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| Unit 1 | 5 | Writing | Students will learn and demonstrate the characteristics of effective writing. | Essay | CC.1.4.9-10.B  
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| Unit 2 | 4 | Research | Students will learn the skills necessary to construct an effective research paper; they will demonstrate those skills through their writing. | Essay | CC.1.4.9-10.A  
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| Unit 3 | 5 | Drama | How do the dramatic elements present in Shakespeare’s *Julius Caesar* aid in reading, analyzing and interpreting a play? | Julius Caesar Unit Exam | CC.1.3.9-10.C  
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| Unit 4 | 4 | Novel | How are critical reading skills utilized for comprehension and interpretation of the novel? | Performance Tasks | CC.1.3.9-10.C  
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