Unit Title	Recommended Instructional Days	
mist The Modern Journey	8-10 weeks	
Recommended Activ Interdisciplinary Conne Experiences to Explore M	ections, and/or Student	

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and place; how it sets a formal or	developed and refined by particular
informal tone).	sentences, paragraphs, or larger
	portions of a text (e.g., a section or
RL.9-10.5. Analyze how an author's	chapter).
choices concerning how to structure a	
text, order events within it (e.g.,	RI.9-10.6. Determine an author's
parallel plots), and manipulate time	point of view or purpose in a text and
(e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create	analyze how an author uses
specific effects (e.g. mystery, tension,	rhetorical devices to advance that
or surprise).	point of view or purpose.
RL.9-10.6. Analyze a particular point	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
of view or cultural experience reflected	RI.9-10.7. Analyze various
in a work of literature from outside the	perspectives as presented in different
United States, drawing on a wide	mediums (e.g., a person's life story in
reading of world literature.	both print and multimedia),
	determining which details are
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas:	emphasized in each account.
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RL.9-10.9. Analyze and reflect on (e.g.	RI.9-10.8. Describe and evaluate the
practical knowledge,	argument and specific claims in a
historical/cultural context, and	text, assessing whether the reasoning
background knowledge) how an author	is valid and the evidence is relevant
draws on and transforms source	and sufficient; identify false
material in a specific work (e.g., how	statements and reasoning
Shakespeare treats a theme or topic	3
from mythology or the Bible or how a	
later author draws on a play by	
Shakespeare).	
Companion Standards	Writing
•	Strand:
Subject:	Strand:

#### **Progress Indicator:**

RH.9-10.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, attending to such features as the date and origin of the information. RH.9-10.2. Determine the theme, central ideas, key information and/or perspective(s) presented in a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas.

RH.9-10.3. Analyze in detail a series of events described in a text; draw connections between the events, to determine whether earlier events caused later ones or simply preceded them.

WHST.9-10.1. Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant sufficient textual and non-textual evidence.

#### **Progress Indicator:**

W.9-10.1. Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

W.9-10.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

W.9-10.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

# Production and Distribution of Writing

W.9-10.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

W.9-10.5. Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, trying a new approach, or consulting a style manual (such as MLA or APA Style), focusing on addressing what is most

## **Essential Question/s:**

- What is your Personal Legend?
- What is more important: the journey or the destination?
- What does it mean to lead a good life?
- How do we find meaning in life?
- Does a hero have to be selfless?
- How do life's work and passion intersect?
- Do people control their own destinies?
- What can you learn from observation and self-reflection?
- How do people make sense of themselves and of the world?

## **Learning targets:**

- How to demonstrate speaking, listening, writing, reading, and research skills throughout their study of the personal experience.
- How to relate their own experiences to experiences of all humans connecting us through the art of the narrative.
- How to read closely, interpreting figurative language and its impact on the author's purpose.
- How to interpret literature on a literal and metaphorical level.
- How to analyze magical realism and its conventions
- How to convey the purpose or meaning of an allegory
- How to work collaboratively with their peers to deepen their understanding of a work.
- How to make text-to-self connections through examination of theme and author's purpose
- How to demonstrate their abilities to inform, to persuade, or to express their own personal ideas through written mediums

# **Activity Description:**

- Compare and contrast essay: Santiago to Odysseus
- Hero's Journey Santiago
- Personal Narrative
- Daily journaling

significant for a specific purpose and audience. Research to Build and Present W.9-10.7. 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. **Speaking and Listening** Language **Strand: Strand: Progress Indicator:** Comprehension and Collaboration Conventions of Standard English SL.9-10.1 Comprehension and NJSLSA.L1. Demonstrate command Collaboration SL.9-10.1. Initiate and of the conventions of standard participate effectively in a range of English grammar and usage when collaborative discussions (one-on-one, writing or speaking. in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 9–10 topics, texts, and NJSLSA.L2. Demonstrate command issues, building on others' ideas and of the conventions of standard expressing their own clearly and English capitalization, punctuation, persuasively. and spelling when writing.

