# CAR Unit Template

## Unit Title: ELA - Introduction to Essential Reading and Writing Skills - Unit 1 - Module A

**Grade level: Grade 8**

**Timeframe:**

## Essential Questions

## Standards

### Standards (Taught and Assessed)

**RL.8.1.** Cite the textual evidence and make relevant connections that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

**RL.8.2.** Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.

**RL.8.3.** Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story or drama propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision.

**RL.8.4.** Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.

**RL.8.10.** By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems at grade level text-complexity or above, scaffolding as needed.

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B. Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.

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C. Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others’ questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.

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D. Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

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A. Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word’s position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

**L.8.5.** Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

A. Interpret figures of speech (e.g. verbal irony, puns) in context.

### Highlighted Career Ready Practices and 21st Century Themes/Skills

### Social-Emotional Learning Competencies

## Instructional Plan

Pre-Assessment and Reflection

| **Pre-Assessment** | **Modifications (ELL, Special Education, Gifted, At-risk of Failure, 504) and Reflections** |
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Student Learning Objectives (SLO), Strategies, Formative Assessment, Activities and Resources (add rows as needed)

| **SLO – WALT****We are learning to/that** | **Student Strategies** | **Formative Assessment** | **Activities and Resources** | **Modifications (ELL, Special Education, Gifted, At-risk of Failure, 504) and Reflections** |
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| **RL.8.1. - WALT** cite textual evidence that most strongly supports analysis of what the text says explicitly |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** cite textual evidence that most strongly supports analysis of inferences drawn from the text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** make relevant connections that most strongly support analysis of what the text says explicitly |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** make relevant connections that most strongly support analysis of inferences drawn from the text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** citing is a specific way of quoting textual evidence (citations mention the source of quoted text) |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** there are different types of connections |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** there are explicit and implicit meanings that can be drawn from a text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** relevant connections and text evidence are used to make inferences |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** analysis is based on inferences made from text evidence and relevant connections |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** draw inferences from the text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.1. - WALT** pieces of textual evidence vary in strength and relevance |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** determine a theme/central idea |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** analyze the theme’s relationship to character |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** analyze the theme’s relationship to setting |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** analyze the theme’s relationship to plot |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** provide an objective summary of the text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** there is a difference between theme and central idea |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** themes have a relationship with characters, setting, and plot |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** authors develop a theme or central idea over the course of a text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.2. - WALT** summaries are objective and free from opinion or analysis |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** dialogue can propel the actions of a story, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke decisions |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** incidents (specific events) propel the actions of a story, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke decisions |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** analyze how lines of dialogue propel action in the story |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** analyze how dialogue reveals aspects of a character |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** analyze how dialogue helps provoke a decision |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** analyze how incidents in the story propel action |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3. - WALT** analyze how incidents in the story reveal aspects of a character |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.3 - WALT** analyze how incidents in the story provoke a decision |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** determine the meaning of words and phrases as used in a text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** determine the meaning of figurative language and connotative language as used in a text |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** analyze the impact of word choice on meaning and tone |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** words have figurative and connotative meanings |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** specific word choices in a text has an impact on meaning and tone |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.4. - WALT** analogies and allusions to other texts affect meaning and tone |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.10. - WALT** read and comprehend literature, stories, drama, and poems, at grade level text- complexity or above |  |  |  |  |
| **RL.8.10. - WALT** texts differ in complexity |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1. - WALT** building on others’ ideas and expressing our own clearly helps us engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1. - WALT** engage effectively in a range of discussions, such as one-on-one, in-groups, and teacher-led |  |  |  |  |
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| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** being prepared by researching the material helps us engage in effective collaborative discussions |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** build on others’ idea |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** express our own [ideas] clearly |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** come to discussions prepared by reading or researching materials |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** explicitly draw on our reading/research preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.A - WALT** probe and reflect on ideas under discussion |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.B - WALT** having rules for decision-making, helps us engage in collaborative discussions |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.B - WALT** follow rules for decision-making |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.B - WALT** track progress toward specific goals and deadlines |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.C - WALT** posing questions that connect other speakers’ ideas help engage in collaborative discussions |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.C - WALT** pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.C - WALT** respond to others’ questions and comments with relevant evidence |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.D - WALT** acknowledging new information expressed by others and, when warranted, qualifying or justifying our own views in light of the evidence presented helps us engage in collaborative discussion |  |  |  |  |
| **SL.8.1.D - WALT** qualify or justify our own views in light of the evidence presented |  |  |  |  |
| **L.8.4. – WALT** the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words can be determined through different contexts, such as its position in a sentence |  |  |  |  |
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| **L.8.4. – WALT** determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies |  |  |  |  |
| **L.8.4.A – WALT** use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word’s position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase |  |  |  |  |
| **L.8.5.A – WALT** words carry different meanings depending on how they are used |  |  |  |  |
| **L.8.5.A – WALT** interpret figures of speech (e.g. verbal irony, puns) in context |  |  |  |  |

Benchmark Assessment 1

| **Benchmark Assessment** | **Modifications (ELL, Special Education, Gifted, At-risk of Failure, 504) and Reflections**  |
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Benchmark Assessment 2

| **Benchmark Assessment**  | **Modifications (ELL, Special Education, Gifted, At-risk of Failure, 504) and Reflections** |
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Summative Assessments (add rows as needed)

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Interdisciplinary Connections

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