2014 Instructional Material Summer Review Institute

Grade 9-12: English Language Arts; Reading; CORE Reading Intervention; Modern, Classical and Native Languages

**Review Team Appraisal of Title – English Language Arts**

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| Text Title: | Pearson System of Courses, ELA Grade 12 | Grade Level: | 12 |
| Course: | ELA | SE ISBN: | 9780133284898 |
| Publisher: | Pearson Education, Inc. | TE ISBN: |  |

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| **SECTION 1 – Common Core State Standards** |
| Reviewer # and Section 1 Total: 1. #16 TOTAL 338 2. #17 TOTAL 328 3. #18 TOTAL 342 Average Score: 336 Reading Standards for Literature and Informational Text (1-17):      Writing Standards (18-28):      Speaking and Listening Standards (29-34):      Language Standards (35-40):      * Outstanding independent reading resource list, including contemporary films.
* Excellent mix of canonical with pop culture.
* Multiple, engaging, opportunities for students to hone speaking and presentation skills.
* Highly relevant, thematic unit topics, which incorporate contemporary philosophical and global controversies.
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| **SECTION 2.A – Other Relevant Criteria** |
| Reviewer # and Section 2.A Total: 1. #16 TOTAL 241 2. #17 TOTAL 230 3. #18 TOTAL 243 Average Score: 238 Text Selection (42-64):      Construction and Design of Material (68-69):      Student Edition (72-79):      Teacher Edition and Resources (80-89):      * Lacking in multicultural perspectives, especially in Unit 4: Global Issues.
* Poetry has a higher profile in the 12th grade edition than what is found in the earlier grade editions.
* Discussion rubrics in student editions demonstrate rigor with an emphasis on self-reflection.
* The student edition maintains the elegant presentation and simple operation of prior-reviewed materials.
* The teacher edition, while basic in design, is straightforward, easily understood, and helpful.
* “More to Explore” includes a large variety of full-length, high-quality, and rigorous novels: *Pride and Prejudice, Candide, Gulliver’s Travels, Crime and Punishment* and others.
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| **SECTION 2.B – Summary Standards** |
| Reviewer # and Section 2.B Total: 1. #16 TOTAL 190 2. #17 TOTAL 190 3. #18 TOTAL 200 Average Score: 193 LITERATURE - Range of Reading/Level of Text Complexity (90):      INFORMATIONAL TEXT - Range of Reading/Level of Text Complexity (91):      * Text complexity increases in the 12th grade edition.
* Challenging, yet engaging and relevant projects—highly age appropriate.
* Compared to 9th and 10th grade editions, this work made a great leap in text complexity, though the text selections were somewhat idiosyncratic.
* In the same context, much better informational text.
* The “Satire and Wit” unit, in particular, is very well developed.
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| **Reviewer Comments** |
| Reviewer #: 16 Reviewer Background: Seven years teaching, Level II, Speech & Debate, AP L&C, English 10 Comments:      Highly relevant, engaging, and accessible group of rigorous units to provide for students completing their high school careers, along with rigorous college-preparatory work.Reviewer #: 17 Reviewer Background: Eight years teaching, Level III, English 11, AP L&C Comments:      The review of all four grades of the Pearson System has been a pleasant experience, with the 12th grade edition no exception. Teachers of all experience levels could use these materials as the absis for a pleasant, successful, and satisfying year. Reviewer #: 18 Reviewer Background: Ten years teaching, Level III, English 11, AP Lang and Lit Comments:      I agree completely with the sentiments offered above. |