

SCOPE AND SEQUENCE



	1 Genius: Nature or Nurture? Pages: 2–31 Reading 1: A Genius Explains Reading 2: 10,000 Hours to Mastery	2 Facing Life’s Obstacles Pages: 32–59 Reading 1: A Life of Twists and Turns: The Story of Frank McCourt Reading 2: Marla Runyan Has Never Lost Sight of Her Goals
Inference	Understanding assumptions	Inferring the meaning of idioms and expressions
Note-Taking	Taking notes by marking important information	Taking notes on main ideas with questions
Reading	Distinguishing voice in quotations	Recognizing positive redundancy
Grammar	Past perfect	Gerunds and infinitives
Revise	Identifying and correcting sentence fragments	Choosing appropriate supporting sentences
Final Writing Task	A summary paragraph	A biographical paragraph
Video	Child prodigies	A girl with autism
Assessments	Pre-Unit Diagnostic: Check What You Know Checkpoint 1 Checkpoint 2 Unit Achievement Test	Pre-Unit Diagnostic: Check What You Know Checkpoint 1 Checkpoint 2 Unit Achievement Test
Unit Project	Write a report on a genius	Write a biographical essay on a famous person who has overcome an obstacle



3 Making Medical Decisions

Pages: 60–85

Reading 1: Genetic Testing and Disease:
Would You Want to Know?

Reading 2: Norman Cousins’s Laughter
Therapy

4 Instinct or Intellect?

Pages: 86–115

Reading 1: Extreme Perception and
Animal Intelligence

Reading 2: How Smart are Animals?

Inferring degree of support

Inferring the use of hedging

Taking notes on cause and effect with a
graphic organizer

Taking notes with outlining

Organizing the sequence of events in
a time line

Recognizing the role of quoted speech

Past unreal conditionals

Adjective clauses

Writing introductions and hooks

Paraphrasing

An opinion essay

A summary in journalistic style

Sleep deprivation and health issues

Talking to animals



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Prepare a written presentation on
genetic testing

Write a research summary on a
famous animal

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	 <p>5 Too Much of a Good Thing? Pages: 116–143 Reading 1: Death Do Us Part Reading 2: Toward Immortality: The Social Burden of Longer Lives</p>	 <p>6 Making a Difference Pages: 144–175 Reading 1: Justin Lebo Reading 2: Some Take the Time Gladly Problems with Mandatory Volunteering</p>
Inference	Inferring attitudes and feelings	Inferring people’s reactions
Note-Taking	Taking notes with signposts	Taking compare and contrast notes with a t-chart
Reading	Using titles and headings to identify main ideas	Recognizing persuasive language
Grammar	Simple past, present perfect, and present perfect progressive	Concessions
Revise	Using figurative language	Writing introductions and thesis statements
Final Writing Task	A descriptive essay	A persuasive essay
Video	The long lives of the residents of Acciaroli	Philanthropy
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Unit Project	Write a report about a part of the world where people live long lives using questions as guides	Create a powerpoint presentation or poster about philanthropy in your community



7 An Ocean of Problems

Pages: 176–205

Reading 1: Sea Unworthy: A Personal Journey into the Pacific Garbage Patch

Reading 2: Two Proposals to Clean Up Our Oceans of Garbage: Will Either Work?

8 Managing Your Smartphone

Pages: 206–239

Reading 1: Smartphone-Induced Problems in the Twenty-First Century

Reading 2: Unplugging Wired Kids: A Vacation from Technology and Social Media

Inferring the author’s point of view and possible bias

Inferring an author’s appeal to authority

Taking notes on pros and cons

Taking three-column notes to show time sequence

Creating headings based on main ideas

Identifying referents for the pronoun *it*

Subordinators and transitions

Subordinators and prepositional phrases

Writing conclusions

Using transitions

A problem-solution essay

A cause-and-effect essay

Water conservation in college dormitories

Video games

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Create a powerpoint or presentation about a solution to an environmental issue

Conduct research and give a powerpoint presentation about the evolution of a technological device