

# Tom Sawyer Unit

## for Interactive Notebooks

A complete unit with lessons, projects, quizzes, and a test

**Tom Sawyer Eulogy Mini-Project**

A eulogy is a speech given for someone's funeral. They can be either inspirational or funny, but usually they focus on the life and accomplishments of the departed. Write and present a short eulogy (1-2 minutes) for Tom from the point of view of Aunt Polly, Sid, May, or Becky. Your eulogy should have a beginning, middle, and end and may include anecdotes or quotes. Everything you write should be in character of the person giving the speech.

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Eulogy is creative and interesting, true to the character who's giving it. It has a beginning, middle, and end, and is easy for the listener to follow. The speech shows some practice and confidence.	Eulogy is mostly creative, true to the character who's giving it. It has a beginning, middle, and end. The speech shows some practice and confidence.	Eulogy is somewhat creative and true to the character who's giving it. It is somewhat well-organized, but the listener has some trouble following it. The speech could have used more practice and articulation.	Eulogy is not true to the character who's giving it. The organization is difficult to follow, and the speaker needs more practice. The speaker needs to speak clearly and maintain a good pace.

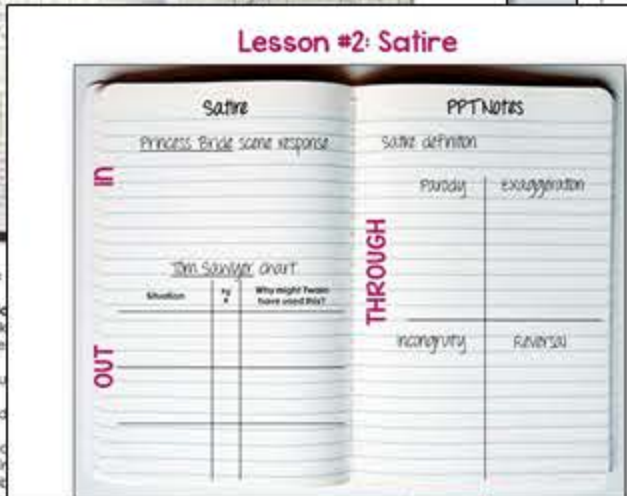


**The Adventures of Tom Sawyer Unit Test**

Part I: Characters

Match each character to his or her description. Not every character will be used, and some characters may be used more than once. Please write the correct answer as an uppercase letter.

A. Tom Sawyer  
B. Huckleberry Finn  
C. Aunt Polly  
D. Becky Thatcher  
E. Jim  
F. Widow Douglas



**Unit Calendar Template**  
(for 45-50 min. classes)

(date)				
	Mark Twain Background & "Read-aloud"	Intro Vocabulary & Context Clues Lesson	Intro Scrapbook Project	Vocab Quiz #1 "Reading"
1		2-3		4-5
	Vocab Quiz #2 Character Analysis Workday	Scrapbook Essays due "Reading"	Literary Quote Analysis Lesson	Vocab Quiz #3 "Reading Discussion"
	Finish Essay	9-11	12	13-14
	Scrapbook Satire Essay workday	Scrapbook "Reading Discussion"	Eulogy Lesson & Workday	Scrapbook Eulogy Presentations "Reading & Discussion"
		17	18-20	21-23
	Scrapbook "Reading & Discussion"	Scrapbook "Reading & Discussion"	Scrapbook Workday	Vocab Quiz #5 "Reading & Discussion"
24-26	27-28	29-30	31-end	Scrapbook Final Discussion
	Test Review	Test + Journals due	Movie: Tom & Huck	Movie: Tom & Huck
	HW: Review & Finish Journal			Movie Response Workday/Presentations

### What is a Context Clue?

You can use context clues to figure out the meaning of an unknown word. Look at the words around the word in the sentence to help you understand the word.

### Technique #2: Exaggeration

Exaggeration creates a larger-than-life version of the subject. Every detail becomes bigger and more dramatic.

### Eulogy Project

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### Why Characters Matter

Characters are the people in any story, and in fiction they've been created by the author.

#### But why?

This is the fascinating question we'll look at as we continue our study of the text. As an author creates each character, they have a goal to accomplish. What's the goal?

Includes ISN spreads, PowerPoints, and bellringers

