CURRICULUM CONTENT

Reading

1. The Birth of the Mall
   - Read about the origin of the modern shopping mall and the refugee architect who created it
   - Learn to preview a reading text in order to predict what it will be about
   - Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit: academy approach concept construct couple enhance function partner pose publication range region select simulate uniform

2. Megacities
   - Read about the development of modern cities and regional megacities – and what the future holds for urban life around the globe
   - Practice identifying and outlining main ideas in a reading section
   - Increase the understanding of the target academic words for this unit: communicate define despite extract globe major migrate network perspective rely remove source status survive

3. In the Public Eye
   - Read about some public art exhibits and the issues they raise for artists and communities
   - Learn how to skim a reading for main ideas and make predictions before reading
   - Learn how to scan a reading after you read it to check if your predictions were correct
   - Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit: comment criteria ethnic fund goal guideline inspect interpret legislate mutual ongoing policy rational topic

4. Staying Alive
   - Read about public health, life expectancy, and the impact of vaccination around the world
   - Read and interpret data in charts, graphs, and tables
5. Bodies in Motion

- Read about the latest developments in photographic motion studies conducted for science, industry, medicine, athletics, and art
- Practice summarizing a text, including any accompanying images
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Abstract appreciate available display drama encounter expose hence image restore sequence series transit version visible

6. The Physics of Fun

- Read about the engineering behind the development of amusement park rides.
- Draw conclusions by inferring information from a text
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Adult automate brief credit distort draft input obtain paragraph prior regulate revise tradition violate

7. Mind Wide Open

- Read about the latest development in brain research
- Practice annotating and highlighting texts
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Attach chapter distinct induce initial insight integrity internal minor obvious scenario sphere trigger visual

8. Child Prodigies

- Read about child prodigies and the challenges they pose for their families and society
- Learn how to recognize and analyze comparison and contrast in a text
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Challenge concentrate considerable enormous environment expert factor focus intelligence normal pursue resource reveal technology utilize
9. The Competitive instinct

- Read about how competition has shaped business practices through time
- Gain familiarity with texts presented in timeline format
- Learn how to read timelines and take notes in timeline form
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Behalf classic commence commission contract correspond currency
devote flexible license mechanism parallel portion principle qualitative

10. Getting there

- Read about the latest developments in global navigation
- Identify and discuss metaphors
- Utilize online encyclopedias
- Increase the understanding of the target academic words for the unit:
  Assemble attribute chart crucial enable equivalent incidence item
  manual precise prohibit significant target vary

Writing

1. The Pathway to Freedom

- Write a personal narrative
- Practice taking notes and summarizing
- Practice developing paragraph unity

Learning outcomes:
Habitual past/simple past
Pronouns and possessive adjectives
Indentation
Capitalization
Quotation marks

2. What’s Your Verdict?

- Write a three-paragraph opinion essay
- Practice writing introductions, thesis statements, and conclusions

Learning outcomes:
Active and passive voice
Transitive and intransitive verbs

3. Men and Women: Nothing but the Facts

- practice understanding graphs and statistics
- practice using the language of statistics
- practice comparing and contrasting data

Learning outcomes

Contrasting verb tenses: the present perfect, simple past, and simple present.

4. The Best Time to Be Alive

- Practice explaining reasons
- Identify effective thesis statements
- Write topic sentences
- Create coherent paragraph order
- Choose the best conclusion

Learning outcomes

Adjective Clauses
Present unreal conditions

5. The Happiest School in the World

- Writing a classification essay
- Practice classifying information
- Practice writing a thesis statement
- Give examples in body paragraphs

Learning outcomes:

Parallel Structure
Quantifiers

6. Are you getting enough sleep?
• Write a cause-and-effect essay
• Categorize research notes
• Create body paragraphs from research notes
• Write transitional sentences

Learning outcomes

Subordinate clauses
Logical connectors
Sentence fragments
Run-on sentences and comma splices

7. How I’ll Become an American

• Write a satirical essay
• Use text references to support opinion
• Understand puns
• Write humorous details

Learning outcomes

Causatives
Participles

8. For and Against Bilingual Education

• Write an argumentative essay
• Defend one’s point of view
• Refute opposing views
• Concede to an opposing view and replying

Learning outcomes
Present unreal conditionals
Connectors for concession


• Write a comparison and contrast essay
• Write a business letter
• Use point-by-point organization
• Write transitional sentences

Learning outcomes

Connectors showing comparison and contrast
Direct and embedded questions
Noun clauses

10. The Tell-tale Heart

• Write an essay analyzing literature
• Write about plot, climax, narrative point of view, characters, setting, pace, mood, foreshadowing, irony, theme
• Support the interpretation with references and citations

Learning outcomes

Cause and effect
Simple Present and simple past verbs in an essay on literature