# PK English/Language Arts Standards

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Phonological Awareness	<ul> <li>Demonstrates understanding of spoken words, syllables and some beginning sounds</li> <li>Recognizes and produces rhyming words Counts, pronounces blends and segments syllables in spoken words</li> <li>blends and segments onsets and rimes of single syllable words</li> <li>isolates and pronounces the initial and final sounds in single syllable words and their name</li> <li>Begins to add or substitute individual sounds in simple, one syllable words to make a new word</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can show that I understand what is said to me</li> <li>□ I can say the beginning sound in a word</li> <li>□ I can tell what words rhyme</li> <li>□ I can make my own rhyming words</li> <li>□ I can tap and count the beats in words</li> <li>□ I can blend the beats and sounds in words</li> <li>□ I can tell the ending sound in a word</li> <li>□ I can change the sounds in words to make new words</li> </ul>
Phonemic Awareness	<ul> <li>With prompting and support, applies beginning phonics and word analysis skills</li> <li>Links a sound to a picture of an object that begins with that sound</li> <li>Begins to link a sound to the corresponding printed letter</li> <li>Recognizes names of other children in the classroom and common print around the classroom</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can make the beginning sound to the picture that I see</li> <li>□ I can make the beginning sound to the letter that I see</li> <li>□ I can recognize the names of other children in the classroom</li> <li>□ I recognize the words I see in my classroom</li> </ul>
Reading	<ul> <li>Displays appropriate book handling skills and knowledge of print conventions</li> <li>Begins to track print from left to right and top to bottom</li> <li>Recognizes that print is something that is read and has specific meaning</li> <li>Begins to demonstrate that words are separated by spaces in print</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can show that I know how to handle a book</li> <li>□ I can follow words from left to right</li> <li>□ I can follow words from top to bottom</li> <li>□ I can point to a word and count the words in a sentence</li> <li>□ I know that we read the words and they tell the story</li> <li>□ I can name many upper and lower case letters</li> </ul>

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	text after hearing it read aloud or studying particular pages  Represents or acts out concepts learned from hearing an informational text read out loud  Asks questions about unknown words and phrases in informational texts read aloud or shared visually  Identifies front cover and back cover of book and title  Begins to describe the role of authors and illustrators	that are read to me  I can tell important facts about something I study in an informational book  I can show what I have learned from an informational book that is read to me  I can ask questions about the words or phrases that I do not understand in an informational book that is read to me  I can identify the front cover of a book  I can identify the back cover of a book  I can identify the title  I can tell what an author does  I can tell what an illustrator does  I can retell the important information from a book that is read to me  I can tell you about what I learn from pictures/photos/graphics  I can learn about a topic from different books  I can talk with my classmates about what we have learned from an informational book  I can use books, newspapers, menus, and other
	<ul> <li>Retells at least one major event from a simple story</li> <li>Identifies the main character in a simple story</li> <li>Asks questions about unknown words and phrases in stories</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>writing in my work and play</li> <li>I can ask and answer questions about stories</li> <li>I can retell the important things that happen in a story</li> <li>I can name the main character in a story.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Begins to recognize that there are different text structures, such as stories, poems, and songs</li> <li>Begins to describe the roles of authors and illustrators</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can ask about words that I don't understand in a story</li> <li>□ I can tell the difference between a poem, a story and an informational book</li> <li>□ I can tell what an author does</li> <li>□ I can tell what an illustrator does</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Participates in shared research and writing projects modeled by adults</li> <li>With guidance and support begins to recall information from experiences or gather information from different sources</li> <li>With prompting and support: shares drawing and writing with peers to gather additional ideas and/or answer questions</li> <li>Recognizes that digital tools are used for communication and with support and guidance uses them to convey messages in picture and/or words</li> <li>With prompting and support, uses a combination of drawing dictating and writing to communicate opinions on topics of interest, communicate information about a topic or tell a story</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can help to research something that I want to learn about</li> <li>□ I can help to document something we have learned about</li> <li>□ I can tell you about something that I have done or seen</li> <li>□ I can use different resources to research something I want to learn about</li> <li>□ I can share my drawings with my classmates and accept their feedback</li> <li>□ I can share writing with my classmates and accept their feedback</li> <li>□ I can explain how digital tools are used to communicate</li> <li>□ I can use digital tools to share my work with others</li> <li>□ I can use drawing, storytelling and writing to tell about things I like or know about</li> <li>□ I can tell a story or share what I know about a topic</li> </ul>
Language	<ul> <li>Capitalizes the first letter in one's own name Begins to recognize punctuation</li> <li>Begins to write letters to represent sound</li> <li>Begins to spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships</li> <li>Begins to demonstrate understanding of the conventions of standard English grammar</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can write my name with a capital at the beginning, and the rest in lower case</li> <li>□ I can name periods, question marks and exclamation points and tell what they mean</li> <li>□ I can write the letters that represent many sounds.</li> <li>□ I can sound out and write some words</li> <li>□ I can use words correctly when I speak</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>and usage when writing or speaking</li> <li>Prints some upper and lower case letters and can write their own name</li> <li>Uses frequently occurring nouns and verbs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can print some upper case letters</li> <li>□ I can print some lower case letters</li> <li>□ I can print my first name</li> <li>□ I can use many naming and doing words when I talk and tell stories</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>Describes familiar people, places, things, and events and with prompting and support, begins to provide additional detail</li> <li>Begins to add drawing or other visual displays to descriptions to provide additional detail</li> <li>Speaks audibly most of the time and expresses thoughts, feelings and ideas</li> <li>Asks questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood</li> <li>Follows agreed-upon rules for discussions</li> <li>Engages in conversations with multiple exchanges</li> <li>Retells stories using both storybook language and pictures</li> <li>Begins to make connections between characters in familiar stories</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can tell about people, places, things and events in my life. I can add more to my story to help others understand what I am talking about</li> <li>□ I can add drawings, photographs or models to help show my ideas</li> <li>□ I can use a "just right" voice level</li> <li>□ I can share my thoughts, feelings and ideas so that others understand them</li> <li>□ I can ask for help when I need it</li> <li>□ I can ask questions to learn about something</li> <li>□ I can ask questions to help me understand when I am confused</li> <li>□ I can follow the rules for talking at group time</li> <li>□ I can have back-and-forth conversations</li> <li>□ I can retell stories using storybook talk and pictures</li> <li>□ I can make connections between the characters in stories I know</li> </ul>