Knowledge of Language

NJSLSA.L3. Apply knowledge of

language to understand how

*language functions in different* 

contexts, to make effective choices for

meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

SL.9-10.2 SL.9-10.2. Integrate multiple

diverse media or formats (e.g., visually,

evaluating the credibility and accuracy

sources of information presented in

*quantitatively, qualitatively, orally)* 

of each source.

- Comprehension check through written work or discussion
- Identify central ideas
- Define text-specific vocabulary words
- Research heroes who have followed their own personal legends
- Self-improvement project
- Venn Diagram Compare and Contrast
- Flipgrids

## **Interdisciplinary Connections: Content: ;NJSLS#:**

- Historical Connections- Andalusian girl and the Egyptian Pyramid, Spanish Inquisition
- Geographic Connections: Andalusia, Africa, Sahara Desert, sand dunes, Al Fayoum Oasis
- Philosophical Connections: Soul of the World, paradise, battle and alchemy
- **Business and Career Explorations: Research project to find** one's own personal legend in careers or future avenues of study

**Anchor Text:** The Alchemist by Paul Coelho

(LGBT and Disabilities Law: N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.35)

Independent reading: Enrique's Journey + Eyes of the Dragon

(Diversity & Inclusion: *N.J.S.A.* 18A:35-4.36a)

SL.9-10.3. Evaluate a speaker's point		
of view, reasoning, and use of evidence	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
and rhetoric, identifying any false	NJSLSA. L4. Determine or clarify the	
reasoning or distorted evidence.	meaning of unknown and	
3	multiple-meaning words and phrases	
Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	by using context clues, analyzing	
SL.9-10.4. Present information,	meaningful word parts, and	
findings, and supporting evidence	consulting general and specialized	
clearly, concisely, and logically. The	reference materials, as appropriate.	
content, organization, development,	reference materials, as appropriate.	
and style are appropriate to task,	NJSLSA.L5. Demonstrate	
purpose, and audience.	understanding of word relationships	
purpose, and dadience.	and nuances in word meanings.	
SL.9-10.5. Make strategic use of digital	ana nuances in word meanings.	
media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio,	NJSLSA.L6. Acquire and use	
visual, and interactive elements) in	accurately a range of general	
presentations to enhance findings,	academic and domain-specific words	
reasoning, and evidence and to add	and phrases sufficient for reading,	
interest.	writing, speaking, and listening at the	
interest.	college and career readiness level;	
SI 0 10 6 Adapt appeals to a variety of	demonstrate independence in	
SL.9-10.6. Adapt speech to a variety of	-	
contexts and tasks, demonstrating	gathering vocabulary knowledge	
command of formal English.	when encountering an unknown term	
	important to comprehension or	
	expression.	
Social and Emotional Learning:	Social and Emotional Learning:	
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Competencies	Sub-Competencies	
Self-Awareness	1.Recognize and identify the	
Self-Management	thoughts, feelings, and perspectives	
Social Awareness	of others	
Relationship Skills		
Responsible Decision-Making		

2. Demonstrate an awareness of the differences among individuals, groups, and others' cultural backgrounds 3. Demonstrate an understanding of the need for mutual respect when viewpoints differ 4. Demonstrate an awareness of the expectations for social interactions in a variety of settings	
Assessments (Formative)  To show evidence of meeting the standard/s, students will successfully	Assessments (Summative) To show evidence of meeting the standard/s, students will successfully
engage within:	complete:
<ul> <li>Exit Tickets (One minute responses given in at the end of the class)</li> <li>Venn Diagram comparing and contrasting important characters from the text (Santiago and the Englishman, Englishman vs. the Alchemist) and Santiago vs. Odysseus</li> <li>Reading Quizzes</li> <li>Anticipation Guide</li> <li>Close reading activities to examine metaphorical and literal meaning</li> <li>Thematic Quotes Logbook-&gt; pulling quotes as students actively read that prove themes related to the text</li> <li>Read informational text articles about modern day heroes and</li> <li>make connections to The Alchemist (LGBTQ and Disabilities Law:</li> <li>N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.35</li> <li>Reading Comprehension assessments</li> <li>Class run debates</li> <li>Student presentations using Slides</li> <li>Literature circles examining cultural, allegorical, metaphorical, and literal meanings.</li> <li>Jamboards and online discussion forums</li> <li>Quick writes to prompt class discussion</li> <li>Written reflections and reader's responses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>District Assessments</li> <li>Literary Analysis: Students will analyze two texts that include some commonality. Students will read the text, answer questions, and write an analysis of the texts based on their commonalities. How are Odysseus and Santiago different? How are they similar?</li> <li>Narrative: Students write their own journey story, which includes their personal legend, obstacles, and lessons learned.</li> <li>Research project: Students will research their own modern-day hero and compare that hero to Santiago.</li> <li>Self improvement project: Students will identify their own personal legend, creating a plan to follow that legend.</li> </ul>

