	Existentialism	
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*Independent Practice	*Whole group Instruction	*Centers
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Assessment	idi Assessifietit Peel	
TEKS/Standards: §110.33. (b) (3) Reading/Comprehensi Students understand, mak		Homework: Continue reading part 1 of <i>The Stranger</i> . Continue working on charts (5 motifs, 1 quotation per motif, and 1
conclusions about the structure and elements of poetry and provide evidence from text to support their understanding. Students are expected to analyze the effects of metrics, rhyme schemes (e.g., end, internal, slant, eye), and other conventions in American poetry.		piece of commentary per quotation) in blue books. Homework is due February 13 th and 14 th .
specific audiences for specexpected to:(C) write an irror a literary text that: (ii) addresses the writing sincluding references to and from the text; (iii) analyzes the aesthetic stylistic or rhetorical devices	and procedural or work- ate ideas and information to cific purposes. Students are nterpretation of an expository skills for an analytical essay, d commentary on quotations c effects of an author's use of es; s the ambiguities, nuances,	
clearly and to the point, us language. Students will co standards with greater con expected to give a formal plogical structure, smooth to well-chosen details, and references.	ntinue to apply earlier applexity. Students are presentation that exhibits a cansitions, accurate evidence, netorical devices, and that aking rate (e.g., pauses for n, purposeful gestures, and	
(26) Listening and Speaki productively with others in continue to apply earlier st complexity. Students are e	andards with greater	

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> and 1 piece of commentary per quotation) will be instructed to begin

part 2.

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Grade. February 11 and 12"

slideshow is displayed:

and 12" Slideshow.

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- (fill-in-the-blank) precedes (fill-in-the-blank.)
- Complete happiness (can/cannot) be achieved.
- Briefly explain what it means to live "authentically."
- Students will complete the following questions/phrases when the fifth slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow is displayed:
 - Life is full of (fill-in-the-blank) because we have complete freedom.
 - Briefly explain how the world is absurd.
- Students will complete the following questions/phrases when the seventh slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow is displayed:
 - Facticity means that we are ____, and of our beings.
 - Briefly explain the amnesia scenario.
- Students will complete the following questions/phrases when the ninth slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow is displayed:
 - Briefly explain how The Metamorphosis represents existential thought.
 - Other than The Metamorphosis, one book/film that I have read/seen that has existential properties is

introduce existentialism by saving:

- It is a term applied to late 19th and 20thcentury philosophers
- Soren Kierkegaard is credited as the first existential philosopher
- It gained popularity after World War II
- The teacher will display the third slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow.
- The teacher will explain that existentialism is based on the idea that existence precedes essence. This theory includes the ideas that:
 - Complete happiness cannot be achieved
 - Individuals will life to mean something
 - Living authentically should be stressed
- The teacher will display the fourth slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow and click on the

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- hyperlink titled "The Dude Abides."
- The teacher will play the youtube video that opens from the hyperlink.
- The teacher will explain that The Dude is an excellent characterization of existentialism because he does not search for the meaning of things and "just goes bowling."
- The teacher will display the fifth slide from the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow.
- The teacher will explain that existentialists acknowledge the angst of life. This includes:
 - Anxiety from freedom
 - Choosing harmful actions
 - The absurdity of the world
- The teacher will display the sixth slide from the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow and click on the hyperlink titled "You're Standing on a Cliff."
- The teacher will play the youtube video that opens from the hyperlink.