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CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I can statement
Phonological Awareness	<ul> <li>Recognize and produce rhyming words</li> <li>Count, pronounce, blend and segment syllables in spoken words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☐ I can use words, syllables and sounds</li> <li>☐ I can name words that rhyme</li> <li>☐ I can count and say syllables in words</li> </ul>
Phonemic Awareness	<ul> <li>Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words</li> <li>Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (CVC) words</li> <li>Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can put together and take apart word parts</li> <li>□ I can read CVC words</li> <li>□ I can say each sound of a word</li> <li>□ I can tell how two words that sound alike are different</li> </ul>
Reading	<ul> <li>Read common high-frequency words by sight</li> <li>Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet</li> <li>Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary sound or many of the most frequent sounds for each consonant. Associate the long and short sounds with the common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.</li> <li>Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page</li> <li>Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters Understand that words are separated by spaces in print</li> <li>Identify the front cover, back cover and title page of a book</li> <li>Name the author and illustrator of a text and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can read tricky/sight words</li> <li>□ I can identify all of the letters of the alphabet</li> <li>□ I know the sounds of each consonant</li> <li>□ I know at least one sound for each vowel</li> <li>□ I can tell how a book is organized</li> <li>□ I can follow words from left to right, top to bottom and page by page</li> <li>□ I know that written words represent spoken words</li> <li>□ I know that words are represented by spaces in print</li> <li>□ I can name the parts of a book</li> <li>□ I can name the author and illustrator and tell what they do</li> <li>□ I can ask and answer questions about what I read</li> <li>□ I can tell main idea of a story</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>define the role of each in presenting the ideas or information in a text</li> <li>With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story</li> <li>With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text</li> <li>With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear</li> <li>With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories</li> <li>Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding</li> <li>With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details</li> <li>With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text</li> <li>With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear</li> <li>Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding</li> </ul>	☐ I can tell how two people, places or things are connected in a story ☐ I can tell how pictures and words go together ☐ I can tell what they author is thinking and why ☐ I can compare two stories ☐ I can take part in group reading activities I can retell a story ☐ I can name characters, settings and events in a story. ☐ I can ask and answer questions about what I read ☐ I can tell the topic and details of a text ☐ I can ask and answer questions about words I do not know in a text ☐ I can tell how the pictures and words go together ☐ I can take part in group reading activities
Writing	❖ Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic of the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book	<ul> <li>I can use detailed pictures and words to tell about a topic or book</li> <li>I can print uppercase and lowercase letters</li> <li>I can write and say familiar words</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic</li> <li>With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed</li> <li>Participate in shared research and writing projects</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can write sentences</li> <li>□ I can capitalize the word in a sentence and the pronoun</li> <li>□ I can write a letter or letters for consonant and short vowel sounds</li> <li>□ I can answer questions about what I write</li> <li>□ I can work with others to read and write about a topic</li> </ul>
Language	<ul> <li>Recognize and name end punctuation</li> <li>Print many upper and lowercase letters</li> <li>Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs</li> <li>Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun</li> <li>Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can recognize end punctuation</li> <li>□ I can name end punctuation</li> <li>□ I can print many upper case letters</li> <li>□ I can print many lowercase letters</li> <li>□ I can use frequently occurring nouns</li> <li>□ I can use frequently occurring verbs</li> <li>□ I can capitalize the first word in a sentence</li> <li>□ I can write a letter or letters for most consonant and short vowel sounds</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood</li> <li>Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can ask and answer questions about details</li> <li>□ I can ask questions to get help understanding something</li> <li>□ I can ask and answer questions about a text read outloud or something presented</li> </ul>

