



ST. TIMOTHY'S  
SCHOOL

## 5th Grade Grammar, Writing & Literature Course Syllabus

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### St. Timothy's Mission Statement:

*St. Timothy's School is an Episcopal preparatory school committed to educational excellence and the emotional, physical and spiritual growth of children in an environment where traditional Christian values are emphasized.*

### Course objectives:

*To nurture a joy and love for reading and sharing literature*

*To solidify the foundation of young writers in grammar and writing mechanics*

### General Plan: Quarters 1 & 2

#### Literature:

- Explore character development, setting, conflict and plot development
- Books: Summer Reading, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Odyssey*, *Ghostopolis*
- Wordly Wise, Lessons 1-12 (ish)

#### Grammar and Writing:

- Parts of Speech: Sentences, Nouns, Verbs, Adjectives, Adverbs
- Personal Narrative, Opinion Essay, Persuasive Essay, Book Review
- Paragraph writing and other writing mechanics

### General Plan: Quarters 3 & 4

#### Literature:

- Further explore elements of conflict, theme, plot development in fiction; non-fiction
- Books: Individual book choices in book club, History-partnering books like *Gaijin*, *Dash*
- Wordly Wise, Lessons 13-20 (ish)

#### Grammar and Writing:

- Advanced grammar: Prepositions, Phrases, Clauses, and using color in writing and public speaking
- Literary essay, Compare and Contrast essay

Weighted Scale for Literature Grammar		STS Grading Scale	
<i>Classwork/Graded Assignments:</i>	20%	100-93	A
<i>Homework:</i>	10%	92-85	B
<i>Quizzes:</i>	10%	84-77	C
<i>Papers &amp; Projects:</i>	30%	76-70	D
<i>Tests (called 'exam' in Veracross):</i>	30%	69 and below	F

