



# PIONEERS Co-Op

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## Overview of **WRITING with LITERATURE III** (8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>)

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### Literature for this year will include:

- *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell
- *A Single Shard* by Linda Sue Park
- *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster
- *The Bronze Bow* by Elizabeth G. Speare
- *Banner in the Sky* by James Ramsey Ullman

### Supplies:

- One 3-ring binder
- Three dividers for binder
- Several sharpened pencils
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- Composition notebook,  
100 sheets, 9 3/4" x 7 1/2"



### Writing with Literature 1-2-3 Progression:

Writing with Literature classes are designed to develop students in both skill and discernment, integrating strong writing with the study of meaningful literature. Across all three levels, emphasis is placed on the full writing process, from idea development to polished final drafts. Students will explore narrative, descriptive, expository, and persuasive writing at each level. Assignments include personal narratives, persuasive essays, descriptive writing, literary analysis, and research writing. Each class increasingly challenges students to think critically, write with purpose, and evaluate what they read through the lens of a biblical worldview. The goal of these classes is to produce thoughtful readers and capable writers, who can communicate truth with clarity and conviction.

### Writing with Literature 3 Class Description:

Writing with Literature 3 builds on previous skills, guiding students to engage in the writing process with greater depth and precision, producing clear, well-structured essays that include strong thesis statements, supporting evidence, and thoughtful conclusions. Emphasis is placed on critical thinking, persuasive writing, and evaluating ideas through a biblical worldview. Students will be challenged to communicate with clarity, maturity, and purpose as they grow in both skill and wisdom. Students will be most successful in this class if they are also continuing grammar instruction, such as Easy Grammar, at home.

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