

## **LANGUAGE ARTS 8A**

This course incorporates grammar and literature with basic skill areas such as: reading, science, spelling and social studies. The activities encourage critical thinking and the development of comprehension skills.

### Unit 1 – The Journal

A note book is provided for the student journal. The student is to be encouraged to write in his/her journal everyday. Although suggested writing topics are provided, the journal can consist of personal reflections.

### Unit 2 – Spelling

Understanding and recognizing various prefixes and suffixes will increase the student's ability to apply them in spelling and writing.

### Unit 3 – Capitalization and Punctuation

This unit introduces a biography of Abraham Lincoln. The vocabulary taken from the biography is used in several ways to promote vocabulary development and word meaning. This unit is devoted to capitalization and punctuation.

### Unit 4 – Parts of Speech – nouns, pronouns, and adjectives

This unit is a continuation of the biography of Abe Lincoln, which includes history and social studies lessons, this unit, is devoted to nouns, pronouns and adjectives.

### Unit 5 – parts of Speech – verbs and adverbs

Unit V is a continuation of the biography of Abe Lincoln. The student is asked to write a biography of a relative or friend. This unit is devoted to verbs and adverbs.