

English 1: An Introduction

Week 1: **Plagiarism and Citations**

- Plagiarism discussion
- MLA Formatting
- MLA Citation
- Citing Sources

Week 2: **Verbs**

- Action verbs
- Verb tense and helping verbs
- Go through worksheets

https://englishlinx.com/verbs/verb_tenses/

Week 3: **Nouns**

- Common and Proper nouns
- Pronouns
- Plural noun
- Possessive nouns

<https://englishlinx.com/content-by-subject/grammar/parts-of-speech/noun/>

Week 4: **Adjectives**

- Choosing precise adjectives
- Demonstrative vs. Possessive vs. Descriptive adjectives

<https://englishlinx.com/adjectives/regular/>

Week 5: **Compare and Contrast Articles**

- Go over methods of comparing and contrasting articles/passages
- What things are most important to note when comparing and contrasting?
- Use this link

<https://www.lumoslearning.com/llwp/resources/free-math-english-worksheets/sample-worksheets.html?btn=start&type=Teacher&cur=1079&id=14770>

And discuss similarities and differences between the passages.

Week 6: **Compare and Contrast: Writing**

- Go over important elements of a compare and contrast essay
- What are things that are important to include when writing your own compare and contrast essay.
- Structure of a compare and contrast essay.
- Practice writing your own paragraph comparing and contrasting a topic of your choice

Week 7: **Non-Fiction Analysis**

- How to analyze/ Strategies to analyze non fiction texts
- Using context clues and resources withing the text (text boxes, indexes, glossaries)

- Read and analyze this text
<https://teacher.depaul.edu/Documents/ChangingtheEcosystemnonfiction8thgrade.pdf>
- Go over these questions about the text
https://teacher.depaul.edu/Prairie_Units/Changing_the_Ecosystem.pdf

Week 8: **Literary Devices: Similes**

- What is a simile?
- What is the purpose of a simile?
- Go over a few worksheets: <https://englishlinx.com/similes/>
- Have students practice writing their own similes

Week 9: **Literary Devices: Metaphors**

- What is a metaphor
- Purpose of a metaphor
- Metaphor vs. Simile
- Examples of metaphors; <https://englishlinx.com/metaphors/>
- Practice writing metaphors

Week 10: **Literary Devices: Alliteration, Personification, and Imagery**

- What is alliteration, personification, and imagery
- Examples of each
- Go over this worksheet <https://www.k12reader.com/worksheet/explain-the-personification/view/>
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- Have students write their own!

Week 11: **Analyzing Poetry**

- What to look for in poetry
- Discuss “The Steam Shovel” by Charles Malam
- Talk about the figurative language/literary devices in the poem
- Analyze the meaning of the imagery

Week 12: **Review and Wrap Up**