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	·	The teacher will
		explain that the
		screaming scene
		from the movie
		Garden State
		exemplifies
		existential
		acceptance of an
		angst ridden life and
		absurd world.
		 The teacher will
		display the seventh
		slide from the "11 th
		Grade. February 11
		and 12" slideshow.
		 The teacher will
		explain the idea of
		facticity. This idea
		•
		centers on the belief
		that:
		- We are the
		composite of our
		past, present,
		and future
		actions
		 Facticity does
		not determine a
		person
		- The Amnesia
		Scenario
		 The teacher will
		display the eighth
		slide from the "11 th
		Grade. February 11
		and 12" slideshow
		and click on the
		hyperlink titled
		"Folsom Prison
		Blues."
		 The teacher will play
		the youtube video
		that opens from the
		hyperlink.
		 The teacher will
		explain that Johnny
		Cash's song is

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CASTT
Handout, Blue
Books,
Cellphone or
Ipod, Writing
Implement,
Headphones

Teacher Materials: TP-CASTT Handouts, "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow, Doc Cam, lpods. Headphones, Online Timer, Small Group Work Observation Form

30 Minutes

- Students will be able to analyze the music artist's attitude toward human experience as represented in the song.
- Students will be able to analyze the shifts in key words, punctuation, line divisions, irony, sound, and diction in the song.
- Students will be able to evaluate how the music artist incorporates tenets of existentialism in the song.

Student Procedures:

- Students will listen to the instructions for the Existential Soundtrack Activity and follow along with the eleventh slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow.
- Students will know they are expected to:
 - Break into groups of 5.
 - Use cellphones or Ipods to search for a song with existential lyrics.
 - TP-CASTT the lyrics. Each student is responsible for one section of TP-CASTT and all members must finish the remaining sections. This work is to be completed in their blue books.
 - Present to the class, by choosing the most important line of lyrics, playing that segment of the song, explaining how the lyrics are existential and briefly discussing the theme.
- Students will listen to the criteria for choosing an appropriate song and follow along with the twelfth slide of the "11th Grade. February 11

Teacher Procedures:

- The teacher will display the eleventh slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow.
- The teacher will explain the Existentialism Soundtrack Activity. The steps for the activity are as follows:
 - Students break into groups of 5.
 - Students use cellphones or lpods to search for a song with existential lyrics.
 - Students TP-CASTT the lyrics. Each student is responsible for one section of TP-CASTT and all members must finish the remaining sections. This work is to be

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and 12" slideshow.

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- Students will know that the criteria for choosing an appropriate song is:
 - Choosing songs with minimal to no obscenities or profanity.
 - Choosing songs they would be comfortable listening to with the principal.
- Students will break into groups of 5.
- Students will take out cellphones or Ipods and use the internet or music app to search for a song that exemplifies existentialism.
- Students will ask for Ipods or headphones if needed.
- Students will decide which group member will complete which section of the TP-CASTT.
- Students will complete their section of TP-CASTT and the sections unclaimed by group members. The parts of TP-CASTT are as follows:
 - Title: Speculate about the song's meaning based on the title
 - Paraphrase: Restate each line of the song in your own words
 - Connotation: Determine which poetic devices are used in the song and how they affect the meaning
 - Attitude: Examine the diction, images, and details to make meaning of the song
 - Shifts: Find the 7 keys to shift and use them to analyze the poet's gradual realization. The 7 keys are key words, punctuation, stanza divisions (chorus,

completed in their blue books.

- Students will present to the class, by choosing the most important line of lyrics, playing that segment of the song, explaining how the lyrics are existential and briefly discussing the theme.
- The teacher will display the twelfth slide of the "11th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow which outlines appropriate song criteria. This includes:
 - Choosing songs without obscenities or profanity.
 - Choosing songs they would be comfortable listening to with the principal.
- The teacher will instruct students to break into groups.
- The teacher will ensure that each group has the needed materials.
- The teacher will supply Ipods or headphones to groups if needed.
- The teacher will set

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verse, bridge, etc,) changes in line length, irony, changes in sound, and changes in diction

- Title: Analyze the title of the song to find any deeper meaning
- Theme: Analyze what the song is saying about human experience and existentialism

They will do so in their blue books.

