

Main Criteria: Spelling Classroom
Secondary Criteria: Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards
Subject: Language Arts
Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Spelling Classroom

Vocabulary Test

Summary: Select the correct definition for each word in this multiple choice environment.

Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL1.	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.
EXPECTATION	1.RL1.7.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.1.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL3.	Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.
EXPECTATION	1.RL3.5.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.1.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL4.	Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.
EXPECTATION	1.RL4.3.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy). (CCSS L.1.5c)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL5.	Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.
EXPECTATION	1.RL5.3.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.1.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.

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OBJECTIVE	1.RL7.	Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events.
EXPECTATION	1.RL7.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.1.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	1.RL9.	Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.
EXPECTATION	1.RL9.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.1.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	1.L1-j.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking – Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentence in response to prompts.
EXPECTATION	1.L1-j.4.	Use learned parts of speech to expand sentences orally and in writing.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	1.L5-a.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Sort words into categories (e.g., colors, clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.
EXPECTATION	1.L5-a.1.	Identify commonalities and underlining concepts among groups of words.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	1.L5-b.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes).
EXPECTATION	1.L5-b.1.	Discuss key attributes of words to identify a category.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	1.L5-d.	With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g., large, gigantic) by defining or choosing them or by acting out the meanings.
EXPECTATION	1.L5-d.3.	Use context clues to distinguish intensity (nuances) of meaning among synonyms.

Language Arts
Grade 2 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL1.	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, and how to demonstrate understanding in a text.
EXPECTATION	2.RL1.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. (CCSS L.2.3.)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL2.	Recount stories, including fables and folktales from diverse cultures, and determine their central message, lesson, or moral.
EXPECTATION	2.RL2.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. (CCSS L.2.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL3.	Describe how characters in a story respond to major events and challenges.
EXPECTATION	2.RL3.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.2.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL5.	Describe the overall structure of a story, including describing how the beginning introduces the story and the ending concludes the action.
EXPECTATION	2.RL5.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.2.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL7.	Use information gained from the illustrations and words in print or digital text to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot.
EXPECTATION	2.RL7.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.2.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	2.RL9.	Compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella

		stories) by different authors or from different cultures.
EXPECTATION	2.RL.9.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.2.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RF.	Standards for Reading Foundational Skills (RF)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Fluency
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	2.RF4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	2.RF4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
EXPECTATION	2.RF4.c.2	Demonstrate a conceptual understanding of new words, e.g., classify and categorize into groups, identify antonyms, synonyms, homophones.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
OBJECTIVE	2.W1-b.	Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply reasons that support the opinion, use linking words (e.g., because, and, also) to connect opinion and reasons, and provide a concluding statement or section – Supply reasons that support the opinion.
EXPECTATION	2.W1-b.3.	Draft a paragraph or multiple paragraphs to support an opinion: Use reflexive pronouns (e.g., myself, ourselves) (CCSS L.2.1c); Produce complete simple and compound sentences (See CCSS L.2.1f); Use knowledge of language conventions when writing (See CCSS .2.L3).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	2.W2-b.	Write informative/explanatory texts in which they introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section – Use facts and definitions to develop points.
EXPECTATION	2.W2-b.4.	Organize facts and definitions to write a paragraph or multiple paragraphs related to a topic: Produce complete simple and compound sentences (CCSS L.2.1f); Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing (See CCSS L.2.3).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	2.W3-b.	Write narratives in which they recount a well-elaborated event or short sequence of events, include details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide a sense of closure – Include details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings.
EXPECTATION	2.W3-b.2.	Include details that personalize the experience (thoughts, actions, and feelings) (See CCSS W.2.8): Produce complete simple and compound sentences (CCSS L.2.1f); Use adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified (CCSS L.2.1e); Form and use frequently occurring irregular plural nouns (CCSS L.2.1b); Use knowledge of language conventions when writing (CCSS L.2.3).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	2.L1-f.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage

		when writing or speaking – 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).
EXPECTATION	2.L1-f.4.	Strengthen writing by using learned parts of speech to expand sentences.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	2.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs (e.g., toss, throw, hurl) and closely related adjectives (e.g., thin, slender, skinny, scrawny).
EXPECTATION	2.L5-b.2.	Use context clues to distinguish intensity (nuances) of meaning among synonyms.