# **Grade 1 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Organization of Text</li> <li>Fluency and Accuracy</li> <li>Key Details</li> <li>Compare and Contrast</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can identify the main idea and recall important information from a text(ie characters, setting, events)</li> <li>□ I can compare and contrast experiences in more than one story</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Opinion Writing</li> <li>Informative Writing</li> <li>Narrative Writing</li> <li>The Writing Process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can write about my opinion by introducing a topic, providing reasons, and having a conclusion</li> <li>□ I can write an informative piece by introducing a topic, supplying facts, and a conclusion.</li> <li>□ I can write a narrative that includes at least two sequenced events using linking words</li> <li>□ I can respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details when needed</li> </ul>
Language	❖ Communication	<ul> <li>□ I can communicate my ideas clearly through speaking and writing</li> <li>□ I can print all upper and lowercase letters.</li> <li>□ I can use appropriate capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing</li> </ul>

☐ I can produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation	Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>Communication</li> <li>Comprehension and Collaboration</li> <li>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</li> </ul>	
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# Grade 2 English/Language Arts Standards

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I can statement
Phonemic Awareness	<ul> <li>Decodes and writes short and long vowel sound words</li> <li>Knows and applies phonics and word analysis skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can decode and write short and long vowel sound words</li> <li>□ I can apply phonics to my reading and writing</li> </ul>
Reading	<ul> <li>Makes logical predictions when reading</li> <li>Uses comprehension strategies to understand texas</li> <li>Describes characters and how they respond to main events and challenges</li> <li>Determine the theme and/or main idea in a text</li> <li>Reads with accuracy, fluency and expression</li> <li>Read and comprehend literature and informational texts, including stories and poetry in the grades 2-3 text complexity band proficiently</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can make predictions when reading</li> <li>□ I can use comprehension strategies to understand what I am reading</li> <li>□ I can describe characters and how they respond to events and challenges</li> <li>□ I can determine the theme in a text(fiction)</li> <li>□ I can determine the main idea in a text(nonfiction)</li> <li>□ I can read with accuracy</li> <li>□ I can independently read fiction and nonfiction texts fluently at grade level</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Generates ideas for writing</li> <li>Writes a sequential story using a clear beginning,</li> </ul>	☐ Using the writing process, I can produce polished pieces with support from an adult

	<ul> <li>middle and end</li> <li>Uses descriptive language and details</li> <li>Writes opinion pieces with supporting reasoning</li> <li>Writes informational text with supporting facts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can write a sequential story using a clear beginning, middle and end</li> <li>□ I can use descriptive language and details</li> <li>□ I can write an opinion piece with supporting reasons</li> <li>□ I can write informational text with supporting facts</li> </ul>
Language	<ul> <li>Uses capitalization and punctuation appropriately</li> <li>Uses grade-appropriate spelling</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can use capitalization appropriately</li> <li>□ I can use punctuation appropriately</li> <li>□ I can use grade appropriate spelling</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>❖ Comprehension and collaboration</li> <li>❖ Presentation of knowledge and ideas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups</li> <li>□ I can ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to clarify comprehension, gather additional information, or deepen understanding about a topic or issue</li> <li>□ I can tell a story or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant descriptive details speaking audibly and in coherent sentences</li> <li>□ I can produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation</li> </ul>

## **Grade 3 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I can statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension</li> <li>Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring specifically to the text and text features as the basis for the answers(fiction and nonfiction)</li> <li>Compare and contrast the themes, settings and plots of stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters(e.g in books from a series)</li> <li>Describe characters in a story(eg their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events</li> <li>Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can use decoding strategies to solve unknown words independently</li> <li>□ I can independently answer questions about a just right book by looking back in the text.</li> <li>□ I can refer to explicit text and text features to form my answer</li> <li>□ I can independently and accurately identify story elements in a text (character, setting, problem, solution, rising action, falling action, climax, resolution, etc)</li> <li>□ I can explain in a logical sequence making specific reference to the original text</li> <li>□ I can independently compare and contrast story elements</li> <li>□ I can independently and accurately identify characters' feelings and traits using evidence</li> </ul>

		from the text.  I can independently and accurately determine the main idea of a text  I can identify the key details and explain how they support the main idea
Writing	<ul> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly</li> <li>Write routinely over extended time frames(time for research, reflection and revision) and shorter time frames(a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes and audiences</li> <li>Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons</li> <li>Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details and clear event sequences.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can independently write an introductory paragraph that introduces a topic</li> <li>□ I can develop body paragraphs using facts and definitions</li> <li>□ I can use details</li> <li>□ I can use transition words</li> <li>□ I can provide a concluding statement or section</li> <li>□ I can successfully complete all the steps in the writer's process independently after a teacher prompt</li> <li>□ I can successfully complete brainstorming, drafting, editing, revising and publishing</li> <li>□ I can independently write an introductory paragraph which states an opinion</li> <li>□ I can independently organize body paragraphs that support that opinion</li> <li>□ I can include transition words</li> <li>□ I can include a concluding statement or section</li> <li>□ I can independently write a multi-paragraph story that includes the elements of fiction(characters, setting, sequence, dialogue, sensory details, transitions words)</li> <li>□ I can write a closure with prompting</li> </ul>
Language	<ul> <li>Demonstrate command of conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation and spelling when writing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☐ I can follow the rules of capitalization</li> <li>☐ I can follow the rules of punctuation</li> <li>☐ I can use spelling patterns</li> </ul>

		☐ I can (in writing and when speaking) communicate my ideas
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>❖ Comprehension and collaboration</li> <li>❖ Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can effectively engage in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners on third grade topics and texts building on others ideas and expressing my own clearly</li> <li>I can ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and details</li> <li>I can report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly and at an understandable pace</li> </ul>

