American Government Basics 2/11 – 3/29
We will learn about the foundations of the United States government, checks and
balances, and civic responsibility. Topics include: x National government basics of 3 branches x Executive Branch –

Language Arts
Language Arts encompasses three critical areas: Reading, Word Work, and Writing. I have
listed the priority reading standards. Please let me know if you are interested in
information regarding the supporting standards.
Story Telling and Communication – Literary 8/8 – 8/31 x Engage in conversations x Determine main idea and supporting detail in text x Ask and answer questions about stories x Retell stories x Write narratives
 Standards: ELAGSE3SL1, ELAGSE3SL2, ELAGSE3SL3, ELAGSE3SL4
Diving Deeper into Literature – Literary 9/4 – 10/19 x Retell stories x Identify moral/lesson x Write narratives x Analyze characters x Compare and contrast story elements
Standards: ELAGSE3RL2, ELAGSE3RL3, ELAGSE3RL9, ELAGSE3W3, ELAGSE3RF3, ELAGSE3RF4, ELAGSE3L1
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Considering Perspectives and Supporting Opinions 1/7 – 3/15 x Compare and contrast main idea of two texts on the same topic x Write opinion pieces x Retell stories and identify the moral/lesson x Compare and contrast elements of stories by the same author x Describe the relationship between things x Use information from illustrations
 Standards: ELAGSE3RL2, ELAGSE3RL3, ELAGSE3RL9, ELAGSE3RI2, ELAGSE3RI3,
 ELAGSE3RI9, ELAGSE3RI7, ELAGSE3W1, ELAGSE3RF3, ELAGSE3RF4
Becoming a Close Reader and Writing to Learn 3/18 – 5/23 x Ask and answer questions x Write narratives x Use text features x Identify text structure x Write opinion Pieces
 Standards: ELAGSE3RL1, ELAGSE3RL5, ELAGSE3RI1, ELAGSE3RI5, ELAGSE3RI8,
 ELAGSE3W1, ELAGSE3W2, ELAGSE3W3, ELAGSE3F3, ELAGSE3F4