



# STARK STATE COLLEGE

## GENERAL SYLLABUS

### Course Information

**Course Name:** Critical Analysis  
**Course Number:** IDS102

### Required Materials

**Textbook(s):** *Bridging the Gap*. Authors: Smith, Brenda, D. and LeeAnn Morris Available from: Stark State College, (13th Edition). Pearson Education (US), 2019. This course will provide students with Instant Access. Instant Access is a platform for delivering digital course materials for certain courses at a discounted rate.

**Required Readings:** None  
**Additional Materials:** None

### Course Outline/Calendar

The date of coverage and order of coverage may be modified based on the faculty member and events beyond the control of faculty members that interfere with class times and teaching.

#### 16 Week Calendar

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4	<p><b>Read Chapter Two</b></p> <p>Read all of Chapter Two in your textbook to prepare for the upcoming tasks.</p> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Two Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due <b>Monday</b>. Review and complete the vocabulary guide for Chapter Two.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due <b>Tuesday</b>. Ensure that you fully understand the key concepts and skills from the chapter.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes for Chapter Two due wednesday</b></p> <p><b>Take the Chapter Two Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The quiz will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Make sure to complete it before the deadline.</li> </ul>
5	<p><b>Read Chapter Three</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read the entire Chapter Three in your textbook to prepare for the upcoming tasks.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Three Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due <b>Monday</b>. Make sure to complete the vocabulary guide for Chapter Three.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due <b>Tuesday</b>. Review the key concepts and apply them in your practice sheet.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes for Chapter Three</b></p>

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6	<p><b>Read Chapter Four</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thoroughly read Chapter Four in your textbook to prepare for the assignments.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on the <b>Vocabulary (Determining Meaning from Context)</b> for this week's Mastery Skill Assessment.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Four Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Due Monday</b>. Be sure to complete the vocabulary guide for Chapter Four, paying special attention to context-based word meanings.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Due Tuesday</b>. Apply the concepts and vocabulary you've learned in Chapter Four to the practice sheet.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes for Chapter Four</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Due Wednesday</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take the Chapter Four Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The quiz will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to take the quiz during the allotted time.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Week Five Assignments: Review and Mastery Test</b></p> <p><b>Review for Mastery Skill Test Over Chapters 1-4</b></p> <p>Review all materials from Chapters 1 through 4, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Vocabulary Guides</li> <li>▪ Text and Skill Practice Sheets</li> <li>▪ Notes</li> <li>▪ Quizzes</li> </ul> <p><b>Work on Mastery Skill Assessments (Labs)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Continue working on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments (Labs)</b> to ensure you are prepared. Make sure you've completed all previous assessments, as only the higher score for each skill will be counted.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Mastery Test One Over Chapters 1-4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The <b>Mastery Test</b> for Chapters 1-4 will assess your understanding of the concepts and skills covered so far.</li> <li>○ <b>Be sure to take your time</b> and review your answers before submitting.</li> <li>○ After completing the test, <b>upload your answers</b> to the dropbox as instructed.</li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Read Chapter Five</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read through <b>Chapter Five</b> thoroughly to understand the concepts about <b>Main Idea</b> and <b>Supporting Details</b>. Focus on the key skills of identifying the <b>topic</b> and <b>main idea</b>, as well as recognizing <b>supporting details</b> that back up the main ideas.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b> for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Main Idea</b> (Identifying Topic and Main Idea)</li> <li>○ <b>Supporting Details</b> (Identifying Supporting Details)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Complete these assessments to reinforce the skills you will be tested on.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Five Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocabulary guide for Chapter Five is due <b>Monday</b>. Make sure to define all key terms related to the chapter's content.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The practice sheet for Chapter Five is due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will help you apply the knowledge gained from reading the chapter and will prepare you for the quiz.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your notes for Chapter Five are due <b>Wednesday</b>. <b>Take Chapter Five Quiz</b></li> <li>The <b>Chapter Five Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to review your notes, vocabulary guide, and practice sheet before taking the quiz.</li> </ul>
9	<p><b>Read Chapter Six</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read through <b>Chapter Six</b> carefully, focusing on understanding the different <b>Patterns of Organization</b>. This includes identifying how texts are structured, such as cause and effect, compare and contrast, chronological order, and more.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> for <b>Patterns of Organization</b> to solidify your understanding of how texts are organized and how to recognize these patterns while reading.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Six Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The vocabulary guide for Chapter Six is due <b>Monday</b>. Make sure you define all key terms related to the chapter's concepts, especially those involving different organizational structures in writing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The practice sheet for Chapter Six is due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will give you the opportunity to apply the knowledge you've gained from the chapter to practice identifying patterns of organization in text.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your notes for Chapter Six are due <b>Wednesday</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Six Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Six Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Review your notes, vocabulary, and practice sheet before taking the quiz to ensure you understand the key concepts of the chapter.</li> </ul>
10	<p><b>Read Chapter Seven</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read <b>Chapter Seven</b> thoroughly, focusing on the skill of <b>Making Inferences</b>. Understand how to draw logical conclusions from text details and use background knowledge to fill in gaps in the information.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Making Inferences</b>. This will help you practice identifying clues in texts and using them to draw conclusions that are not explicitly stated.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Seven Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The vocabulary guide for <b>Chapter Seven</b> is due <b>Monday</b>. Be sure to define and familiarize yourself with key terms related to inference, context clues, and reasoning.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Seven</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will allow you to apply the concept of inference and work on drawing conclusions from various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Seven</b> are due <b>Wednesday</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Seven Quiz</b></p>

