The primary purpose of this "Standards-at-a-Glance" Document is to give a clear picture of the standards in an easily accessible format. It allows teachers to see the vertical alignment and progression of each standard from grade to grade. This document will promote a deeper understanding of the Standards as teachers plan for classroom instruction. The Document will aid teachers' understanding of how to teach the Standards through a natural progression of student mastery.

Reading Standards for Literature (RL) K-2

Key Ideas and Details			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RL.K.1 Ask and answer questions about a text	RL.1.1 Ask and answer questions about a text	RL.2.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text	
RL.K.2 Retell familiar stories using main ideas and key details	RL.1.2 Retell stories using main ideas and key details	RL.2.2 Retell stories and determine their central message (main idea), lesson, or moral	
RL.K.3 Identify characters, settings, and sequence of major events in a story	RL.1.3 Describe characters, settings, and sequence of events in a story	RL.2.3 Describe how characters in a story respond to major events and challenges	
Craft and Structure			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RL.K.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text	RL.1.4 Identify specific words that express feelings and senses	RL.2.4 Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in a story, poem, or song	
RL.K.5 Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems)	RL.1.5 Identify a variety of genres and explain major differences between literary texts and informational texts	RL.2.5 Describe sequential events in story using beginning, middle, and end	
RL.K.6 Name the author and illustrator and define the role of each in telling the story	RL.1.6 Identify who is telling the story at various points in a text	RL.2.6 Acknowledge differences in the points of view of characters	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RL.K.7 Describe the relationship between illustrations and the text	RL.1.7 Use illustrations and detail to describe characters, setting, or events	RL.2.7 Demonstrate understanding of story elements and/or topics by applying information gained from illustrations and text	
RL.K.8 NA to Literature	RL.1.8 NA to Literature	RL.2.8 NA to Literature	
RL.K.9 Make text to self, text to world, and text to text connections	RL.1.9 Make text to self, text to world, and text to text connections	RL.2.9 Compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story by different authors or from different cultures	
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RL.K.10 Actively engage in group reading activities with	RL.1.10 Read grade 1 prose and poetry with purpose	RL.2.10 Read with purpose and comprehend literature in	

purpose and understanding	and understanding	the grades 2-3 text complexity band, with scaffolding as needed
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Reading Standards for Informational Text (RI) K-2

Reading Standards for Informational Text (RI) K-2			
Key Ideas and Details			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RI.K.1 Ask and answer questions about a text	RI.1.1 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text	RI.2.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text	
RI.K.2 Identify the topic and key details of a text	RI.1.2 Identify the main topic and retell key details of a text	RI.2.2 Identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text	
RI.K.3 Identify and describe connections between individuals, events, and pieces of information in a text	RI.1.3 Describe the connection between individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text	RI.2.3 Describe the connections between a series of ideas, concepts, or events	
Craft and Structure			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RI.K.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text	RI.1.4 Ask and answer questions to determine or clarify unknown words in a text	RI.2.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 2 topic or subject area	
RI.K.5 Identify front cover, back cover, and title page of a book	RI.1.5 Use text features to locate key facts or information in a text	RI.2.5 Know and use various text features to locate key facts or information in a text efficiently	
RI.K.6 Name the author and illustrator and define the role of each the text	RI.1.6 Describe how illustrations and words in a text provide different information	RI.2.6 Identify the main purpose of a text and identify what the author wants to answer, explain, or describe	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RI.K.7 Describe the relationship between illustrations and the text	RI.1.7 Use illustrations and details in a text to describe its key ideas	RI.2.7 Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text	
RI.K.8 With support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text	RI.1.8 Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text	RI.2.8 Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text.	
RI.K.9 Make text to self, text to world, and text to text connections	RI.1.9 Make text to self, text to world, and text to text connections	RI.2.9 Compare and contrast the most important points presented by two texts on the same topic	
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RI.K.10 Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding	RI.1.10 Read grade 1 informational texts with purpose and understanding	RI.2.10 Read with purpose and comprehend informational texts in the 2-3 text complexity band, with scaffolding as needed	

