**English 9**

**Yearlong Plans**

**Jonna Raffel**

**Unit One – The Magic of Belonging**

**Anchor Piece – *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone***

Nonfiction texts- Individual Nonfiction Research Topics

Poetry- “On Turning Ten” by Billy Collins

Vocabulary- Four Units pulled from novel vocabulary

Writing- Argumentative Essay

 Informational Writing

**Unit Two – Trauma & the Power of Voice**

**Anchor Piece – *Speak***

Nonfiction texts- “Inside Quad City High School Cliques” by Ann McGlynn

Poetry- “The Red Poppy” by Louise Gluck

 “Bird Set Free” by Sia

Film- *Speak*

Vocabulary- Four Units pulled from novel vocabulary words

Writing- Informational Essay

 Reflective Essay

**Unit Three – Shakespeare**

**Anchor Piece – *Romeo & Juliet b*y William Shakespeare**

Informational Texts- “Hip Hop and Shakespeare” TedTalk

 “Why Shakespeare Loved Iambic Pentameter”

 “Shakespeare is Everywhere”

Poetry- “Sonnet 116” by William Shakespeare

Film- Romeo & Juliet

Vocabulary-four units pulled from novel vocabulary

**Unit Four - Misconceptions, Civil Rights, and Growing Up in America**

**Anchor Piece – *To Kill A Mockingbird***

Nonfiction texts- “The Meaning of a Word” by Gloria Naylor

 “Letter from Birmingham City Jail” by Martin Luther King, Jr.

 “The Jury in *To Kill A Mockingbird*: What Went Wrong?” By Judge Royal Ferguson

Poetry- “Incident” by Countee Cullen

 “Meditation 17” by John Donne

Documentary- *Scottsboro: An American Tragedy*

Film- *To Kill A Mockingbird*

Vocabulary- Four Units pulled from novel vocabulary words

Punctuation Unit

Writing- Argumentative Response