- Students will inform the teacher of the song they have chosen.
- Students will discuss their presentation. They are required to:
 - Play a snippet of their song
 - Tell the class the most important line in the song
 - Explain how the lyrics are existential
 - Discuss the theme of the song

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- the online timer for 30 minutes and display the timer on the overhead.
- The teacher will circulate, ensuring that groups are on task.
- The teacher will mark which students are participating and are on-task in their groups and which students are not participating or are not on-task on the Small Group Work Observation Form.
- The teacher will give a verbal warning when 15 minutes have elapsed.
- The teacher will continue to circulate, helping groups find songs or TP-CASTT, if needed.
- The teacher will give a verbal warning when the groups have 10 minutes remaining.
- The teacher will circulate and ask each group which song they have chosen. This will be recorded on the "Data" section of the Small Group Work Observation Form.
- The teacher will use the computer to search for the lyrics of each group's song.

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Pedagogical Purpose: Group Practice

Student Materials: Cellphone or Ipod, Song, Blue Books

Teacher Materials: Web Browser. Overhead. Microphone, **Small Group** Work Observation Form

- Students will be able to present their evaluation of the song's lyrics to the class.
- Students will be able to discuss why the line of lyrics they chose is the most important in the song.
- Students will be able to explain how the song they chose incorporates tenets of existentialism.
- Students will be able to discuss the theme of the song.

Student Procedures:

- Students will volunteer to present their work in groups.
- Students will stand at the front of the room when it is their turn to present.
- Students will open the internet tab that has their song lyrics displayed.
- Students will plug their cellphone or Ipod into the microphone and play a snippet of the song for the class.

Teacher Procedures:

- The teacher will ask for a group to volunteer to present.
- The teacher will instruct the group to open the tab on the web browser which has their song lyrics displayed.
- The teacher will instruct the group to plug their cellphone or Ipod into the

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20 Minutes

- Students will tell and show the class the most important line of lyrics in the song.
- Students will explain how the lyrics are existential.
- Students will discuss the theme of the song, focusing on what the song says about human experience.
- microphone and play a snippet of their song.
- The teacher will ask students to discuss the most important line of lyrics, explain how the song is existential, and discuss the theme.
- The teacher will use the Small Group Work Observation Form to record the number of criteria each group addressed in their presentation. The marks will be as follows:
 - -A "3" in the C column: group met all three of the criteria and shared most important line of lyrics, explained how the song is existential, and discussed the theme.
 - -A "2" in the C column: group only met two of the three criteria and either did not share the most important line of lyrics, explain how the song is existential, or discuss the theme. -A "1" in the C column: group only met one of the criteria by either sharing the most

important line of

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III. CLOSURE Title: Parking	Objective(s):	
Pedagogical Purpose: Independent Practice, Informal Assessment Student Materials: Sticky Note, Writing Implement Teacher Materials: Sticky Notes, Question Poster, Comment Poster "11 th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow 5 Minutes	 Students will be able to report one important idea they learned about existentialism. Students will be able to formulate one question to ask about existentialism. Student Procedures: Students will write one thing they learned about existentialism on a sticky note. Students will write one question they have about existentialism on a second sticky note. Students must walk to the appropriate poster and place their sticky note on the poster before leaving. 	Teacher Procedures: The teacher will hand two sticky notes to each student. The teacher will display the fourteenth slide of the "11 th Grade. February 11 and 12" slideshow. The teacher will instruct students to write one thing they learned about existentialism on the sticky note. The teacher will instruct students to write one question they have about

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Assessment(s): (attach copies of assessment documents, criteria and rubrics)

• The Existentialism Notes Handout will be checked for completion

ILL/504/SpEd accommodations:

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- One student will have a reserved group seat by the door and free from obstructions.
- One student may leave the classroom to visit the nurse or the restroom at any time.

Lesson Overview / teacher notes:

- The Existentialism Notes Handout is attached to the email.
- The TP-CASTT handout is attached to the email.
- The Small Group Work Observation Form is attached below.