Reading Standards for Foundational Skills (RF) K-2

rint Concepts			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RF.K.1 Demonstrate understanding of basic features of print 1a. Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page 1b. Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters 1c. Understand that words are separated by spaces 1d. Recognize and name all upper and lowercase letters 1e. With tools, recognize a letters position in the alphabet	RK.1.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print 1a. Recognize distinguishing features of a sentence (e.g. first word, capitalization, punctuation) 1b. Alphabetize words to the first and second letter	Addressed in K and 1	
Phonological Awareness			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RF.K.2 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes) 2a. Recognize and produce rhyming words 2b. Count, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words 2c. Blend and segment onsets and rhymes of single syllable spoken words 2d. Isolate and pronounce the initial sound, medial vowel, and final sounds in 3 phoneme (CVC) words 2e. Create new words by orally manipulating phonemes in one-syllable words	RF.1.2 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes) 2a. Distinguish long from short vowel sounds in single-syllable words 2b. Orally produce single-syllable words by blending sounds (phonemes) including consonant blends 2c. Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds in spoken single syllable words 2d. Blend and segment individual sounds (phonemes) in spoken words	Addressed in K and 1	
Phonics and Word Recognition			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
RF.K.3 Know and apply grade level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Demonstrate one-to-one letter-sound correspondence by producing the primary sound for each consonant 3b. Associate the long and short sounds with common spellings for the 5 major vowels 3c. Read common high frequency words by sight (the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does) 3d. Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ	RF.1.3 Know and apply grade level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Know letter-sound correspondences for common consonant blends and digraphs 3b. Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words 3c. Know the final -e and common vowel team conventions for representing long vowel sounds 3d. Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel to determine how many syllables are in a word 3e. Decode two-syllable words by breaking words into syllables 3f. Read words with inflectional endings 3g. Read grade 1 high-frequency words by sight	RF.2.3 Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words 3b. Know spelling-sound correspondences for common vowel teams 3c. Decode regularly spelled two-syllable words 3d. Decode words with common prefixes and suffixes 3e. Identify words with inconsistent but common spelling-sound correspondences 3f. Read all common high-frequency words by sight	

Fluency		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
RF.K.4 Read and comprehend grade-level texts	RF.1.4 Read with fluency and accuracy to comprehend grade-level texts	RF.2.4 Read with fluency and accuracy to comprehend grade-level texts

Writing Standards (W) K-2		
Text Types and Purposes		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
W.K.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose pieces that state an opinion and a reason to support that opinion	W.1.1 Write opinion pieces that have an introduction, reasons to support the opinion, and some sense of closure	W.2.1 Write opinion pieces that have an introduction, state an opinion, and provide reasons to support the opinion; use linking words to connect reasons and opinion
W.K.2 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative texts that name a topic and supply information	W.1.2 Write informative/explanatory pieces that introduce the topic, supply facts, and provide closure	W.2.2 Write informative/explanatory texts which introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section
W.K.3 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate an event or events in a sequence	W.1.3 Write narratives which recount events in sequence, provide some detail, use transition words, and provide closure	W.2.3 Write narratives which recount events in sequence, provide detail and descriptions, use transition words, and provide closure
Production and Distribution of Writing		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
W.K.4 Begins in grade 3	W.1.4 Begins in grade 3	W.2.4 Begins in grade 3
W.K.5 Respond to questions and suggestions from peers to strengthen writing as needed	W.1.5 Respond to feedback; answer questions and add detail to strengthen writing	W.2.5 Strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing based on feedback from adults and peers
W.K.6 Explore digital tools to produce and publish writing	W.1.6 Collaborate with peers to use digital tools to produce and publish writing	W.2.6 Collaborate with peers to use digital tools to produce and publish writing
Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
W.K.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects	W.1.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects	W.2.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects
W.K.8 With support, recall information from experiences or gather from provided sources to answer a question	W.1.8 Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question	W.2.8 Recall or gather information from provided sources to answer a question
W.K.9 Begins in grade 4	W.1.9 Begins in grade 4	W.2.9 Begins in grade 4

Range of Writing		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
W.K.10 Begins in grade 3	W.1.10 Begins in grade 3	W.2.10 Begins in grade 3

Speaking and Listening Standards (SL) K-2

Comprehension and Collaboration			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
SL.K.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse peers and adults in a variety of settings 1a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussion 1b. Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges	SL.1.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse peers and adults in a variety of settings 1a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussion 1b. Advance discussion by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges 1c. Ask clarifying questions about topics and texts under discussion	SL.2.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse peers and adults in a variety of settings 1a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussion 1b. Build on others' talk in conversations by linking their comments to the remarks of others 1c. Ask clarifying questions about topics and texts under discussion	
SL.K.2 Ask and answer questions about key details to confirm understanding of a text	SL.1.2 Ask and answer questions about key details in a read-aloud or presentation	SL.2.2 Recount or describe key ideas or details from texts, media, or oral presentation	
SL.K.3 Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify	SL.1.3 Ask and answer questions in order to clarify what the speaker says and identify a speaker's point of view	SL.2.3 Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says; respectfully agree or disagree with the speaker's point of view, providing a reason(s)	
Presentation and Knowledge of Ideas			
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	
SL.K.4 Describe familiar people, places, things, and events with detail	SL.1.4 Describe people, places, things, and events and with relevant detail, expressing ideas and feelings clearly	SL.2.4 Tell a story or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences	
SL.K.5 Create and/or utilize visual displays to support descriptions	SL.1.5 Create and/or utilize visual displays to clarify ideas, thoughts, or feelings	SL.2.5 Include digital media and/or visual displays in presentations to clarify or support ideas, thoughts, and feelings	
SL.K.6 Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly	SL.1.6 Express thoughts, feelings and ideas clearly, using complete sentences	SL.2.6 Express thoughts, feelings and ideas clearly, using complete and detailed sentences	

Language Standards (L) K-2

Conventions of Standard English		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
L.K.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standards english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Print all upper and lowercase letters 1b. Use nouns and verbs 1c. Form regular plural nouns <i>orally</i> by adding /s/ or /es/ 1d. Understand and use question words 1e. Use common prepositions 1f. Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities	L.1.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standards english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Print all upper and lowercase letters using correct letter formation 1b. Use common, proper, and possessive nouns 1c. Use singular and plural nouns with matching verbs in basic sentences (e.g. he hops, we hop) 1d. Use personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns (e.g. I, me, my, they, them) 1e. Use past, present, and future tense verbs 1f. Use frequently occurring adjectives 1g.Use frequently occurring conjunctions 2h.Use determiners (e.g. articles, demonstratives) 1i. Use frequently occurring prepositions 1j. Respond to prompts using a variety of varied sentence types and structures	 L.2.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standard english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Use collective nouns (e.g., group) 1b. Form and use frequently occurring irregular plural nouns (e.g., feet, children, teeth) 1c. Use reflexive pronouns (e.g., myself, ourselves) 1d. Form and use the past tense of frequently occurring irregular verbs (e.g., sat, hid, told). 1e. Use adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified 1f. Produce, expand, and rearrange complete simple and compound sentences (e.g., The boy watched the movie; The little boy watched the movie; The action movie was watched by the little boy) 1g. Use cursive to write letters and words proficiently
L.K.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard english capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I 2b. Name and use end punctuation 2c. Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short vowel sounds (phonemes) 2d. Spell simple words phonetically	L.1.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard english capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Capitalize dates and names of people 2b. Use end punctuation for sentences 2c. Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series 2d. Spell grade 1 irregular words correctly, use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns 2e. Use spelling patterns and phonemic awareness to spell untaught words	 L.2.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Capitalize holidays, product names, and geographic names. 2b. Use commas in greetings and closings of letters. 2c. Use an apostrophe to form contractions and frequently occurring possessives 2d. Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words 2e. Consult reference materials as needed to check and correct spellings
Knowledge of Language		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2
L.K.3 Begins in grade 2	L.1.3 Begins in grade 2	L.2.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening
Vocabulary Aquisition and Use		
Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2

 L.K.4 Explore and use new vocabulary and multiple-meaning words and phrases 4a. Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g. knowing duck is a bird and learning the verb duck) 4b. Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.ged, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) 	L.1.4 Explore and use new vocabulary and multiple-meaning words and phrases 4a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning or phrase 4b. Use the most frequently affixes as a clue to the meaning of a word 4c. Identify frequently occurring root words (e.g. look) and their inflectional endings (e.g. looks, looked, looking) 4d. Use knowledge of the meaning of individual words to predict the meaning of compound words	 L.2.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known prefix is added to a known word 4c. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., addition, additional) 4d. Use knowledge of compound words in oral and written expression 4e. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the meaning of words and phrases
 L.K.5 Explore and discuss word relationships and meanings 5a. Sort common objects into categories to gain a sense of concepts the categories represent 5b. Demonstrate understanding of verbs and adjectives by relating them to their antonym 5c. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g. note places at school that are colorful) 5d. Explore variations among verbs that describe the same general action (e.g. walk, march, gallop) by acting out the meanings 	 L.1.5 Explore and discuss word relationships and meanings 5a. Sort common objects into categories to gain a sense of concepts the categories represent 5b. Define words by category and one or more ey attributes 5c. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g. note places at school that are colorful) 5d. Distinguish shades of meaning and differing intensity in verbs and adjectives by defining them or acting out the meanings 	 L.2.5 Explore and discuss word relationships and meanings 5a. Identify real life connections between words and their use 5b. Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs and adjectives 5c. Identify synonyms, antonyms, homophones, and homonyms
L.K.6 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts	L.1.6 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts	L.2.6 Use words and phrases acquired through responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g. when other kids are happy that makes me happy)

Reading Standards for Literature (RL) 3-5

Key Ideas and Details			
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RL.3.1 Use text evidence and support to ask and answer questions about a text	RL.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	RL.5.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	
RL.3.2 Retell stories and determine the main idea and how to is supported by key details	RL.4.2 Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text	RL.5.2 Determine a theme or central idea and explain how it is supported by key details and literary elements; summarize a text	
RL.3.3 Explain how character actions contribute to the sequence of events in a story	RL.4.3 Describe a character, setting, or event, drawing on specific details in the text	RL.5.3 Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text	
Craft and Structure			
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RL.3.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from figurative language	RL.4.4 Determine the meaning of words, phrases, figurative language, academic, and content-specific words	RL.5.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text to influence meaning, tone, or mood	
RL.3.5 Identify parts of stories, dramas, and poems using terms such as chapter, scene, and stanza	RL.4.5 Explain major differences in poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text	RL.5.5 Explain how a series of chapters, scenes, or stanzas fits together to provide the overall structure of a particular story, drama, or poem	
RL.3.6 Distinguish one's own point of view from those of the characters or narrator(s)	RL.4.6 Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third-person narrations	RL.5.6 Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences how events are described	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas			
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RL.3.7 Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story	RL.4.7 Make connections between the text and a visual or oral presentation of the text, identifying where each version reflects specific descriptions and directions in the text	RL.5.7 Analyze how visual and multimedia elements contribute to the meaning, tone, or beauty of a text	
RL.3.8 Not Applicable to Literature	RL.4.8 Not Applicable to Literature	RL.5.8 Not Applicable to Literature	
RL.3.9 Compare and contrast the themes, settings or plots of two or more texts	RL.4.9 Compare and contrast common themes and topics in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures	RL.5.9 Compare and contrast stories in the same genre on their approaches to similar themes and topics	

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
RL.3.10 Read with purpose and comprehend literature in the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently	RL.4.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of genres in the 4-5 text complexity band- scaffolding as needed	RL.5.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of genres in the 4-5 text complexity band independently and proficiently

Reading Standards for Informational Text (RI) 3-5

Key Ideas and Details	(ey Ideas and Details		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RI.3.1 Use text evidence and support to ask and answer questions about a text or topic	RI.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	RI.5.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	
RI.3.2 Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea	RI.4.2 Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text	RI.5.2 Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text	
RI.3.3 Describe the connections between ideas, concepts, or a series of events using temporal language and/or cause and effect	RI.4.3 Based on specific information in the text, explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in historical, scientific, or technical texts	RI.5.3 Explain the relationship between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts based on specific evidence from the text	
Craft and Structure			
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RI.3.4 Determine the meaning of words, phrases, figurative language, and academic and content-specific words	RI.4.4 Determine the meaning of academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text	RI.5.4 Determine the meaning of academic and content-specific words or phrases in a text	
RI.3.5 Use text features and digital search tools to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently	RI.4.5 Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text	RI.5.5 Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, etc) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or more texts	
RI.3.6 Distinguish one's own point of view from that of the author of a text	RI.4.6 Compare and contrast a primary and secondary source on the same event or topic	RI.5.6 Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas			
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	
RI.3.7 Use information gained from visual displays and words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text	RI.4.7 Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively; explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text	RI.5.7 Analyze how visual and multimedia elements contribute to meaning of informational texts	
RI.3.8 Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, sequence, etc)	RI.4.8 Explain how claims in a text are supported by relevant reasons and evidence	RI.5.8 Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support points in a text, linking reasons and evidence to specific point(s)	

RI.3.9 Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic	RI.4.9 Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably	RI.5.9 Synthesize information from several texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
RI.3.10 Read with purpose and comprehend informational texts in the 2-3 text complexity band, independently and proficiently	RI.4.10 Read with purpose and comprehend informational texts in the 4-5 text complexity band- with scaffolding as necessary	RI.5.10 Read with purpose and comprehend informational texts in the 4-5 text complexity band-independently and proficiently

Reading Standards for Foundational Skills (RF) 3-5

rint Concepts		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Addressed in K-1	Addressed in K-1	Addressed in K-1
Phonological Awareness		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Addressed in K-1	Addressed in K-1	Addressed in K-1
Phonics and Word Recognition		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
RF.3.3 Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Identify and know the meaning of most common prefixes and suffixes 3b. Decode words with common Latin suffixes 3c. Decode multisyllabic words 3d. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words	RF.4.3 Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Use knowledge of letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology to read unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context	RF.5.3 Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words 3a. Use knowledge of letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology to read unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context
Fluency		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
RF.3.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension 4a. Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding 4b. Read grade level texts aloud with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression 4c. Use context to confirm or self correct, rereading as necessary	RF.4.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension 4a. Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding 4b. Read grade level texts aloud with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression 4c. Use context to confirm or self correct, rereading as necessary	RF.5.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension 4a. Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding 4b. Read prose and poetry with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression 4c. Use context to confirm or self correct, rereading as necessary

Writing Standards (W) 3-5

Text Types and Purposes		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
 W.3.1 Write a opinion pieces with an argument to support a claim, using clear reasons and relevant evidence 1a. Introduce topic, state an opinion, and follow a clear organizational structure 1b. Provide reasons that support the opinion 1c. Use language to link/connect opinion and reasons 1d. Provide a conclusion 	 W.4.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts with a clear point of view and text evidence for support 1a. Introduce topic, state an opinion, and follow a clear organizational structure 1b. Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details 1c. Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, etc) 1d. Provide a conclusion related to the opinion presented 	 W.5.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts with a clear point of view and evidentiary support 1a. Provide a clear introduction, state an opinion, and create a structure in which ideas are logically grouped to support the writer's purpose 1b. Provide logically ordered reasons that are supported by facts and details 1c. Link opinions and reasons using words, phrases, and clauses (e.g.,consequently, specifically) 1d. Provide a conclusion related to the opinion presented
 W.3.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly 2a. Provide an introduction and organize ideas clearly 2b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details. 2c. Using language to link/connect ideas 2d. Provide a conclusion 	 W.4.2 Write informative/explanatory tests to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly 2a. Provide a clear introduction; group related information in paragraphs, using headings, illustrations, and multimedia when useful 2b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples 2c. Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g.,another, for example, also, etc) 2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic 2e. Provide a conclusion or section related to the information or explanation presented 	W.5.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly 2a. Provide a clear introduction; group related information in paragraphs, using headings, illustrations, and multimedia when useful 2b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic 2c. Link ideas within and across categories of information using words, phrases, and clauses (e.g. in contrast, especially) 2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic 2e. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented
W.3.3 Write narratives using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear sequence 3a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally 3b. Use dialogue and details to develop the story 3c. Use temporal words and phrases to signal event order 3d. Provide a conclusion	 W.4.3 Write narratives using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear sequence of events 3a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters 3b. Use dialogue and detailed descriptions to develop the story 3c. Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events 3d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely 3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events 	 W.5.3 Write narratives using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear sequence of events 3a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize event sequence that unfolds naturally 3b. Use narrative techniques (e.g. dialogue, description, pacing) to develop experiences and events or show how characters respond 3c. Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events 3d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely 3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events

Production and Distribution of Writing		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
W.3.4 Produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose	W.4.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.5.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience
W.3.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing	W.4.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing	W.5.5 Collaborate to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing
W.3.6 Use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others	W.4.6 Conduct research to answer questions, and to build knowledge through investigating multiple aspects of a topic	W.5.6 Use technology to produce and publish writing, to collaborate with others, and to demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of two pages in a single sitting
Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
W.3.7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic	W.4.7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic	W.5.7 Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic
W.3.8 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic	W.4.8 Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources <i>to serve as evidence;</i> take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources	W.5.8 Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources to serve as evidence;summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources
W.3.9 Begins in grade 4	W.4.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research 9a. Apply grade 4 reading standards to literature 9b. Apple grade 4 reading standards to informational texts	W.5.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research 9a. Apply grade 5 reading standards to literature 9b. Apple grade 5 reading standards to informational texts
Range of Writing		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
W.3.10 Write routinely for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences	W.4.10 Write routinely (both short-term and long-term) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences	W.5.10 Write routinely (both short-term and long-term) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences

Speaking and Listening Standards (SL) 3-5

Comprehension and Collaboration		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
SL.3.1 Participate and engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse peers and adults, expressing ideas clearly, and building on those of others 1a. Come to discussions prepared and knowledgeable on the topic 1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions 1c. ask questions to check for understanding 1d. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion	SL.4.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly 1a. Come to discussions prepared and knowledgeable on the topic; draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion 1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles 1c. Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others 1d. Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion	SL.5.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly 1a. Come to discussions prepared and knowledgeable on the topic; draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion 1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles 1c. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others 1d. Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions
SL.3.2 Determine the main ideas and supporting details from texts, media, or oral presentations	SL.4.2 Paraphrase portions of information presented in diverse formats (e.g., including visual, quantitative, and oral)	SL.5.2 Summarize information presented in diverse formats (e.g., including visual, quantitative, and oral)
SL.3.3 Ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail	SL.4.3 Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points	SL.5.3 Summarize the points a speaker makes and explain how each claim is supported by reasons and evidence
Presentation and Knowledge of Ideas		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
SL.3.4 Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace	SL.4.4 Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace	SL.5.4 Present information about a topic through clear communication using appropriate sequencing, details, and ideas
SL.3.5 Include digital media and/or visual displays in presentations to emphasize certain facts or details	SL.4.5 Add audio recordings and visual displays to presentations when appropriate to enhance the]development of main ideas or themes	SL.5.5 Include digital media and/or visual displays in presentations to emphasize and enhance central ideas or themes
SL.3.6 Identify contexts that call for academic English or informal discourse	SL.4.6 Distinguish between contexts that call for formal English versus informal discourse; use formal English when appropriate to task and situation	SL.5.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, using formal English when appropriate

Language Standards (L) 3-5

Conventions of Standard English		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
 L.3.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standard english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Explain the function of the basic parts of speech and their purpose in particular sentences 1b. Form and use regular and irregular pronouns 1c. Use abstract nouns (e.g., childhood) 1d. Form and use regular and irregular verbs 1e. Form and use the simple (e.g., I walked; I walk; I will walk) verb tenses. 1f. Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement. 1g. Use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs appropriately 1h. Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions. 1i. Produce simple, compound, and complex sentences 	L.4.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standard english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Use relative pronouns (who, whose, whom, which, that) and relative adverbs (where, when, why) 1b. Form and use the progressive (e.g., I was walking; I am walking; I will be walking) verb tenses 1c. Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must) to convey various conditions 1d. Order adjectives within sentences according to conventional patterns (e.g., a small red bag rather than a red small bag) 1e. Form and use prepositional phrases 1f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons 1g. Correctly use frequently confused words (e.g., to, too, two; there, their)	 L.5.1 Demonstrate command of conventions of standard english grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Explain the function of conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections 1b. Form and use the perfect tense (had walked, have walked) 1c. Use verb tense to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions 1d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense 1e. Use correlative conjunctions (e.g., either/or, neither/nor)
L.3.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles 2b. Use commas in addresses 2c. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue 2d. Form and use possessives 2e. Sse conventional spelling when adding suffixes to base words 2f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations in writing words 2g. Consult reference materials as needed to check and correct spellings	L.4.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Use correct capitalization 2b. Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a tex 2c. Use a comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence 2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed	L.5.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Use punctuation to separate items in a series 2b. Use a comma to separate an introductory element from the rest of the sentence 2c. Use a comma to set off the words yes and no, to set off a question, and to directly address someone 2d. Use underlining, quotation marks, or italics to indicate titles of works 2e. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed
Knowledge of Language		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
 L.3.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Choose words and phrases for effect 3b. Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written Standard English 	 L.4.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely 3b. Choose punctuation for effect 3c. Differentiate between contexts that call for formal english and situations where informal discourse is appropriate 	L.5.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style 3b. Compare and contrast the varieties of English (e.g., dialects, registers) used in stories, dramas, or poems

Vocabulary Aquisition and Use		
Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
L.3.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known prefix is added to a known word 4c. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., addition, additional) 4d. Use knowledge of compound words in oral and written expression 4e. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the meaning of words and phrases	L.4.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word 4c. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the pronunciation and meaning of key words and phrases	L.5.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use context (e.g., cause/effect) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word 4c. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the pronunciation and meaning of key words and phrases
L.3.5 Explore and discuss word relationships and meanings 5a. Identify real life connections between words and their use 5b. Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs and adjectives 5c. Identify synonyms, antonyms, homophones, and homonyms	 L.4.5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings 5a. Explain the meaning of simple simple similes and metaphors in context 5b. Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs 5c. Demonstrate understanding of words by relating them to synonyms, antonyms, homophones, and homonyms 	 L.5.5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings 5a. Interpret figurative language, including similes and metaphors, in context. 5b. Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs. 5c. Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonyms, antonyms,homographs) to better understand each of the words
L.3.6 Use words and phrases acquired through responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g. when other kids are happy that makes me happy)	L.4.6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain- specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., <i>quizzed, whined, stammered</i>) and that are basic to a particular topic	L.5.6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain- specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast, addition, and other logical relationships (e.g., however, although, nevertheless, similarly)

Reading Standards for Literature (RL) 6-8

Key Ideas and Details		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RL.6.1 Cite text evidence to support an analysis of what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences	RL.7.1 Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text	RL.8.1 Cite textual evidence to strongly support an analysis of what the text says explicitly/implicitly and make logical inferences
RL.6.2 Determine a theme or central idea and explain how it is supported by key details and literary elements; summarize a text	RL.7.2 Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text	RL.8.2 Determine one or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; summarize a text
RL.6.3 Describe how events unfold, as well as how characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution	RL.7.3 Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot)	RL.8.3 Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story or drama propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision
Craft and Structure		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RL.6.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone	RL.7.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, (includes figurative language and meaning in context); analyze the impact of rhyme and repetition on a specific verse or stanza of a poem, story, or drama	RL.8.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, (includes figurative language and meaning in context); analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, and mood including analogies or allusions to other text
RL.6.5 Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot	RL.7.5 Analyze how a drama's or poem's form or structure (e.g., soliloquy, sonnet) contributes to its meaning	RL.8.5 Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style
RL.6.6 Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text	RL.7.6 Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text	RL.8.6 Analyze how differences in the points of view of the characters and the audience or reader create such effects as suspense or humor
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RL.6.7 Compare and contrast how different formats, including print and digital media, contribute to the understanding of a subject	RL.7.7 Analyze the effects of both visual and written techniques to a story, drama, or poem (e.g. lighting, sound, color)	RL.8.7 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
RL.6.8 Not Applicable to Literature	RL.7.8 Not Applicable to Literature	RL.8.8 Not Applicable to Literature
RL.6.9 Compare and contrast the approaches to themes and topics in stories in different formats or genres	RL.7.9 Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period to understand how authors use or alter history	RL.8.9 Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works, including describing how the material is rendered new

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RL.6.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of genres and formats in the 6-8 text complexity band with scaffolds as necessary	RL.7.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of genres and formats in the 6-8 text complexity band with scaffolds as necessary	RL.8.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of genres and formats in the 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently

Reading Standards for Informational Text (RI) 6-8

Key Ideas and Details

Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RI.6.1 Cite text evidence to support an analysis of what the text says explicitly and when making inferences	RI.7.1 Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text	RI.8.1 Cite textual evidence to strongly support an analysis of what the text says explicitly/implicitly and make logical inferences
RI.6.2 Determine the central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments	RI.7.2 Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text	RI.8.2 Determine one or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; summarize a text
RI.6.3 Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text	RI.7.3 Analyze how individuals, events, and ideas are introduced, relate to each other, and are developed	RI.8.3 Analyze how individuals, events, and ideas are introduced, relate to each other, and are developed
Craft and Structure		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RI.6.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings	RI.7.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, (includes figurative language,technical terms, and meanings in context); analyze the impact of word choice on meaning and tone	RI.8.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, (includes figurative language,technical terms, and meanings in context); analyze the impact of word choice on meaning and tone
RI.6.5 Analyze how a sentence, paragraph, chapter, or section fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of ideas	RI.7.5 Analyze text structure, including how the major sections contribute to the understanding of the whole document and to the development of themes and ideas	RI.8.5 Analyze in detail the structure of a specific paragraph in a text, including the role of particular sentences in developing and refining a key concept
RI.6.6 Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text	RI.7.6 Analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others	RI.8.6 Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author acknowledges and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8

