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Reading and Writing

An Integrated Approach to:

- Multiple and multicultural readings
- Advanced thinking skills
- Reading and writing strategies
- Critical thinking and reading
- Language as social and inventive
- Authentic student interaction
- In depth vocabulary development
- Variety of writing activities

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UNIT FOCUS 1

The Lost Generation	1
by Renato Rosales and Donna Alilin Carreon	
<i>Description and narration through a story of Philippine Japanese War, which serves as a memory of a deprived childhood of the narrator's father.</i>	

Vocabulary Building Context

Understanding the Writer's Technique

Exploring & Understanding the Writer's Ideas (Psychological and Socio-Political Perspective)

Assumptions or Implication

Argumentation and Persuasion

Ideas for Writing:

(Introductory Paragraph Writing):

- a. Being free is an important experience
 for a young person like me
- b. Being frightened is a horrible experience
 for a young person like me
- c. Being loved is vital experience for
 a young person like me
- d. We Need Peace, Not War
 (position paper)

UNIT FOCUS 2

Bankrupt at 55; Successful at 65	9
By Dr. Jean Belen Rosales	
<i>Stereotype, compassion for and understanding of the elderly by illustrating a story of the writer's father, a former successful baker in Saudi Arabia, who is still an active baker in his senior year, in the Philippines.</i>	

Main Ideas and Supporting Details

Tone of Paragraph Writing

Moral Lesson or Implication

Personal Interpretation

Other Personal Considerations

Ideas for Writing:

- The World of Aging as I See It
- Why I am Not Afraid of Aging
- Honor and Respect for the Elderly
- The Ways to a Happy Elderly Life
- Treat Me Nice: I Am an Elderly

UNIT FOCUS 3

(Environmental and Ecological Articles)

- A. Earth: The Just Right, Resilient Planet 17
by Tyler Miller

Critical Thinking

Getting Information

Establishing Result

Ideas for Writing:

- How I Can Heal the Earth through Water Conservation
(Process analysis writing method)
- Using Earth's Water More Sustainable
- Ecological Lesson about Water: A Must for Everyone

- B. A New Environmentalism for the 1990s and Beyond 20
by Peter Montague

Informative in nature, the articles call for argumentation and persuasion, where they inform the readers about environment problems, the technologies, as well as policies that might solve their existing problem.

Critical Thinking

(Argumentation or Persuasion)

Interpretation

Vocabulary Development

Ideas for Writing:

- Moral Implication of Environmental Awareness
- Saving the Planet Earth: Making a Difference
- Global Issue: An Enforcement of Environmental Solution on All People of the Earth

UNIT FOCUS 4

Are You on the Same Wavelength? 27

by Steven Keeva

Gender sensitivity awareness through a report on the differences between men and women's language to know and familiarize with in order to solve existing relationship problem.

Questions for Response and Purpose
Questions about Audience and Strategies
Considerations and Personal Discussion
Statements for Reaction or Reflection
More Trivia Notes on Men and Women

Ideas for Writing:

- Men are from Mars and Women are from Venus
- How to Cook Your Husband (Sarcastic Writing)
- The Way to a Man's Heart is through His Stomach (Use Irony)
- Women: The Irresistible Better Partners in Life

UNIT FOCUS 5

The Filipino Tragedy by Nati Nuguid 35

Racial discrimination with sociological and psychological perspective through a story of migration reality and "Asian Bride Trade". A case of crime and punishment, as well as promulgating bill of rights.

Motivating Questions
Main Ideas and Supporting Details
Stereotyping and Discrimination
Writer's Purpose and Impact
Assumptions/Implications
Language: Grammar and Vocabulary in Context

Ideas for Writing:

Drafting a Verdict Statement
(in case you believe Tim Blackwell is guilty of the crime)
Drafting a Victim Impact Statement
(in behalf of Susana and her family)
Our Government should Look After the Welfare of Our OFWs
(Position Paper)

UNIT FOCUS 6

- A. The World is Too Much with Us by William Wordsworth
with literature review by Benny Mart Hiwatig 45
*Existentialism and philosophical perspectives, which present human
vanity and excess of the world. It depicts human truth, value or meaning, and
defining existence which can be anguished and absorb.*

Literature Review

Critical Thinking

Considerations

Connecting Text with Real Life Situation

Nuggets of Wisdom (a divinely written poem of Thompson)

Language: Word Group based on the poem

Ideas for Writing:

- How Not to Waste Life with Material Things
- Appreciating More and Living with Nature

- B. My Life is Cold and Weary by Prof. Demetrio Zara
(an apology to Robert Frost's nature poems) 51
*Linguistic criticism through language stylistic study, the poem is all about nature
with its negative and positive side. Life and rain is a paradox of loneliness and
melancholia, yet liberating or welcoming a new start of life.*

Introduction

Stylistic Analysis (through Poetry)

Language: Grammar and Parts of Speech

Motivational Questions

Personal Considerations/Questions and Answer

Ideas for Writing:

- The World According to Me
(Use comparison and contrast between the present
and the past world)
- Write your own version of nature poetry, patterned from the
poetry of Zara/Frost
- Rain Gently Falls Whenever We Say Goodbye (Imaginary Writing
of Unrequited/or Broken Hearted Love Affair)

UNIT FOCUS 7

The Yellow Sand by Hayashi Kyoko 61

An existentialist and feminist story that illustrates human value and worth through friendship and compassion towards other marginalized people in the society, this time a story of a woman prostitute during the Sino-Japanese War. Written by a Japanese woman writer.

Introduction (Author's Life and Time)

Literature Review (Sample for Practice)

Exploring the Writer's Ideas

Understanding the Writer's Technique

Considerations

Critical Thinking

Interpretation of Passages

Ideas for Writing:

- a. Childhood: the Age of Innocence
- b. Meaning and Value of True and Real Friendship
- c. Adult Friendship

UNIT FOCUS 8

Philippine Literature Stories of Bulosan and Santos 81

(Excerpts and Literature Review)

Prejudice and racial discrimination through a slice of Filipino life in the U.S. during the Depression Era. Stories with "feminist perspective" in American women characters as archetypes of patience, sacrifice, and commitment.

Introduction

Feminist Perspective through Women Character

Comparison and Contrast between Bulosan & Santos

Critical Thinking

Understanding the Writer's Technique

Writer's Purpose, Meaning and Evaluation

Consideration (Interpretation of Passages)

Ideas for Writing:

- a. Volunteerism and Reaching Out for Others
(the case of Ms. O'Reilley teaching reading to Filipino migrant workers)
- b. The Magic of International Marriage
- c. Racial Discrimination Should End: We are the World

UNIT FOCUS 9

Effective Writing Composition 99

Writing essay for college admission requirement; resumé and application letter for college admission and employment. These will orient the students with the craft of writing, choosing a compelling topic for essay writing, preparing resume and application letter, and polishing their writing until it shines. Decision to go to college will eco in this chapter.

Introduction

Points to Ponder and Remember for Good Writing

Paragraphing: Coherence and Unity in Writing

Application Letter, the Resume and Interview, Essay Writing for College Admission

Ideas/Topics for Essay Writing

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