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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	RL.2.	Determine central ideas (RI) or themes (RL) of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	RL.9- 10.2.	Determine a theme of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Talk

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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	RL.3.	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	RL.9- 10.3.	Analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Review Book Taco survey questions about how the student experienced the book and their overall rating of the characters, plot, and appeal. Chapter Notes One page chapter notes organizer helps students organize characters and events for each chapter read. Compare & Contrast Characters Template and word bank for the analysis of two characters' similarities and differences. Paragraph Writing Prompts Students can view and select from a variety of different writing prompts. Once their paragraph(s) is ready it can be submitted for review/grading. Plot Diagram Students organize the elements of a narrative text by identifying the exposition, rising action, the climax, the main events of the falling action and the resolution. Point Of View! Assess the level of a student's thinking about the reading and their ability to support conclusions with text-based evidence. Story Mapping The describe the characters, setting, beginning, middle and end of the story.
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ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	RL.9- 10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Sentence Completion</u> Matching exercise challenges the understanding of the appropriate contextual usage of the words. <u>Word Introduction</u> Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage. <u>Word Jumble</u> Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience.

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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	RL.5.	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	RL.9- 10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it, and manipulate time create effects such as mystery, tension, or surprise. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Plot Diagram</u> Students organize the elements of a narrative text by identifying the exposition, rising action, the climax, the main events of the falling action and the resolution. <u>Retell The Story</u> Practice summarizing and retelling the story (writing or pictures) by challenging students to identify main ideas, themes, and key details. <u>Story Mapping</u> The describe the characters, setting, beginning, middle and end of the story.
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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	RL.10.	Read and understand complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently, connecting prior knowledge and experiences to text.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	RL.9- 10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and understand literature within the 9-10 text complexity band proficiently and independently for sustained periods of time. Connect prior knowledge and experiences to text. By the end of grade 10, read and understand literature at the high end of the 9-10 text complexity band proficiently and independently for sustained periods of time. Connect prior knowledge and experiences to text. BookTaco Book Notes Opportunity for students to submit their thoughts, feelings, insight and observations on a book. Once submitted, Book Notes is marked completed and game coins earned with the notes appearing in the teacher's Reports page ready for review and assessment. Book Quiz Multiple choice based comprehension questions allowing teachers to customize test settings including passing score, number of attempts, and day of the week. Quiz questions are shuffled and randomized to maintain testing integrity. Book Review Book Taco survey questions about how the student experienced the book and their overall rating of the characters, plot, and appeal. Book Talk Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice. Chapter Notes One page chapter notes organizer helps students organize characters and events for each chapter read. Compare & Contrast Characters Template and word bank for the analysis of two characters' similarities and differences. Draw It! Fun activity where students get to express their creativity by drawing their favorite parts of books and providing description. Paragraph Writing Prompts Students organize the elements of a narrative text by identifying the exposition, rising action, the climax, the main events of the falling action and the resolution. Point Of Wew! Assess the level of a student's thinking about the reading and their ability to support conclusions with text-based evidence. Retell The Story Practice summarizing and rete
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CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.W.	WRITING
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	W.5.	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	W.9-10.5.	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Notes Opportunity for students to submit their thoughts, feelings, insight and

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CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.W.	WRITING
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	W.6.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	W.9-10.6.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Notes Opportunity for students to submit their thoughts, feelings, insight and observations on a book. Once submitted, Book Notes is marked completed and game coins earned with the notes appearing in the teacher's Reports page ready for review and assessment.
CONTENT AREA /STRAND	NC.SL.	SPEAKING AND LISTENING
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	SL.1.	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one- on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9–10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well- reasoned exchange of ideas. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Book Talk</u> Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice. Nonfiction Text Features Encourage your students to review nonfiction books for text features and discuss the impact and significance of each.
CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.1.b.	Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Talk Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice. Nonfiction Text Features Encourage your students to review nonfiction books for text features and discuss the impact and significance of each.
CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.1.c.	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Book Talk</u> Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice. Nonfiction Text Features Encourage your students to review nonfiction books for text features and discuss the impact and significance of each.
CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.1.d.	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Talk

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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	SL.5.	Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	SL.9- 10.5.	Make strategic use of digital media in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. <u>BookTaco</u> Book Talk Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice.
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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band grammar continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; demonstrate proficiency within the 9-12 grammar continuum. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Sample Unscramble Sentence</u> These scrambled sentences are a great way to teach and reinforce vocabulary, sentence structure, and grammar. <u>Word Introduction</u> Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage.
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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 9- 12 conventions continuum. BookTaco Hear It Say It Write It Word pronunciation with student modeling along with word writing in print or cursive. Word Introduction Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage. Word Jumble Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience. Word Ladder Interactive exercise deepening knowledge of new words, boosting working memory and increasing student exposure.
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ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.4.	Determine and/or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies: context clues, word parts, word relationships, and reference materials.
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CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9- 10.5.b.	Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.
		<u>BookTaco</u> Definition Matching Definition matching exercise leveraging high level engagement with pronunciation reinforcement.
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STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
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