		nt Access to Content:			
Core Resources	Teaching and Learning Alternate Core Resources IEP/504/At-Risk/ESL	ng Resources/Materials  ELL  Core Resources	Gifted & Talented Core Resources		
• Anchor Text: The Alchemist by Paul Coelho	Modify test content and/or format, allow students to retake tests for additional credit, provide additional times and preferential seating as needed, review, restate and repeat directions, provide study guides, and/or break assignments into segments of shorter tasks.	Extend time requirements, preferred seating, positive reinforcement, check often for understanding/review, oral/visual directions/prompts when necessary, supplemental materials including use of online bilingual dictionaries, and modified assessment and/or rubric.	<ul> <li>Anchor Text plus two additional texts.</li> <li>Group and individual presentations</li> <li>Assign independent projects.</li> <li>Speak to Student Interests</li> <li>Plan for differentiation.         Consider pre-assessments, extension activities, and compacting the curriculum.     </li> <li>Tiered Content/Activities</li> <li>Provide a variety of rigorous materials</li> </ul>		
	Supplement	tal Resources			
<ul> <li>Schoology</li> <li>EdPuzzle</li> <li>Google Newspapers</li> <li>Google Lit Trips</li> <li>Google Drive</li> <li>Graphic organizers</li> <li>Kahoot</li> <li>Socratic</li> <li>TedEd</li> <li>IXL</li> </ul>					

Alternate

Core

Gifted & Talented

Resources	Core Resources IEP/504/At-Risk/ESL	Resources	Core			
• Anchor Text: The Alchemist by Pau Coelho	1 1 1	Cognate strategy instruction helps students whose first language shares cognates with English draw on their first language knowledge by teaching how to use cognate knowledge. Provide opportunities for English language learners to find cognates in authentic text and compare meanings with their native language.	<ul> <li>Write a research paper describing connections between two texts by the same author.</li> <li>Leadership Roles</li> <li>Assign independent projects.</li> <li>Speak to Student Interests</li> <li>Plan for differentiation. Consider</li> </ul>			
NJSLS CAREER READINESS, LIFE LITERACIES & KEY SKILLS	Disciplinary Concept:  Core Ideas:	<ul> <li>Continually self-reflects and seeks to improve the essential life and career practices that lead to success.</li> <li>Uses effective communication and collaboration skills and resources to interact with a global society.</li> <li>Is financially literate and financially responsible at home and in the broader community.</li> <li>Is knowledgeable about careers and can plan, execute, and alter career goals in response to changing societal and economic conditions.</li> <li>Seeks to attain skill and content mastery to achieve success in a chosen career path.</li> </ul>				
	Performance Expectation/s:	Use effective communication and collaboration skills and resources to interact with a global society.				
	Career Readiness, Life Literacies, & Key Skills Practices					
	CRP1. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.					

ELL Core

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CRP2. Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP3. Attend to personal health and financial well-being. CRP4. Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason. CRP5. Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions. CRP6. Demonstrate creativity and innovation. CRP7. Employ valid and reliable research strategies. CRP8. Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them. CRP9. Model integrity, ethical leadership and effective management. CRP10. Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals. CRP11. Use technology to enhance productivity. CRP12. Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.	
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New Jersey Legislative Statutes and Administrative Code (place an "X" before each law/statute if/when present within the curriculum map)							
Amistad Law: N.J.S.A. 18A 52:16A-88	Holocaust Law: N.J.S.A. 18A:35-28	X	LGBT and Disabilities Law: <i>N.J.S.A.</i> 18A:35-4.35	X	Diversity & Inclusion: N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.36a		Standards in Action: Climate Change