:	Describe the roles and responsibilities of performing and technical artists in drama/theatre, film/video and broadcast media.	Chap. 13 Playwrights and Actors Producers and Directors Designers Other Careers		
5-6		Historical, Cultural and Social Contexts	B: Compare and contrast playwrights and/or screenwriters from various time periods.	GLI 1:	Compare the work of a playwright and a screenwriter.		Reading Process GLI 3: Make critical comparisons across texts, noting author's style as well as literal and implied content of text.	
7-9	Artistic Process	Connections, Relationships, and Applications	A: Discover the interdependence of theatre and other art forms.	GLI 1:	Compare and contrast various art forms and their creative processes to those of drama/theatre.	Chapter 10 • The Production Process		



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1-3	Create, perform and critique an original script	Creative Expression and Communication	D: Create scripted scenes based on personal experience and heritage.	GLI 1:	Write a scripted scene that uses a plot pyramid, develops characters and employs vivid language to create a setting.	Chapter 18 • Writing a puppet show	Writing Process GLI 1: Generate writing ideas through discussions with others and from printed material, and keep a list of writing ideas. GLI 4: Determine a purpose and audience. GLI 5: Use organizational strategies (e.g., rough outlines, diagrams, amps, webs and Venn diagrams) to plan writing. GLI 9: Vary language and style as appropriate to audience an purpose. GLI 10: Use available technology to compose text. GLI 11: Reread and analyze clarity of writing.	Social Studies Skills and Methods GLI 7: Work effectively to achieve group goals: Engage in active listening; Provide feedback in a constructive manner; Help establish group goals; Take various roles within the group; Recognize contributions of others.
4-6		Creative Expression and Communication	B: Explain the functions and interrelated nature of scenery, props, lighting, sound, costumes and makeup to create an	GLI 1:	Design various technical components (e.g. scenery, sound, lighting, costume design, properties, makeup) for a particular	Chapter 18 • Making a Puppet • Producing a Puppet Show		

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			environment appropriate for drama.		story/scene.			
7-8		Connections, Relationships, and Applications	B: Explain the relationship between concepts and skills used in drama/theatre with other curricular subjects.	GLI 1:	Use dramatic /theatrical skills to communicate concepts or ideas from other academic content areas.	Chapter 18 • Bringing a puppet to life		
9-10		Analyzing and Responding	C: Articulate opinions about dramatic/theatric al work using established criteria.	GLI 1:	Evaluate a theatrical artist's (e.g., actors, directors, playwrights) effectiveness in conveying a message.		Communication: Oral and Visual GLI 3: Interpret the speaker's purpose in presentations and visual media (e.g., to inform, to entertain, to persuade).	
		Valuing Drama/Theatre/ Aesthetic Reflection	A: Defend personal responses to a drama/theatre event.	GLI 1:	Apply personal criteria to respond to a drama/theatre work, experience or event.		Writing Process GLI 16: apply tools (e.g., rubric, checklist and feedback) to judge the quality of writing.	
		Valuing Drama/Theatre/ Aesthetic Reflection	B: Compare their personal responses to a drama/theatre event with the response of another person.	GLI 1:	Identify factors that cause changes in opinions about a drama/theatre work or experience.		Communication: Oral and Visual GLI 1: Demonstrate active listening strategies (e.g., asking focused questions, responding to cues, making visual contact).	