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**Learning Targets**

1.  
- Locate and select literature for an interpretation performance  
- Adapt literature for specific interpretation  
- Compare and contrast interpretation and acting
## Competitive Speaking and Interpretation

### Alignments:
- CCSS: 9-10.SL.1a,c,d; 9-10.SL.6
- Performance: 1.4, 1.8, 2.1, 2.4, 2.5
- Knowledge: (CA) 2
- NETS: 3
- DOK: 2

### Instructional Strategies
- Show sample scripts from previous performances and original source of script (books)
- Model cutting process from original source (book) to final script that is performed
- Teacher-led discussion about the difference between interpretation and acting

### Assessments/Evaluations
- Students will be graded on their cutting skills through their performances in class

### Sample Assessment Questions
- What does it mean to interpret literature?

### Instructional Resources/Tools
- Library
- National Forensic League videos:
  - DVD
  - website

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### Learning Targets
1. Select one of the following reading events and perform for the class:
   - Radio speaking
   - Prose reading
   - Poetry reading
Competitive Speaking and Interpretation

Alignments:
CCSS: 9-10.SL.1.a-d; 9-10.SL.6
Performance: 1.2, 1.5, 1.8, 2.1, 2.2, 2.5
Knowledge: (CA) 1-3,5,6
NETS: N/A
DOK: 4

Instructional Strategies

• Listen to a 5-minute radio broadcast and diagram how the information was given
• Detail how a radio broadcast should be structured:
  • World News
  • U.S. News
  • Local News
  • Sports
  • Weather
  • Interesting News
• Show samples of prose readings and poetry readings to evaluate what was said and where emphasis is placed during reading

Assessments/Evaluations

• Students will be required to perform a(n):
  • 5-minute radio speaking
  • 8-minute prose reading
  or
  • 8-minute poetry reading
  for the class. Scripts are not memorized

Sample Assessment Questions

• What makes a great radio broadcast?

Instructional Resources/Tools

• www.youtube.com
• Radio broadcasts
• Library
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• Humorous Interpretation  
• Dramatic Interpretation  
• Duo Interpretation |
Competitive Speaking and Interpretation

**Alignments:**
CCSS: 9-10.SL.1.a-d; 9-10.SL.6
Performance: 1.5, 2.1, 2.5
Knowledge: (CA) 1,2,5,6
NETS: N/A
DOK: 4

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**Instructional Strategies**

- Show students examples of:
  - humorous interpretation
  - dramatic interpretation
  - duo interpretation
    from National Forensic League DVDs
- Students will create a list about what each performance contains and then compare and contrast among the three events

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**Assessments/Evaluations**

- Students will perform their interpretations for the class. Performances will be under 5 minutes

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**Sample Assessment Questions**

- How can you make *Children of the Corn* humorous?

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**Instructional Resources/Tools**

- National Forensic League:
  - DVDs
  - website
  - www.youtube.com
  - Library

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**Learning Targets**

1.  
- Select a public speaking event from the list below and perform the event for the class:
  - Extemporaneous Speaking (United States or International)
  - Original Oratory
Alignments:
CCSS: 9-10.SL.1.a-d; 9-10.SL.6
Performance: 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.7, 1.8, 2.1, 2.3, 3.1, 3.5-3.8, 4.1, 4.4
Knowledge: (CA) 1,3,6
NETS: 3,4,5
DOK: 4

Instructional Strategies

• Demonstrate effective research techniques for:
  • extemporaneous speaking
  • original oratory
• Model how to set up:
  • extemporaneous speeches
  • oratories
• Show sample oratories and extemporaneous speeches
• Teacher-led discussion about how to use preparation time effectively in extemporaneous speaking

Assessments/Evaluations

• Students will present a 7-minute Extemporaneous speech or a 6-minute Oratory for the class. Both speeches must be memorized

Sample Assessment Questions

• What is the most effective way to persuade someone?

Instructional Resources/Tools

• Library
• www.cnn.com
• National Forensic League:
  • DVDs
  • website

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- DOK: 4

### Instructional Strategies
- Show sample scripts of:
  - Reader’s Theater
  - one-act plays
- Acting fundamentals and stage direction

### Assessments/Evaluations
- Students will present a 5-10 minute performance of:
  - Reader’s Theater
  - a one-act play

### Sample Assessment Questions
- What is the difference between Reader’s Theater and One-Act Play

### Instructional Resources/Tools
- Sample videos of Reader’s Theater on YouTube
- Library

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**Concept**

F.
- Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
- Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
- Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience’s knowledge of the topic.
- Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
- Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above)

**Learning Targets**

1.
- Students will prepare a prompt book based on their group interpretation performance containing the following:
  - Script analysis
  - Blocking
  - Motivation
  - Prop list
  - Costume list
  - Set design
  - Historical background

**Alignments:**
CCSS: 9-10.W.2.a-c; 9-10.W.4
Performance: 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.5, 1.8, 1.9, 2.1, 2.4, 4.5
Knowledge: (CA) 1-7
NETS: N/A
DOK: 4

**Instructional Strategies**

- Show sample prompt books and sample reports that will go into the prompt book
- Discuss difference in reports among students
## Assessments/Evaluations

- Students will be evaluated based on each report and the entirety of their prompt book

## Sample Assessment Questions

- How does a script yield so much information?

## Instructional Resources/Tools

- Library
- Laptops/computers

## Cross Curricular Connections

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