# **Grade 4 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I can statement
Phonemic Awareness	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words	<ul> <li>☐ I can read and understand root words that also have prefixes or suffixes</li> <li>☐ I can read unfamiliar words that have more than one syllable</li> </ul>
Reading	<ul> <li>Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension</li> <li>Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text</li> <li>Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, summarize the text</li> <li>Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose and refer to the structural elements of poems(eg verse, rhythm, meter) and drama(eg casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text</li> <li>Describe the overall structure(eg chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problems/solution) of events, ideas, concepts or information in a text or part of a text</li> <li>Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can use context to check my understanding of fourth grade texts and reread if necessary</li> <li>□ I can make conclusions about an author's meaning by thinking about details and examples in the text</li> <li>□ I can figure out the theme of a piece of fiction by thinking about the details in the text</li> <li>□ I can summarize a piece of fiction in my own words</li> <li>□ I can compare differences between poems, plays and fictional stories</li> <li>□ I can refer to specific elements of each genre when I write or talk about a piece of fiction</li> <li>□ I can identify and understand structures of informational text and use them to comprehend a text selection</li> <li>□ I can compare and contrast similar themes and events in stories, myths and traditional literature from two different cultures</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information</li> </ul>	☐ I can use my point of view, including a thesis statement, with multiple pieces of

	<ul> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly</li> <li>Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details and clear event sequences</li> <li>With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising and editing(editing for conventions should demonstrate command of language standards 1-3 and up to grade 4)</li> </ul>	supporting evidence, to share my opinion  I can use evidence to explain my ideas and inform the reader effectively in writing  I can write stories using a clear sequence of events and descriptive details  I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults
Language	❖ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking	☐ I can demonstrate command of standard English conventions (capitalization, punctuation, spelling and grammar) when writing and speaking
Speaking/Listening	Lengage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-one, in groups and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	<ul> <li>□ I can effectively engage in one-one discussions with peers, building on another's ideas and clearly expressing my own.</li> <li>□ I can effectively engage in group discussions with peers, building on another's ideas and clearly expressing my own.</li> </ul>

## **Grade 5 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.</li> <li>Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text</li> <li>Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text</li> <li>Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text</li> <li>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative language such as metaphors and similes</li> <li>Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area</li> <li>Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences how events are described</li> <li>Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent</li> <li>Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension</li> <li>Use context to confirm or self-correct word</li> </ul>	informational texts are supported by the details in the text

	recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary	<ul> <li>□ I can determine the meanings of words and phrases the author uses</li> <li>□ I can understand the meaning of figurative language in a fiction text</li> <li>□ I can understand similes and metaphors in a fiction text</li> <li>□ I can determine the meanings of words and phrases the author uses in informational text</li> <li>□ I can determine the meanings of words and phrases in science and social studies texts</li> <li>□ I can describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences a fiction text</li> <li>□ I can analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic by discussing similarities and differences in their points of view</li> <li>□ I can read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension</li> <li>□ I can use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information</li> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly</li> <li>Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequence</li> <li>With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting or trying a new approach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can write to share my opinions on topics or texts and provide reasons and information to support that opinion.</li> <li>□ I can introduce my topic clearly, state my opinion, and group related ideas together.</li> <li>□ I can present my reasons in a logical order and support my reasons with facts and details</li> <li>□ I can connect my opinion and reasons using transition words and phrases</li> <li>□ I can write a conclusion that is related to the opinion I present</li> <li>□ I can write to inform/explain topics or ideas</li> </ul>

to others clearly
☐ I can introduce my topic, give a focus for my topic, and group related information
together logically
☐ I can include formatting, illustrations,
and/or multimedia in my writing to help
others understand my topic
☐ I can develop a topic using facts, definitions, details, quotations or other information and
examples
☐ I can connect related ideas throughout my
writing using transition words and phrases.
I can use precise wording and specific vocabulary to teach others about a topic
☐ I can write a conclusion that is related to
the information or explanation I present
☐ I can conduct short research projects to help
me learn about topics through investigation
I can recall what I have learned or find new information from books or technology to
help me with my research
☐ I can summarize or paraphrase information
in my notes and in my published work
☐ I can provide a list of sources that I used for
gathering information for my writing
☐ I can gather evidence from fiction or informational text to support my
investigation, thinking and research
☐ I can write a story with a clear sequence and
detailed descriptions
☐ I can provide an introduction in my story
that creates a situation, introduces a narrator and characters and organizes a plot
that unfolds naturally
☐ I can use different techniques like dialogue

		and description to develop experiences and events or to show how the characters respond to different situations in the story  I can use different types of transition words and phrases to help with the sequence of my story  I can use specific words and phrases as well as sensory details to describe experiences and events  I can write a conclusion that makes sense with the experiences and events I shared in my story  I can use steps in the writing process  I can produce clear writing with appropriate development and organization to fit my task, purpose and audience  I can use technology to create and publish my writing  I can use appropriate keyboarding skills to type at least two pages of my writing in a single sitting  I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic
Language	<ul> <li>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking</li> <li>Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading or listening</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can use conjunctions, prepositions and interjections in my writing</li> <li>I can recognize and fix verb tenses that are used incorrectly</li> <li>I can use correct spelling, capitalization and punctuation in my sentences</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	Speak clearly and at understandable pace when giving a report or sharing an opinion	☐ I can speak clearly and at an understandable pace when I give a report or share my opinion