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	3.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.
EXPECTATION	3.RL4.5.	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful). (CCSS L.3.5b)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RF.	Standards for Reading Foundational Skills (RF)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Phonics and Word Recognition
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	3.RF3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
OBJECTIVE	3.RF3.c.	Decode multisyllable words.
EXPECTATION	3.RF3.c.3	Confirm decoding efforts through word meanings and word order.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	3.L1-a.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking – Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	3.L1-a.1.	Recognize and name parts of speech in text presented in a variety of formats.
EXPECTATION	3.L1-a.2.	Identify and explain the differences between parts of speech and their functions.
EXPECTATION	3.L1-a.3.	Demonstrate correct use of parts of speech in oral and written language.
EXPECTATION	3.L1-a.4.	Analyze writing models for correct use of parts of speech.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Knowledge of Language
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
OBJECTIVE	3.L3-b.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening – Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken

		and written standard English.
EXPECTATION	3.L3-b.2.	Demonstrate conventions of spoken and written English in conversations and writing.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	3.L5-c.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings – Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).
EXPECTATION	3.L5-c.1.	Access prior knowledge, as well as reference materials both print and digital to identify synonyms for given words.

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	4.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including those that allude to significant characters found in mythology (e.g., Herculean).
EXPECTATION	4.RL4.6.	Demonstrate understanding of words by relating them to their opposites (antonyms) and to words with similar but not identical meanings (synonyms). (CCSS L.4.5c)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	4.RI4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.
EXPECTATION	4.RI4.7.	Demonstrate understanding of words by relating them to their opposites (antonyms) and to words with similar but not identical meanings (synonyms). (CCSS L.4.5c)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Knowledge of Language
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
OBJECTIVE	4.L3-a.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening – Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.
EXPECTATION	4.L3-a.2.	Use dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses, and multimedia resources to identify and use synonyms for words.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	4.L5-c.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Demonstrate understanding of words by relating them to their opposites (antonyms) and to words with similar but not identical meanings (synonyms).
EXPECTATION	4.L5-c.1.	Consult reference materials including dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses, and

		online resources to identify words with similar or opposite meanings.
EXPECTATION	4.L5-c.2.	Use knowledge of nuances to determine precise words as needed for speaking and writing.

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Grade 5 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	5.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative language such as metaphors and similes.
EXPECTATION	5.RL4.6.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, homographs) to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.5.5c.)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	5.RI4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area.
EXPECTATION	5.RI4.7.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, homographs) to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.5.5c)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	5.RI6.	Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent.
EXPECTATION	5.RI6.4.	Apply knowledge of standard English when writing about or discussing informational texts (See CCSS L.5.1-2.).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Knowledge of Language
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
OBJECTIVE	5.L3-a.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening – Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.
EXPECTATION	5.L3-a.1.	Demonstrate command of conventions of standard English grammar and usage (See CCSS L.5.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	5.L5-c.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, homographs) to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	5.L5-c.1.	Consult reference materials including dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses, and online resources to identify the relationship between words.

EXPECTATION	5.L5-c.2.	Use knowledge of nuances to determine precise words as needed for speaking and writing.
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Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	6.RL1.	Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	6.RL1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding e.g., antonyms, synonyms, related words with similar word parts (See CCSS L.6.5b).
EXPECTATION	6.RL1.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	6.RL2.	Determine a theme or 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.
EXPECTATION	6.RL2.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	6.RL3.	Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.
EXPECTATION	6.RL3.7.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS 6 L1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	6.RL7.	Compare and contrast the experience of reading a story, drama, or poem to listening to or viewing an audio, video, or live version of the text, including contrasting what they "see" and "hear" when reading the text or what they perceive when they listen or watch.
EXPECTATION	6.RL7.8.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	6.RL9.	Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres (e.g., stories and poems, historical novels and fantasy stories) in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics.