RI.6.7 Compare and contrast how different formats, including print and digital media, contribute to the understanding of a subject	RI.7.7 Compare and contrast how different formats, including print and digital media, portray an event or subject	RI.8.7 Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums (e.g., print or digital text, video, multimedia) to present a particular topic or idea
RI.6.8 Trace and evaluate a text's argument and claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not	RI.7.8 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	RI.8.8 Trace and evaluate an argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient and recognizing when irrelevant evidence is introduced
RI.6.9 Compare and contrast one author's presentation of events with that of another (e.g., a memoir written by and a biography on the same person)	RI.7.9 Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts	RI.8.9 Analyze two or more texts with conflicting information regarding the same topic and identify where the texts disagree on facts and interpretations
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
RI.6.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of nonfiction texts in the 6-8 text complexity band with scaffolds as necessary	RI.7.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of nonfiction texts in the 6-8 text complexity band with scaffolds as necessary	RI.8.10 Read with purpose and comprehend a variety of nonfiction texts in the 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently

Writing Standards (W) 6-8

Text Types and Purposes Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
W.6.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence 1a. Introduce claim(s) and organize the reasons and evidence clearly 1b. Using credible sources, support the claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence 1c. Use language to connect and clarify the relationship between claim and reason 1d. Establish and maintain a formal style 1e. Provide a conclusion	W.7.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence 1a. Introduce claim(s), acknowledge alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically 1b. Using credible sources, support the claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence 1c. Use language to connect and clarify the relationship between claim, reason, and evidence 1d. Establish and maintain a formal style 1e. Provide a conclusion that supports the presented argument	W.8.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence 1a. Introduce a precise claim, acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from a counterclaim, and organize the reasons and evidence logically. 1b. Using credible sources, support the claim(s) with clear reasons, relevant evidence, and strong understanding of the topic or text 1c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence 1d. Establish and maintain a formal style. 1e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented
W.6.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content	W.7.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content	W.8.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content

 2a. Introduce a topic clearly; organize ideas, concepts, and information using strategies (e.g. define, classify, compare/contrast, cause/effect) 2b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples 2c. Use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts 2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic 2e. Establish and maintain a formal style 2f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation presented 	 2a. Introduce a topic clearly, organize ideas, concepts, and information using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect 2b. include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension 2c. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples. 2d. Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts. 2e. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic. Establish and maintain a formal style 2f. Provide a logical concluding statement or section that supports the information or explanation presented 	 2a. Introduce a topic clearly and preview what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories. Include formatting, graphics, and media when useful 2b. Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples. 2c. Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts. 2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic. 2e. Establish and maintain a formal style. 2f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
 W.6.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective techniques, descriptive details and sequencing 3a. Engage the reader by introducing a narrator and/or characters 3b. Use narrative techniques (e.g. dialogue, description, pacing) to develop experiences, events, and characters 3c. Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another 3d. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to convey experiences and events 3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events 	w.7.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective techniques, descriptive details and well-structured event sequences 3a. Engage the reader by establishing context and introducing narrator/character(s) organize a natural and logical event sequence 3b. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters 3c. Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another 3d. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events 3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events	 W.8.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective techniques, descriptive details and well-structured event sequences 3a. Engage the reader by establishing context and introducing narrator/character(s); organize a natural and logical event sequence 3b. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters 3c. Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events 3d. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events 3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events
Production and Distribution of Writing		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
W.6.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.7.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	W.8.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience
W.6.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new	W.7.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new	W.8.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new

approach- focusing on addressing audience and purpose

W.7.6 Use technology to produce and publish writing, link to and cite sources, collaborate with others, and

demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills

approach

W.6.6 Use technology to produce and publish writing, to collaborate with others, and to demonstrate sufficient

command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of 3

approach- focusing on addressing audience and purpose

W.8.6 Use technology to produce and publish writing, link to and cite sources, collaborate with others, and

demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills

pages in a single sitting			
Research to Build and Present Knowledge			
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	
W.6.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate	W.7.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation	W.8.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration	
W.6.8 Assess the credibility of print and digital sources; quote and paraphrase the conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism by crediting sources	W.7.8 Assess the credibility of print and digital sources; quote and paraphrase the conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism by following a standard format for citation	W.8.8 Search effectively for relevant information. Assess the credibility of print and digital sources; quote and paraphrase the conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism by following a standard format for citation	
 W.6.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research 9a. Apply grade 6 reading standards to literature 9b. Apple grade 6 reading standards to informational texts 	W.7.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. 9a. Apply grade 7 reading standards to literature 9b. Apply grade 7 reading standards to informational texts	 W.8.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. 9a. Apply grade 8 reading standards to literature 9b. Apply grade 8 reading standards to informational texts 	
Range of Writing			
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	
W.6.10 Write routinely (both short-term and long-term) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences	W.7.10 Write routinely (both short-term and long-term) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences	W.8.10 Write routinely (both short-term and long-term) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences	