# **Grade 6 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Cite text evidence to support what text says explicitly</li> <li>Cite text evidence to make and explain inferences</li> <li>Determine a theme or main idea of a text with fiction and non-fiction texts</li> <li>Describe how a particular story's plot unfolds by identifying story elements and summarizing</li> <li>Determine how characters are developed and change over the course of a story</li> <li>Explain how an author develops point of view</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can use text evidence(details from the text) to explain what is happening in the story</li> <li>□ I can expand on my answer and explain how I know</li> <li>□ I can use text evidence(details from the text) to make inferences</li> <li>□ I can explain how the text evidence supports my inference</li> <li>□ I can use text evidence(details from the text) to explain the main idea or theme in a story or article and explain how I know</li> <li>□ I can describe the story elements in a fiction story using a plot diagram(or another organizer)</li> <li>□ I can write a summary retelling the story in my own words and without adding my opinion</li> <li>□ I can use text evidence(details from the text) to explain how the author develops a character in these 5 ways: physical, dialogue, actions, thoughts and feelings, other character actions/feelings</li> <li>□ I can explain point of view(perspective the story is told from) in a fiction story by using text evidence(details from the text)</li> <li>□ I can explain how an author's word choice affects the tone of a story.</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences</li> </ul>	☐ I can write a narrative that has a sequence of events and stays on topic

<ul> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts and information</li> <li>With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach; use the writing process</li> <li>Gather relevant information from multiple sources and assess credibility; eite sources through a basic bibliography</li> </ul>	my narrative  I can write an exciting lead to my story that engages readers
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		☐ I can write a basic bibliography to give credit to my sources
Language	Use proper English conventions(punctuation, capitalization, spelling) and use proper grammar	<ul> <li>□ I can identify and use pronouns</li> <li>□ I can identify and use the correct parts of speech in my writing</li> <li>□ I can correctly capitalize punctuate and spell in my writing</li> <li>□ I can apply dialogue punctuation correctly using my guidelines</li> <li>□ I can write in the correct tense(past/present/future) throughout my story</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>Engage effectively in collaborative discussions(one-on-one, in groups and teacherled) build on others' ideas and express my own ideas clearly</li> <li>Present claims and findings sequencing ideas logically and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and details to accentuate main ideas or themes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can actively participate in class discussions by expressing my ideas and listening and responding to others</li> <li>□ I can present a project to an audience using my research to explain my thinking I can use multiple ways to enhance my presentation such as graphics, images, videos, music, visual displays</li> </ul>

# **Grade 7 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Cite text evidence to support what text says explicitly</li> <li>Determine a theme or central idea of a text with fiction and nonfiction texts and how it develops over the course of a text</li> <li>Analyze how ideas or textual elements influence plot development</li> <li>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone</li> <li>Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others</li> <li>Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims</li> <li>Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period as a means of understanding how authors of fiction use or alter history</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can use pieces of textual evidence (two or more) to support the text's big ideas</li> <li>□ I can explain how that evidence supports the text's big ideas</li> <li>□ I can identify the theme</li> <li>□ I can explain how pieces of the text support my identified themes or main ideas</li> <li>□ I can identify character conflict</li> <li>□ I can compare and contrast character points of view. I can identify plot elements</li> <li>□ I can explain how individuals, events, ideas and textual elements influence plot</li> <li>□ I can explain the meaning of words and phrases taken from context</li> <li>□ I can explain how specific word choice affects meaning and ton</li> <li>□ I can identify the author's point of view or purpose in informational text</li> <li>□ I can analyze how the author presents his/her argument</li> <li>□ I can identify an opinion piece</li> <li>□ I can determine whether or not the author's arguments are backed with solid evidence</li> <li>□ I can compare and contrast two opinion pieces on the same topic</li> <li>□ I can recognize the differences between historical fiction and nonfiction</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul> <li>Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence</li> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☐ I can write a thesis statement</li> <li>☐ I can use relevant information and clear reasoning to support my thesis</li> </ul>

	topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content  With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach; uses the writing process  Use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others  Gather relevant information from multiple sources and assess credibility; cite sources through a basic bibliography	<ul> <li>□ I can write an organized five paragraph essay about a selected topic</li> <li>□ I can write an introductory paragraph that includes a starter and a thesis statement</li> <li>□ I can write a conclusion that recycles the introductory paragraph</li> <li>□ I can write body paragraphs that follow the thesis statement</li> <li>□ I can incorporate relevant facts/information in body paragraphs to support my thesis</li> <li>□ I can peer edit my classmates' writing</li> <li>□ I can make revisions/edits to my writing based on feedback from my classmates and teachers</li> <li>□ I can use technology to publish my writing.</li> <li>□ I can use the internet to collaborate with others during the writing process</li> <li>□ I can gather information from multiple resources including books and technology</li> <li>□ I can paraphrase information to support research</li> <li>□ I can figure out if a source is credible.</li> <li>□ I can write a basic bibliography to give credit to my sources</li> <li>□ I can use the internet to find sources that support my claims</li> </ul>
Language	Use proper English conventions (punctuation, capitalization, spelling); use proper grammar	<ul> <li>□ I can show that I know how to correctly capitalize, punctuate and spell correctly in my writing</li> <li>□ I can compose a complete sentence that includes a predicate and a subject</li> <li>□ I can use punctuation appropriately in compound/complex sentences</li> <li>□ I can identify verb tense and use the same</li> </ul>

		tense throughout a writing piece
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>(one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led); build on others' ideas and express own ideas clearly</li> <li>❖ Present information effectively to an audience</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ I can actively participate in class discussions by expressing my ideas and listening and responding to others</li> <li>□ I follow our Circles Expectations to respect myself, teachers and my classmates</li> <li>□ I can work with my classmates collaboratively to problem solve and explore ideas</li> <li>□ I can analyze a speaker's claims to determine the soundness of evidence</li> </ul>

## **Grade 8 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Cite text evidence to support what text says explicitly</li> <li>Determine a theme or central idea of a text with fiction and nonfiction texts and how it develops over the course of a text</li> <li>Analyze how ideas or textual elements influence plot development</li> <li>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone</li> <li>Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others</li> <li>Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new.</li> <li>Analyze the extent to which a filmed or live production of a story or drama stays faithful to or departs from the text or script, evaluating the choices made by the director or actors.</li> </ul>	☐ I can use pieces of textual evidence that most strongly support key concepts ☐ I can explain how that evidence supports the text's key concepts ☐ I can identify the theme ☐ I can explain how pieces of the text support my identified themes or main ideas ☐ I can provide an objective summary of a text ☐ I can identify character conflict ☐ I can compare and contrast character points of views. I can identify plot elements ☐ I can explain how individuals, events, ideas and textual elements influence plot ☐ I can explain the meaning of words and phrases taken from context ☐ I can explain how specific word choice affects meaning and tone ☐ I can recognize when a text is alluding to another text ☐ I can identify the author's point of view or purpose in informational text ☐ I can analyze how the author presents his/her argument ☐ I can identify where and how an author acknowledges and refutes conflicting viewpoints. ☐ I can identify religious and historical allusions in a modern work of fiction ☐ I can recognize common themes and patterns in both ancient and modern works of fiction ☐ I can compare similarities and differences

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Writing	<ul> <li>Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence</li> <li>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content</li> <li>Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences</li> <li>With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach; uses the writing process</li> <li>Use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others</li> <li>Gather relevant information from multiple sources and assess credibility; cite sources through a basic bibliography</li> </ul>	☐ I can use relevant information and clear reasoning to support my thesis ☐ I can write an organized five paragraph essay ☐ I can write an introductory paragraph that includes an introductory sentence and a thesis statement ☐ I can write an effective conclusion ☐ I can write body paragraphs that follow the thesis statement ☐ I can incorporate relevant facts/information in body paragraphs to support my thesis ☐ I can use relevant descriptive details and a well-structured plot to develop imagined experiences ☐ I can develop round characters for a fictional piece

Language	<ul> <li>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking</li> <li>Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies</li> <li>Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening</li> <li>Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression</li> </ul>
Speaking/Listening	<ul> <li>Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly</li> <li>Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation</li> </ul>

#### **Grade 9/10 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic)</li> <li>Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text</li> <li>Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text</li> <li>Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme</li> <li>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone)</li> <li>Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise</li> <li>Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can</li> <li>□ Consistently and effectively cite strong and thorough textual evidence</li> <li>□ Thoroughly support analysis of what the text explicitly says</li> <li>□ Draw inferences from the text and explain how the inferences enhance character development, plot, setting, etc.</li> <li>□ Determine a range of complex themes or central ideas</li> <li>□ Provide a sophisticated analysis of how themes or central ideas develop over the course of a text, including how they emerge, and how they are shaped and refined by specific details</li> <li>□ Provide a detailed and concise objective summary of the text</li> <li>□ Consistently and thoroughly analyze how complex characters:</li> <li>□ Develop over the course of a text</li> <li>□ Interact with other characters</li> <li>□ Advance the plot or develop the theme</li> <li>□ Accurately determine the contextual meanings of words and phrases and skillfully analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices, including figurative and connotative language on meaning and tone</li> <li>□ Consistently and accurately analyze how an author's choices create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise based on:</li> <li>□ Text structure</li> </ul>

wide reading of world literature from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare)  Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text  Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text  Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them  Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper)  Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter)  Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how an author uses rhetoric to advance that point of view or purpose	<ul> <li>□ Order of events within it</li> <li>□ Time manipulation</li> <li>□ Consistently and accurately analyzes a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States</li> <li>□ Consistently and accurately analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work</li> <li>□ Effectively cite strong and thorough textual evidence</li> <li>□ Thoroughly support analysis of what the text explicitly says</li> <li>□ Skillfully draw inferences from the text</li> <li>□ Effectively determine a theme or central idea</li> <li>□ Thoroughly analyze its development over the course of a text, how it emerges, and how it is shaped and refined by specific details</li> <li>□ Provide an objective summary of the text</li> <li>□ Effectively analyze how the author unfolds ideas or series of events</li> <li>□ Thoroughly identify the order in which points are made</li> <li>□ Identify connections drawn between them</li> <li>□ Accurately determine the contextual meanings of words and phrases and skillfully analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices, including figurative and connotative language on meaning and tone</li> <li>□ Analyze how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by making connections to particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text</li> <li>□ Skillfully determine an author's point of view or</li> </ul>

		purpose in a text with strong evidence  ☐ Skillfully analyze how an author uses rhetoric to advance that point of view or purpose with strong evidence
Research	While conducting research, collect relevant information from multiple print and digital sources	I can  ☐ Gather rich information taken from multiple authoritative sources

