**TENTATIVE SYLLABUS:**

**1st 9-weeks**

Plot, Conflict and Setting.

*Seventh Grade by Gary Soto.* Short story

Character and Point of View. Coming of Age novel

*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, by Mark Twain

Challenge, Discrimination and Leadership

Friendship and the Gold Cadillac

Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry

**2nd 9-weeks**

Finding Voice: Mood, Tone, Style.

Theme

A Call of the Wild

A Christmas Carol

**3rd 9-weeks**

The Giver by Lois Lowery

Poetry

Myths, fantasy, folk tales

**4th 9-weeks**

Informational text

Stories on the Titanic

*A Promise to Keep*. Sharon Robinson

Fever 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson

An American Plague