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11	<p><b>Read Chapter Eight</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read <b>Chapter Eight</b>, which focuses on <b>Point of View</b>. Pay particular attention to how the author's perspective influences the content and tone of a text. Understand the relationship between <b>author's purpose, tone, and bias</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Point of View</b>. This will cover recognizing an author's purpose, tone, and understanding how author bias may shape the message of the text.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Eight Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Eight Vocabulary Guide</b> is due <b>Monday</b>. Be sure to focus on terms related to point of view, such as <b>perspective, bias, and tone</b>, and understand their application in identifying how an author conveys their message.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Eight</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will help reinforce your understanding of identifying point of view, tone, and bias in various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Create Your Own Notes for Chapter Eight</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create comprehensive <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Eight</b> that cover all the key concepts. These are due <b>Wednesday</b>. Use your own words to summarize the content and create examples to help illustrate the points about author bias, tone, and purpose.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Eight Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Eight Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Review your notes, vocabulary, and the key concepts from the chapter to prepare for the quiz.</li> </ul>
12	<p><b>Read Chapter Nine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read <b>Chapter Nine</b>, which covers <b>Fact and Opinion</b>. Focus on understanding the differences between facts (which can be proven) and opinions (which reflect personal beliefs or feelings). Be prepared to identify both in various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Fact and Opinion</b>. This will test your ability to distinguish between factual statements and subjective opinions, an important skill in critical reading and analysis.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Nine Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Chapter Nine Vocabulary Guide</b>, due <b>Monday</b>. Focus on vocabulary that will help you differentiate between facts and opinions in different contexts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Nine</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This sheet will give you practice identifying facts and opinions in sample texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Create Your Own Notes for Chapter Nine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create comprehensive <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Nine</b>, due <b>Wednesday</b>. Summarize the key concepts and include examples of fact versus opinion. This is a critical step in reinforcing your understanding of the chapter.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Nine Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Nine Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to review your notes, the vocabulary guide, and the practice sheets to help you prepare.</li> </ul>

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13	<p><b>Read Chapter Ten</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read <b>Chapter Ten</b>, which covers <b>Critical Thinking</b> and <b>Combined Skills</b>. Focus on understanding the principles of critical thinking, such as evaluating arguments, analyzing evidence, and applying reasoning in decision-making. Review any strategies for combining various reading and thinking skills effectively.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Critical Thinking</b> and <b>Combined Skills</b>. This assessment will test your ability to apply critical thinking strategies to analyze information and make well-reasoned conclusions.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Ten Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Chapter Ten Vocabulary Guide</b>, and <b>Unit II Review Sheet</b> due <b>Monday</b>. This will help reinforce important terminology related to critical thinking and logical reasoning.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Ten</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This sheet will give you practice applying critical thinking strategies to sample texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Create Your Own Notes for Chapter Ten</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create comprehensive <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Ten</b>, due <b>Wednesday</b>. Include key points about critical thinking and combine them with examples of how to apply these skills in real-world situations.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Ten Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Ten Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to review your notes, vocabulary guide, and practice sheet before taking the quiz.</li> </ul>
14	<p><b>Review Chapters 5-10</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take time to review all the material from <b>Chapters 5 through 10</b>, focusing on key skills and concepts. Make sure you're comfortable with each chapter's objectives, such as identifying main ideas, analyzing patterns of organization, making inferences, recognizing point of view, distinguishing fact and opinion, and applying critical thinking.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete Mastery Skill Assessments (LABS)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Finish up all Mastery Skill Assessments (LABS)</b>. If any assessments are incomplete, they will default to a "0" at the end of this week, so it's crucial to finish them before the deadline. Review the instructions for each skill and make sure you've submitted the highest score for each test, as only the highest score will count toward your final grade.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Test II</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin reviewing the concepts from <b>Chapters 5 through 10</b> in preparation for <b>Mastery Test II</b>. This test will cover both <b>vocabulary</b> and <b>comprehension</b> skills from these chapters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Vocabulary</b>: Review your vocabulary guides and the vocabulary quizzes for each chapter.</li> <li><b>Comprehension</b>: Review any practice worksheets, quizzes, and notes you've completed, especially those that test skills like main idea identification, inference-making, and critical thinking.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Additional Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take advantage of any additional study resources provided, such as <b>jeopardy games</b> or practice tests. These are great for reinforcing your knowledge and test-taking strategies.</li> <li>You can also use the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b> as practice for the <b>Mastery Test II</b>.</li> </ul>
15	<p><b>Complete Mastery II Test</b></p> <p>The test will cover both <b>vocabulary</b> and <b>comprehension</b> from Chapters 5-10. It will likely have different sections that focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vocabulary: Understanding and applying the terms you've learned in context.</li> <li>Comprehension: Answering questions that test your ability to analyze text, make inferences, and recognize main ideas and supporting details.</li> </ul> <p><b>** Test-Taking Tips</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Read carefully:</b> Pay attention to the details in each question.</li> <li><b>Check your answers:</b> After completing the test, go back and review your responses to ensure they're accurate and well-supported by the text.</li> <li><b>Manage your time:</b> Make sure to pace yourself so you can thoroughly review your answers before submitting.</li> </ul>
16	<b>Complete course evaluation Finals Week</b>