Writing	<ul> <li>While conducting research, integrate accurate information into the project selectively and purposefully to maintain the flow of ideas, while following a standard citation format and avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source</li> <li>Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research</li> <li>Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence</li> <li>Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns</li> <li>Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions</li> <li>Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can</li> <li>□ Integrate accurate information into the project selectively and purposefully to maintain the flow of ideas through effective transitions</li> <li>□ Effectively punctuate citations</li> <li>□ Provide accurate in-text citations</li> <li>□ Provide accurate information from a variety of rich sources</li> <li>□ Extensively draw evidence from the informational texts that were read; uses the information to support analysis, reflection, and research.</li> <li>□ Introduce a compelling claim that is clearly arguable and takes a purposeful position on an issue</li> <li>□ Write with structure and organization that is carefully crafted to support the claim</li> <li>□ Provide convincing and relevant data</li> <li>□ Gather evidence to back up the claim and skillfully addresses counterclaims</li> <li>□ Skillfully orients reader to complex topic(s) in introduction</li> <li>□ Thoroughly develops complex topic(s) with relevant body paragraphs</li> <li>□ Purposefully engages and orients the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, and establishing one or multiple point(s) of view</li> <li>□ Expertly introduces a narrator and/or characters</li> </ul>
Language	<ul> <li>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking</li> <li>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can</li> <li>□ Demonstrate consistent control of conventions with a variety of sentence structures.</li> <li>□ Capitalize, punctuate and spell accurately and with style</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>❖ Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening</li> <li>❖ Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies</li> <li>❖ Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings</li> <li>❖ Acquire and use accurately, general academic and domain-specific words and phrases,</li> <li>□ V</li> <li></li></ul>	Identify and make use of how language is used to portray different styles of writing (voice, diction, tone, mood) Write and identify different formats of writing (MLA, APA, etc) Determine and clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases Make use of figurative language, complex word relationships, and nuances in word meanings in my speaking and writing Understand the connotation and denotation of vocabulary Accurately identify and use domain-specific words and phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening Gather vocabulary knowledge independently
Speaking/Listening	thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.  Operate effectively in a group to promote a civil exchange of ideas that probes reasoning and evidence  Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning. Use organization, development, style, and substance appropriate to a range of purposes and audiences for both formal and informal tasks	Prepare for the discussion by reading and researching the material under study; refers to precise and sufficient evidence from the text in order to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas  Work with peers to set clear and specific rules, goals and deadlines for a collegial discussion  Consistently and effectively build on others' ideas and clearly and persuasively expresses their own ideas  Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, accurately qualifies or justifies their own views respectfully and thoughtfully when appropriate,

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☐ Speak using an audience	expressive tone to engage the
	propriate pace, by slowing down
and using empl	nasis when necessary

□ Speak with clarity, by eliminating filler words (example: um, like, uh, so) and unintentional pauses □ Face the audience when presenting and using appropriate gestures and body language □ Make eye contact with the audience as a whole □ Effectively expand on presentation findings in an
insightful manner

## **Grade 11/12 English/Language Arts Standards**

CATEGORY	STANDARD	Performance Indicator/I Can Statement
Reading	<ul> <li>❖ Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain</li> <li>❖ Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text</li> <li>❖ Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed)</li> <li>❖ Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors)</li> <li>❖ Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact</li> <li>❖ Analyze a case in which grasping a point of</li> </ul>	□ I can cite strong textual evidence from the text. Sufficiently support analysis of what the text explicitly says. Draw inferences from the text I can determine a theme or central idea. Analyze how it develops over the course of a text, including how it emerges, and how it is shaped and refined by specific details. Objectively and concisely summarize a text I can analyze how complex characters: develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, advance the plot or develop the theme I can determine the contextual meanings of words and phrases and analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices, including figurative and connotative language on meaning and tone I can analyze how an author's choices create such effects as mystery, tension or surprise based on: text structure, order of events within it, time manipulation I can sufficiently analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States I can analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work I can reasonably cite strong textual evidence Support analysis of what the text explicitly says Draw inferences from the text I can reasonably determine a theme or central idea. Sufficiently analyze its development over

- view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).
- ❖ By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range
- ❖ By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently
- Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem
- ❖ Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court majority opinions and dissents) and the premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy (e.g., The Federalist, presidential addresses)
- ❖ Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (including The Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address) for their themes, purposes, and rhetorical features
- Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly

- the course of a text, how it emerges and how it is shaped and refined by specific details and provide an objective summary of the text
- ☐ I can analyze how the author unfolds ideas or series of events, identify the order in which points are made, identify connections drawn between them
- ☐ I can determine the contextual meanings of words and phrases. Analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices, including figurative and connotative language on meaning and tone
- ☐ I can analyze how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs or larger portions of a text
- ☐ I can accurately determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text with limited or inaccurate evidence. Analyze . how an author uses rhetoric to advance that point of view or purpose with limited or inaccurate evidence

	as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain  Determine two more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text  Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas or events interact and develop over the course of the text  Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text.  Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing and engaging  Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is
	❖ Determine an author's point of view or
Research	<ul> <li>❖ While conducting research, collect relevant information from multiple print and digital sources</li> <li>❖ While conducting research, integrate accurate information into the project selectively and purposefully to maintain the flow of ideas, while following a standard citation format and avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source</li> <li>❖ Draw evidence from literary or informational texts</li> <li>□ I can gather relevant information taken from multiple credible sources</li> <li>□ I can integrate accurate information into the project selectively and purposefully to maintain the flow of ideas. Effectively punctuate citations. Provide accurate information from credible sources.</li> <li>□ I can gather relevant information taken from multiple credible sources</li> <li>□ I can integrate accurate information into the project selectively and purposefully to maintain the flow of ideas. Effectively punctuate citations. Provide accurate information from credible sources.</li> <li>□ I can draw evidence from informational texts that</li> </ul>

	to support analysis, reflection and research	were read. I can use information to support analysis, reflection and research.
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## **Writing** Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s) ☐ I can provide relevant data and evidence to back establish the significance of the claim(s) up the claim and address counterclaims distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or ☐ I can orient the reader of the topic in introduction opposing claim(s) and create an organization ☐ I can develop topics with relevant body that logically sequences claim(s) paragraphs counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. I can engage and orient the reader by setting out ❖ Develop claim(s) and counterclaim(s) fairly a problem, situation and establishing one or and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant multiple points of view evidence for each while pointing out the ☐ I can introduce a narrator and/or characters strengths and limitations of both in a manner ☐ I can create cohesion and clarify relationships that anticipates the audience's knowledge through transition/linking words, phrases, and level, concerns, values and possible biases. clauses within or between paragraphs and ❖ Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, sections concepts and information so that each new ☐ I can use precise words and phrases, telling element builds on that which precedes it to details and sensory language to convey a vivid create a unified whole; include formatting, picture of the experiences, events, setting and/or graphics, and multimedia when useful to characters aiding comprehension I can present a formal, objective tone Engage and orient the reader by setting out a ☐ I can demonstrate standard English conventions problem, situation or observation and its of usage and mechanics while attending to the significance, establishing one or multiple norms of the discipline points of view, and introducing a narrator I can provide a conclusion that follows from and and/or characters; create a smooth supports information or explanation presented, progression of experiences or events articulating the significance of the topic Use a variety of techniques to sequence events I can effectively use a variety of narrative so that they build on one another to create a techniques such as dialogue, pacing, and coherent whole and build toward a particular description to develop experiences, events and/or tone and outcome characters ❖ Use precise words and phrases, telling details, ☐ I can use techniques to sequence events that build and sensory language to convey a vivid picture on one another to create a coherent whole of the experiences, events, setting and/or characters Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing

	<ul> <li>♦ Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from or supports the information or explanation presented</li> <li>♦ Use narrative techniques such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection and multiple plot lines to develop experiences, events and/or characters</li> </ul>	
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Language	standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking  Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing  Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening  Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies	can demonstrate control of conventions with a rariety of sentence structures can capitalize, punctuate and spell correctly can identify how language is used to portray different styles of writing. I can identify different formats of writing can determine or clarify the meaning of anknown and multiple meaning words and obrases can demonstrate understanding of figurative anguage, word relationships and nuances in word meanings can understand the denotation of vocabulary can accurately identify domain specific words when reading and listening can gather vocabulary knowledge
Speaking/Listening	and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used  Refer to evidence from texts and other	can sufficiently evaluate a speaker's point of riew, reasoning and use of evidence and rhetoric, dentifying any fallacious reasoning or exaggerated or distorted evidence can prepare for the discussion by reading and researching the material under study; I can refer

	<ul> <li>thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.</li> <li>Operate effectively in a group to promote a civil exchange of ideas that probes reasoning and evidence.</li> <li>Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.</li> <li>Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks.</li> <li>Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.</li> <li>Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11-12 Language standards 1 and 3 here for specific expectations.)</li> </ul>	to relevant and sufficient evidence from the text in order to stimulate an exchange of ideas  I can work with peers to set rules, goals and deadlines for discussions. I can frequently and reasonably build on others' ideas and clearly and persuasively express my own ideas  I can respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives. I can qualify or justify my own view, when appropriate, using evidence and reasoning  I can sufficiently organize and develop information  I can include claims and supporting evidence  I can present information clearly, concisely and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning  I can adjust the style to suit a range of purposes and audiences  I can demonstrate substantial knowledge of my subject  I can use media to present my information and findings in an effective way to show my reasoning and evidence that is true to my topic  I can successfully use textual, graphical, audio, visual, and/or interactive elements in my presentation  I can effectively demonstrate command of formal English  I can adapt speech according to the task and context of the presentation  I can speak at an appropriate voice level so the audience can fully hear me  I can Speak using an expressive tone. I can speak an appropriate pace, by slowing down when necessary
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