

GRADE 9 ARGUMENTATION UNIT TEXT SETS

This chart lists the unit texts, organized by the “text sets” associated with the progression of instructional activities. Additional texts for some of the sets are indicated with an AT.

As an Open Educational Resource, the unit employs texts that are accessible on the web for free without any login information, membership requirements or purchase. Because of the ever-changing nature of website addresses, links are not provided.

Teachers and students can locate these texts through web searches using the information provided.

#	TITLE	AUTHOR	DATE	SOURCE/PUBLISHER
Text Set #1: Background Informational Texts				
1.1	What is terrorism?	Laura Beth Nielsen	4/17/2013	Al Jazeera - English
1.2	Terrorists or Freedom Fighters: What’s the Difference?	John Bolt	11/14/2001	Acton Institute
1.3	Militant Extremists in the United States	Jonathan Masters	2/7/2011	Council on Foreign Relations
Text Set #2: Additional Background Informational Texts- 9/11				
2.1	FBI Major Terrorism Cases: Past and Present	FBI	NA	FBI.com - Stories
2.2	September 11 Attacks Timeline	National September 11 Memorial & Museum	NA	9/11memorial.org
2.3	Events of 9/11	History.Com	NA	History.Com
AT	Title 18 - Crimes and Criminal Procedure; Part 1 - Crimes; Chapter 113B - Terrorism	Cornell Law	NA	Cornell Law
AT	A Brief History of Terrorism in the United States	Brian Resnick	4/16/2013	National Journal
AT	USS Cole Bombing Fast Facts	CNN Library	9/18/2013	CNN
AT	The History of Terrorism	Amy Zalman, Ph.D.	NA	About.com
Text Set #3: Political Cartoons				
3.1	Political Cartoons: The Human Aspect of Modern Conflict	Various	NA	College of Education at The University of Texas - Austin
Text Set #4: Seminal Arguments				
4.1	Osama bin Laden’s Declaration of Jihad against Americans	Osama bin Laden	1996	Salem Press
4.2	Bush’s first official response to 9/11 from the Oval Office (text)	President Bush	9/11/2001	Yale Law School - Avalon Project
4.2	Bush’s first official response to 9/11 from the Oval Office (video)	President Bush	9/11/2001	CNN/YouTube.com
4.3	A Place of Peace: for a 9/11 victim’s widow, revenge is not the answer	Lauren Frohne	9/4/2011	Boston Globe
AT	Joint Resolution to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against those responsible for the recent attacks launched against the United States.	Public Law 107–40	9/18/2001	107th Congress
AT	9/11 Paul Wolfowitz Interview PBS News Hour With Jim Lehrer September 14, 2001	Paul Wolfowitz	9/14/2001	PBS - Newshour with Jim Lehrer
AT	U.S. Response to Terrorism: A Strategic Analysis of the Afghanistan Campaign	Valentina Taddeo	Summer 2010	Journal of Strategic Security
Text Set #5: Additional Arguments				
5.1	Our War on Terrorism	Howard Zinn	11/2004	Progressive.org
5.2	Obama’s Speech on Drone Policy	President Obama	5/23/2013	New York Times
5.3	Remarks by President Obama on the death of Osama Bin Laden	President Obama	5/2/2011	Whitehouse.gov
5.4	Why Drones Work: The Case for Washington’s Weapon of Choice	Daniel L. Byman	2013	Brookings.edu
AT	Terrorism Can Be Defeated By Education, Tony Blair tells the UN	NA	11/22/2013	UN News/Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee