Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Spelling Classroom

Paragraph Writing

Summary: Write a paragraph incorporating each word from the list.

North Dakota Academic Content Standards

Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.RF	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
BENCHMARK		Phonological Awareness
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.RF.2.	Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).
INDICATOR	1.RF.2.c.	lsolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in spoken single-syllable words.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.RF	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
BENCHMARK		Phonics and Word Recognition
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.RF.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
INDICATOR	1.RF.3.h.	Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.W	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.W.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including collaboration with peers.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.L.1.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	1.L.1.I.	Produce complete sentences in shared language activities.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.L.2.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Introduce:
INDICATOR	1.L.2.f.	Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g., cage $ ightarrow$ badge; boy $ ightarrow$ boil).
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.L.2.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	1.L.2.I.	Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.
INDICATOR	1.L.2.m.	Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.
INDICATOR	1.L.2.n.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words.
INDICATOR	1.L.2.o.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or

		using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.1.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	1.L.5.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
INDICATOR	1.L.5.c.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).

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Grade 2 - Adopted: 2017

BENCHMARKProduction, Distribution, and Range of WritingGRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION2.W.6.Use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish with peers.	
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	writing, including collaboration
CONTENT ND.2.L. Language Standards STANDARD	
BENCHMARK Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL 2.L.1. Within the context of authentic English writing and s EXPECTATION	speaking
INDICATOR Introduce:	
INDICATOR 2.L.1.a. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correct and run-ons.	cting inappropriate fragments
CONTENT ND.2.L. Language Standards STANDARD	
BENCHMARK Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION2.L.1.Within the context of authentic English writing and s	speaking
INDICATOR Demonstrate proficiency in:	
INDICATOR 2.L.1.u. Produce complete sentences in shared language acti	ivities.
CONTENT ND.2.L. Language Standards STANDARD	
BENCHMARK Conventions of Standard English	
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INDICATOR Practice:	
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INDICATOR2.L.2.o.Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., we spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful	ord families, position-based
CONTENT ND.2.L. Language Standards STANDARD	
BENCHMARK Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION2.L.2.Within the context of authentic English writing and s	speaking
INDICATOR Display proficiency in:	
INDICATOR2.L.2.s.Use conventional spelling for words with common sp frequently occurring irregular words.	elling patterns and for
INDICATOR 2.L.2.t. Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phone conventions.	emic awareness and spelling
CONTENT ND.2.L. Language Standards STANDARD	
BENCHMARK Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
GRADE LEVEL 2.L.5. Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and the standard standa	nd nuances in word meanings.

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2017

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CONTENT STANDARD	ND.3.RF.	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
BENCHMARK		Phonics and Word Recognition
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	3.RF.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
INDICATOR	3.RF.3.d.	Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.3.W	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	3.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
INDICATOR	3.W.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.3.W	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	3.W.6.	Use technology16, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing using keyboarding skills/digital tools as well as to interact and collaborate with others.Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3.
CONTENT	ND.3.L.	Language Standards
STANDARD BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL	3.L.1.	Conventions of Standard English Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
EXPECTATION	3.L.1.	
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	3.L.1.h.	Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments
		and run-ons.
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STANDARD	ND.3.L.	Language Standards
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STANDARD BENCHMARK GRADE LEVEL		Language Standards Conventions of Standard English
STANDARD BENCHMARK GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION		Language Standards Conventions of Standard English Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
STANDARD BENCHMARK GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION INDICATOR	3.L.2.	Language Standards Conventions of Standard English Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking Practice: Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	3.L.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
INDICATOR		ldentify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful).

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
INDICATOR	4.W.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
INDICATOR	4.W.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
INDICATOR	4.W.3.d.	Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing using keyboarding skills/digital tools as well as to interact and collaborate with others.Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.L.1.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	4.L.1.j.	Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.L.2.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	4.L.2.f.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts).
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.L.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
INDICATOR	4.L.3.a.	Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.4.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	4.L.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., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).

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Grade 5 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
INDICATOR	5.W.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, provide a general observation and focus, and group related information logically; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
INDICATOR	5.W.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
INDICATOR	5.W.3.d.	Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing using keyboarding skills/digital tools as well as to interact and collaborate with others.Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.L.1.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	5.L.1.a.	Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.L.2.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	5.L.2.c.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts).
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.5.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	5.L.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, moreover, in addition).

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.6.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION		Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
INDICATOR	6.W.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the

		topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.6.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	6.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
INDICATOR	6.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to convey experiences and events.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.6.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	6.W.6.	Use technology36, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.6.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	6.L.1.	Within the context of authentic English writing and speaking
INDICATOR		Demonstrate proficiency in:
INDICATOR	6.L.1.k.	Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.6.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	6.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	6.L.2.b.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
INDICATOR	7.W.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
INDICATOR	7.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing, link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.SL.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.SL.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing significant points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	7.L.2.b.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.7.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	7.L.6.	Acquire and accurately use grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
INDICATOR	8.W.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
INDICATOR	8.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish grade-level writing and present the relationships between information and ideas efficiently as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.SL.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.SL.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing significant 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.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	8.L.2.d.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.8.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	8.L.6.	Acquire and accurately use grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
INDICATOR	9- 10.W.2.e.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
INDICATOR	9- 10.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products. Use technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and effectively.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	9- 10.L.2.c.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.L.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the grade- appropriate level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION		Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
INDICATOR	9- 10.W.2.e.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION		Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
INDICATOR	9- 10.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.W.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products. Use technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and effectively.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Practice:
INDICATOR	9- 10.L.2.c.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts)
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.9- 10.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	9-10.L.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the grade- appropriate level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade **11** - Adopted: **2017**

CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content for a variety of purposes, audiences, and contexts.
INDICATOR	11- 12.W.2.e.	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences for a variety of purposes, audiences, and contexts.
INDICATOR	11- 12.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, including new arguments or information. Use technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and effectively.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Display proficiency in:
INDICATOR	11- 12.L.2.a.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts).
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.L.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the grade- appropriate level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2017

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CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content for a variety of purposes, audiences, and contexts.
INDICATOR	11- 12.W.2.e.	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences for a variety of purposes, audiences, and contexts.
INDICATOR	11- 12.W.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.W.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production, Distribution, and Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.W.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, including new arguments or information. Use technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and effectively.
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
INDICATOR		Display proficiency in:
INDICATOR	11- 12.L.2.a.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed and/or using spelling patterns and generalizations. (e.g., word families, position-based spelling, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts).
CONTENT STANDARD	ND.11- 12.L.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION	11- 12.L.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the grade- appropriate level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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