

Craigslea State High School



English Faculty - Year 8

Unit	Unit Objective	Task Description	Dates
	Students read, view and	FORMATIVE TASK:	
Talking about my generation: teenagers in the media	listen to a variety of media and other texts including those taken from digital environments and television to explore representations of teens as individuals and groups.	Students analyse representations of teens, groups and events in a selected media text. They present their analysis in the form of a retrieval chart, sentences and paragraphs.	Task completed by end of: Term 1 Week 5
		Text type: Short Response Length: 70 min	
		SUMMATIVE ASSIGNMENT TASK:	
		Students construct an image of themselves and write an accompanying reflection upon how the various techniques used in the construction create the desired effect.	Notice of Task: 4 weeks' notice
		Mode: Written Text type: Reflection Length: 120 – 250 words	Task Due: Term 1 Week 9
We are one- we are many: exploring different human experiences	Students read, view and listen to a variety of literary and non-literary texts (inc. poetry, narrative, drama) that create representations the different groups in society with a particular focus on Aboriginal peoples' and Torres Strait Islander peoples' histories and cultures.	FORMATIVE TASK:	
		Students use short responses to explain and analyse how representations of human experiences are created in literary texts.	Notice of Task: Unseen Exam
		Mode: Written Exam Text type: Short Response Length: 70 min exam	Exam Date: Term 2 Week 5
		SUMMATIVE ASSIGNMENT TASK:	
		Students prepare, record and present a <i>Behind the News</i> Rookie Report expressing a particular viewpoint on an issue experienced by a particular group	Notice of Task: 4 weeks' notice
		Mode: Spoken Text type: Television news report Length: 3- 4 minutes	Task Due: Term 2 Week 8
The Art of Animation: creating illusions	Students view and listen to a variety of animated short and full-length films to explore and analyse how the design elements and narrative structures chosen by filmmakers seek to influence their audiences.	SUMMATIVE EXAM TASK:	
		Students compare two differing film reviews to explore how films can be represented from different viewpoints	Notice of Task: In-class assignment
		Mode: Written Text type: Short Response Length: 70 min exam	Exam Date: Term 3 Week 5
		SUMMATIVE ASSIGNMENT TASK:	
		In groups, students write and perform an 'At the Movies' style review of the animated film <i>Spider-Man: into the Spider-Verse</i>	Notice of Task: 4 weeks
		Mode: Spoken Text type: Movie review Length: 3-4 minutes	Task Due: Term 3 Week 9
"Choose kind": ethical dilemmas in texts	Students read and comprehend a complete text to explore and analyse representations of ethical issues.	FORMATIVE TASK:	
		Students create a range of short texts for different purposes selecting language to influence audience response.	Task Due: ongoing
		SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT TASK:	
		Students create and edit a short story that explores an ethical issue stemming from the novel studied in class.	Notice of Task: 4 weeks' notice
		Mode: Written Text type: Imaginative Length: 300-500 words	Task Due: Term 4 Week 7