Speaking and Listening Standards (SL) 6-8

Comprehension and Collaboration		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
SL.6.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners; express ideas clearly and persuasively, and build on the ideas of others 1a.Come to discussions prepared and knowledgeable on the topic; draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion 1b. Follow rules for academic discussions; set specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed 1c. Pose and respond to specific questions with detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or	SL.7.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners; express ideas clearly and persuasively, and build on the ideas of others 1a. Come to discussions prepared and knowledgeable on the topic; draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion 1b. Follow rules for academic discussions; set and track measurable goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed 1c. Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on	SL.8.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners; express ideas clearly and persuasively, and build on the ideas of others 1a. Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion 1b. Follow rules for academic discussions; set and track measurable goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed 1c. Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and

issue under discussion 1d. Review the key ideas expressed and demonstrate understanding of multiple perspectives through reflection and paraphrasing	topic as needed. 1d. Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, modify their own views	ideas 1d. Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented
SL.6.2 Interpret information presented in diverse media formats and explain how it contributes to the topic or text under study	SL.7.2 Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.	SL.8.2 Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation
SL.6.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not	SL.7.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence	SL.8.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence and identifying when irrelevant evidence is introduced
Presentation and Knowledge of Ideas		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
SL.6.4 Present claims and findings, sequencing ideas	SL.7.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient	SL.8.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient

Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
SL.6.4 Present claims and findings, sequencing ideas logically and using relevant descriptions, facts and details to accentuate main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation	SL.7.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation	SL.8.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation
SL.6.5 Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, images, music, sound) and visual displays in presentations to clarify information	SL.7.5 Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points	SL.8.5 Integrate multimedia and visual displays in presentations to clarify information, strengthen claims and evidence, and add interest
SL.6.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate	SL.7.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate	SL.8.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when appropriate

Language Standards (L) 6-8

Conventions of Standard English		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
L.6.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Ensure pronouns are in the proper form (subjective, objective, possessive) 1b. Use intensive pronouns (e.g., myself, ourselves) 1c. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person 1d. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (i.e., ones	L.7.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a.Explain the function of phrases and clauses and their function in specific sentences 1b. Choose among simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas 1c. Place phrases and clauses within a sentence, recognizing and correcting misplaced and dangling	L.8.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking 1a. Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) and their function in particular sentences 1b. Form and use verbs in the active and passive voice. 1c. Form and use verbs in the indicative, imperative, interrogative, conditional, and subjunctive mood. 1d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood

with unclear or ambiguous antecedents) 1e. Recognize variations from Standard English in their own and others' writing and speaking, and identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language	modifier	
L.6.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Use punctuation (commas, parentheses, dashes) to set off nonrestrictive/parenthetical elements 2b. Spell correctly	L.7.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Use a comma to separate two adjectives 2b. Spell correctly	L.8.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing 2a. Use punctuation to indicate a pause or break 2b. Use an ellipsis to indicate an omission 2c. Spell correctly
Knowledge of Language		
Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
L.6.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Vary sentence patterns for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style 3b. Maintain consistency in style and tone	L.7.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy	L.8.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening 3a. Use verbs in the active and passive voice and in the conditional and subjunctive mood to achieve particular effects (e.g., emphasizing the actor or the action; expressing uncertainty or describing a state contrary to fact)
Vocabulary Aquisition and Use		
Vocabulary Aquisition and Use Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
	Crade 7 L.7.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word 4c. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the pronunciation, meaning, and part of speech of key words and phrases 4d. Verify the assumed definition of a word by using reference materials and/or in-text context clues	Grade 8 L.8.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, using an array of strategies 4a. Use context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase 4b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word 4c. Use digital and printed reference materials to determine the pronunciation, meaning, and part of speech of key words and phrases 4d. Verify the assumed definition of a word by using reference materials and/or in-text context clues

cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words 5c. Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., stingy, scrimping, economical, thrifty)	understand each of the words. 5c . Distinguish among the connotations of words with similar definitions (e.g., <i>refined</i> , <i>respectful</i> , <i>polite</i> , <i>diplomatic</i> , <i>condescending</i>)	understand each of the words. 5c . Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., bullheaded, willful, firm, persistent, resolute)
L.6.6 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	L.7.6 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	L.8.6 Accurately use grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; apply vocabulary knowledge when reading words or phrases important to comprehension or expression