

Anoka-Hennepin Secondary Curriculum Unit Plan

Department:	ELA	Course:	Theater I	Unit 6 Title:	Playwright	Grade Level(s):	6-8
Assessed Trimester:	Trimester 2	Pacing:	Full Year (every other day)	Date Created:	10/22/2013	Last Revision Date:	6/16/2014

Course Understandings: <i>Students will understand that:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Theater has various elements that have to be analyzed such as plot, theme, and character.Theater is a tool that can be used to share varying personal, social, cultural or historical experiences.When an actor or playwright creates a character they should address the character’s physical attributes, emotional attributes, social life, psychological, and personal history (i.e. family, education)A playwright needs to understand the format of script writing as well as standard plot structure (i.e. exposition, rising action, climax)
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DESIRED RESULTS (Stage 1) - WHAT WE WANT STUDENT TO KNOW AND BE ABLE TO DO?

Established Goals	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">6.1.1.4.1: Analyze the elements of theater including plot, theme, character, language, sound, and spectacle.6.2.1.4.1: Create scripts, characters and designs in a variety of theater contexts.	
Transfer	
Students will be able to independently use their learning to: (product, high order reasoning) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Write an original play using proper play format and the elements of; focus, emphasis, point of view, dramatic structure, and dramatic emphasis.	
Meaning	
Unit Understanding(s): Students will understand that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">A playwright has many tasks and responsibilitiesA good play has several different elementsArtistic inspiration comes from a variety of contexts	Essential Question(s): Students will keep considering: <ul style="list-style-type: none">
Acquisition	
Knowledge - Students will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify the tasks and responsibilities of the playwrightUnderstand the elements of a good play Reasoning - Students will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Make a decision when writing a play	Skills - Students will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Create an original play in script formatUse standardized play format

Common Misunderstandings <ul style="list-style-type: none">	Essential new vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none">focusemphasispoint of viewdramatic structuredramatic emphasis
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