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	<p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Due Tuesday.</b> Apply the concepts and vocabulary you've learned in Chapter Four to the practice sheet.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes for Chapter Four</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Due Wednesday.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Take the Chapter Four Quiz</b></p> <p>The quiz will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to take the quiz during the allotted time.</p>
4	<p><b>Week Five Assignments: Review and Mastery Test</b></p> <p><b>Review for Mastery Skill Test Over Chapters 1-4</b></p> <p>Review all materials from Chapters 1 through 4, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Vocabulary Guides</li> <li>▪ Text and Skill Practice Sheets</li> <li>▪ Notes</li> <li>▪ Quizzes</li> </ul> <p><b>Work on Mastery Skill Assessments (Labs)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Continue working on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments (Labs)</b> to ensure you are prepared. Make sure you've completed all previous assessments, as only the higher score for each skill will be counted.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Mastery Test One Over Chapters 1-4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The <b>Mastery Test</b> for Chapters 1-4 will assess your understanding of the concepts and skills covered so far.</li> <li>○ <b>Be sure to take your time</b> and review your answers before submitting.</li> <li>○ After completing the test, <b>upload your answers</b> to the dropbox as instructed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Read Chapter Five</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read through <b>Chapter Five</b> thoroughly to understand the concepts about <b>Main Idea</b> and <b>Supporting Details</b>. Focus on the key skills of identifying the <b>topic</b> and <b>main idea</b>, as well as recognizing <b>supporting details</b> that back up the main ideas.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b> for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Main Idea</b> (Identifying Topic and Main Idea)</li> <li>○ <b>Supporting Details</b> (Identifying Supporting Details)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Complete these assessments to reinforce the skills you will be tested on.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Five Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocabulary guide for Chapter Five is due <b>Monday</b>. Make sure to define all key terms related to the chapter's content.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The practice sheet for Chapter Five is due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will help you apply the knowledge gained from reading the chapter and will prepare you for the quiz.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your notes for Chapter Five are due <b>Wednesday</b>. <b>Take Chapter Five Quiz</b></li> </ul> <p>The <b>Chapter Five Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to review your notes, vocabulary guide, and practice sheet before taking the quiz.</p>
5	<p><b>Read Chapter Six</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read through <b>Chapter Six</b> carefully, focusing on understanding the different <b>Patterns of Organization</b>. This includes identifying how texts are structured, such as cause and effect, compare and contrast, chronological order, and more.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work on the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> for <b>Patterns of Organization</b> to solidify your understanding of how texts are organized and how to recognize these patterns while reading.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Six Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocabulary guide for Chapter Six is due <b>Monday</b>. Make sure you define all key terms related to the chapter's concepts, especially those involving different organizational structures in writing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The practice sheet for Chapter Six is due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will give you the opportunity to apply the knowledge you've gained from the chapter to practice identifying patterns of organization in text.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your notes for Chapter Six are due <b>Wednesday</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Six Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Chapter Six Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Review your notes, vocabulary, and practice sheet before taking the quiz to ensure you understand the key concepts of the chapter.</li> </ul> <p><b>Read Chapter Seven</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read Chapter Seven thoroughly, focusing on the skill of Making Inferences. Understand how to draw logical conclusions from text details and use background knowledge to fill in gaps in the information.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Making Inferences</b>. This will help you practice identifying clues in texts and using them to draw conclusions that are not explicitly stated.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Seven Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocabulary guide for <b>Chapter Seven</b> is due <b>Monday</b>. Be sure to define and familiarize yourself with key terms related to inference, context clues, and reasoning.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Seven</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will allow you to apply the concept of inference and work on drawing conclusions from various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Notes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Seven</b> are due <b>Wednesday</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Seven Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Chapter Seven Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Review your notes and vocabulary to ensure you're prepared for the quiz.</li> </ul>
6	<p><b>Read Chapter Eight</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read <b>Chapter Eight</b>, which focuses on <b>Point of View</b>. Pay particular attention to how the author's perspective influences the content and tone of a text. Understand the relationship between <b>author's purpose, tone, and bias</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Point of View</b>. This will cover recognizing an author's purpose, tone, and understanding how author bias may shape the message of the text.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Complete the Chapter Eight Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Eight Vocabulary Guide</b> is due <b>Monday</b>. Be sure to focus on terms related to point of view, such as <b>perspective, bias, and tone</b>, and understand their application in identifying how an author conveys their message.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Eight</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This will help reinforce your understanding of identifying point of view, tone, and bias in various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Create Your Own Notes for Chapter Eight</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create comprehensive <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Eight</b> that cover all the key concepts. These are due <b>Wednesday</b>. Use your own words to summarize the content and create examples to help illustrate the points about author bias, tone, and purpose.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Eight Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Eight Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Review your notes, vocabulary, and the key concepts from the chapter to prepare for the quiz.</li> </ul> <p><b>Read Chapter Nine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read <b>Chapter Nine</b>, which covers <b>Fact and Opinion</b>. Focus on understanding the differences between facts (which can be proven) and opinions (which reflect personal beliefs or feelings). Be prepared to identify both in various texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Mastery Skill Assessment</b> on <b>Fact and Opinion</b>. This will test your ability to distinguish between factual statements and subjective opinions, an important skill in critical reading and analysis.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Chapter Nine Vocabulary Guide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Chapter Nine Vocabulary Guide</b>, due <b>Monday</b>. Focus on vocabulary that will help you differentiate between facts and opinions in different contexts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete the Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the <b>Text and Skill Practice Sheet</b> for <b>Chapter Nine</b>, due <b>Tuesday</b>. This sheet will give you practice identifying facts and opinions in sample texts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Create Your Own Notes for Chapter Nine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create comprehensive <b>notes</b> for <b>Chapter Nine</b>, due <b>Wednesday</b>. Summarize the key concepts and include examples of fact versus opinion. This is a critical step in reinforcing your understanding of the chapter.</li> </ul> <p><b>Take Chapter Nine Quiz</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>Chapter Nine Quiz</b> will open <b>Thursday</b> and close <b>Friday</b>. Be sure to review your notes, the vocabulary guide, and the practice sheets to help you prepare.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Review Chapters 5-10</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take time to review all the material from <b>Chapters 5 through 10</b>, focusing on key skills and concepts. Make sure you're comfortable with each chapter's objectives, such as identifying main ideas, analyzing patterns of organization, making inferences, recognizing point of view, distinguishing fact and opinion, and applying critical thinking.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete Mastery Skill Assessments (LABS)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Finish up all Mastery Skill Assessments (LABS)</b>. If any assessments are incomplete, they will default to a "0" at the end of this week, so it's crucial to finish them before the deadline. Review the instructions for each skill and make sure you've submitted the highest score for each test, as only the highest score will count toward your final grade.</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Mastery Test II</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin reviewing the concepts from <b>Chapters 5 through 10</b> in preparation for <b>Mastery Test II</b>. This test will cover both <b>vocabulary</b> and <b>comprehension</b> skills from these chapters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Vocabulary:</b> Review your vocabulary guides and the vocabulary quizzes for each chapter.</li> <li>○ <b>Comprehension:</b> Review any practice worksheets, quizzes, and notes you've completed, especially those that test skills like main idea identification, inference-making, and critical thinking.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take advantage of any additional study resources provided, such as <b>jeopardy games</b> or practice tests. These are great for reinforcing your knowledge and test-taking strategies.</li> <li>• You can also use the <b>Mastery Skill Assessments</b> as practice for the <b>Mastery Test II</b>.</li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Complete Mastery II Test</b></p> <p>The test will cover both <b>vocabulary</b> and <b>comprehension</b> from Chapters 5-10. It will likely have different sections that focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Understanding and applying the terms you've learned in context.</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Answering questions that test your ability to analyze text, make inferences, and recognize main ideas and supporting details.</li> </ul> <p><b>** Test-Taking Tips</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Read carefully:</b> Pay attention to the details in each question.</li> <li>• <b>Check your answers:</b> After completing the test, go back and review your responses to ensure they're accurate and well-supported by the text.</li> <li>• <b>Manage your time:</b> Make sure to pace yourself so you can thoroughly review your answers before submitting.</li> </ul> <p><b>Complete course evaluation Finals Week</b></p>