EXPECTATION	6.RL9.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	6.RI1.	Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	6.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.6.5b).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	6.RI3.	Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).
EXPECTATION	6.RI3.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	6.RI4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings.
EXPECTATION	6.RI4.6.	Verify an inferred meaning of a word or phrase in reference materials (See CCSS L.6.4c).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	6.W2-c.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content – Use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	6.W2-c.1.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.6.5b)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
OBJECTIVE	6.SL1-c.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 6 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly – Pose and respond to specific questions with elaboration and detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or issue under discussion.
EXPECTATION	6.SL1-c.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
OBJECTIVE	6.SL4.	Present claims and findings, sequencing ideas logically and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and details to accentuate main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
EXPECTATION	6.SL4.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.6.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	6.L1-e.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking – Recognize variations from standard English in their own and others' writing and speaking, and identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language.
EXPECTATION	6.L1-e.1.	Apply skills from L1.a-d to analyze the effect on meaning in professional writing, the writing of peers, and their own writing: Revise to develop and strengthen writing (See CCSS W.6.5); Edit for clarity to develop and strengthen writing (See CCSS W.6.5).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
OBJECTIVE	6.L4-d.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies – Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
EXPECTATION	6.L4-d.1.	Apply an understanding of the skills in L4 a-c to verify word meaning.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	6.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	6.L5-b.1.	Apply an understanding of connections between words including cause/effect, part/whole, and item/category to a critical reading of a text.
EXPECTATION	6.L5-b.2.	Analyze professional, peer, and their own writing to determine how word relationships contribute to meaning.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	7.RL1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	7.RL1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding e.g., antonyms, synonyms, related words with similar word parts (See CCSS L.7.5b).
EXPECTATION	7.RL1.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	7.RL2.	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.
EXPECTATION	7.RL2.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	7.RL3.	Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
EXPECTATION	7.RL3.7.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	7.RL7.	Compare and contrast a written drama, story, or poem to its audio, filmed, staged, or multimedia version, analyzing the effects of techniques unique to each medium (e.g., lighting, sound, color, or camera focus and angles in a film).
EXPECTATION	7.RL7.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	7.RL9.	Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period as a means of understanding how authors of fiction use or alter history.
EXPECTATION	7.RL9.8.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	7.RI1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	7.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.7.5b).
EXPECTATION	7.RI1.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

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OBJECTIVE	7.RI2.	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.
EXPECTATION	7.RI2.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	7.RI3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).
EXPECTATION	7.RI3.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	7.W2-c.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content – Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	7.W2-c.2.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.7.5b)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
OBJECTIVE	7.SL1-c.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly – Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	7.SL1-c.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
OBJECTIVE	7.SL4.	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.
EXPECTATION	7.SL4.3.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.7.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
OBJECTIVE	7.L4-d.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies – Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

EXPECTATION	7.L4-d.1.	Apply an understanding of the skills in L4 a-c to verify word meaning.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	7.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	7.L5-b.1.	Apply an understanding of connections between words including synonym/antonym and analogy to a critical reading of a text.
EXPECTATION	7.L5-b.2.	Analyze professional, peer, and their own writing to determine how word relationships contribute to meaning.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	8.RL1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	8.RL1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding e.g., antonyms, synonyms, related words with similar word parts (See CCSS L.8.5b).
EXPECTATION	8.RL1.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	8.RL2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	8.RL2.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	8.RL3.	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.
EXPECTATION	8.RL3.7.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	8.RL7.	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.
EXPECTATION	8.RL7.7.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	8.RL9.	Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new.
EXPECTATION	8.RL9.8.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	8.RI1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	8.RI1.6.	Use relationships between words for understanding (See CCSS L.8.5b).
EXPECTATION	8.RI1.9.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	8.RI2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	8.RI2.6.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text. the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.
OBJECTIVE	8.RI3.	Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).
EXPECTATION	8.RI3.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	8.W2-c.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content – Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	8.W2-c.2.	Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words. (CCSS L.8.5b)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
OBJECTIVE	8.SL1-c.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly – Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
EXPECTATION	8.SL1-c.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.SL.	Standards for Speaking and Listening (SL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
OBJECTIVE	8.SL4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volumes, and clear pronunciation.
EXPECTATION	8.SL4.4.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS L.8.1)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
OBJECTIVE	8.L5-b.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings – Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.
EXPECTATION	8.L5-b.2.	Analyze professional, peer, and their own writing to determine how word relationships contribute to meaning.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL1.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See 9-10 CCSS L.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL2.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL3.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL4.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL5.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL6.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL6.	Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL6.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL7.	Analyze the representation of a subject or key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each treatment (e.g., Auden's "Musée des Beaux Arts" and Breughel's Landscape with the Fall of Icarus).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL7.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL9.	Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL9.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL10.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI2.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI3.	Analyze how an author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI3.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including

		figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI4.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI5.	Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI5.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI6.	Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how an author uses rhetoric to advance the point of view or purpose.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI6.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI7.	Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI7.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI8.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI8.	Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false statements and fallacious reasoning.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI8.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI9.	Analyze seminal U. S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI9.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI10.CC R.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI10.4	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W1-c.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence – Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W1-c.4.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.9-10.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W2-c.	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 – Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W2-c.2.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W3-c.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences – Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W3-c.3.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.3)

Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

Language Arts

Grade 10 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL1.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See 9-10 CCSS L.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL2.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL3.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL4.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL5.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL6.	Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL6.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL7.	Analyze the representation of a subject or key scene in two different artistic mediums, including what is emphasized or absent in each treatment (e.g., Auden’s “Musée des Beaux Arts” and Breughel’s Landscape with the Fall of Icarus).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL7.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL9.	Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL9.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL10.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RL10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RL10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI2.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI3.	Analyze how an author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI3.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI4.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI5.	Analyze in detail how an author's ideas or claims are developed and refined by particular sentences, paragraphs, or larger portions of a text (e.g., a section or chapter).
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI5.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI6.	Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how an author uses rhetoric to advance the point of view or purpose.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI6.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI7.	Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI7.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI8.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI8.	Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is valid and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; identify false

		statements and fallacious reasoning.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI8.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI9.	Analyze seminal U. S. documents of historical and literary significance (e.g., Washington's Farewell Address, the Gettysburg Address, Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech, King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail"), including how they address related themes and concepts.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI9.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI10.CC R.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.RI10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	9-10.RI10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W1-c.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence – Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W1-c.4.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.9-10.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W2-c.	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 – Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W2-c.2.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	9-10.W3-	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective

	c.	technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences – Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	9-10.W3-c.3.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate usage to address audience, task, and purpose. (CCSS L.9-10.1, L.3)

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2014

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL2.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL3.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.)
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL4.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza)

LEVEL		relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL5.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL6.	Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL6.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL7.	Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and one play by an American dramatist.)
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL7.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL9.	Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth-, and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL9.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL10.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.

OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.2.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.3.	Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.3.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text. (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.4.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.5.	Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.5.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI.6.	Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI.6.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI7.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI8.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI8.	Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI8.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI9.	Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (including the Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address) for their themes, purposes, and rhetorical features.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI9.7.	Use knowledge of language and conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI10.CC R.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W1-c.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence – Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	11-12.W1-c.5.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1a, L.11-12.1b, L.11-12.3)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W2-c.	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 – Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	11-12.W2-c.3.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1.a, L.11-12.1b, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W3-c.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences – Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	11-12.W3-c.5.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1.a, L.1b, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.L1-a.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking – Apply the understanding that usage is a matter of convention, can change over time, and is sometimes contested.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.1.	Analyze and explain the historical circumstances and reasons for changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.2.	Compare and contrast changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.3.	Examine historical circumstances and underlying reasons for changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.4.	Apply language usage to writing and speaking as appropriate for audience and purpose.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Knowledge of Language
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.L3-a.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening – Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte’s Artful Sentences) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L3-a.5.	Use grammar concepts and skills to strengthen control of oral and written language.

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Language Arts

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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL1.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL2.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL2.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL3.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL3.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL4.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as other authors.)
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL4.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL5.CCR .	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well as its aesthetic impact.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL5.5.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL6.	Analyze a case in which grasping point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL6.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL7.	Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and one play by an American dramatist.)
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL7.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL9.	Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth-, and early-twentieth-century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL9.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RL.	Standards for Reading Literature (RL)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL10.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RL10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RL10.4.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.9-10.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI1.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI2.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI3.	Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI3.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI4.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text. (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI4.7.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI5.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI5.	Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI5.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI6.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI6.	Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the power, persuasiveness, or beauty of the text.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI6.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI7.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a

		question or solve a problem.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI7.8.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI8.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI8.	Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI8.6.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI9.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI9.	Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational U.S. documents of historical and literary significance (including the Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address) for their themes, purposes, and rhetorical features.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI9.7.	Use knowledge of language and conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.RI.	Standards for Reading Informational Text (RI)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI10.CC R.	Anchor Standard: Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.RI10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
EXPECTATION	11-12.RI10.4	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when speaking and writing (See CCSS L.11-12.1).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W1-c.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence – Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	11-12.W1-c.5.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1a, L.11-12.1b, L.11-12.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W2.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W2-c.	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 – Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	11-12.W2-c.3.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1.a, L.11-12.1b, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.W.	Standards for Writing (W)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.W3-c.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences – Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	11-12.W3-c.5.	Demonstrate understanding and application of appropriate and complex usage. (CCSS L.11-12.1.a, L.1b, L.3)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Conventions of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L1.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.L1-a.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking – Apply the understanding that usage is a matter of convention, can change over time, and is sometimes contested.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.1.	Analyze and explain the historical circumstances and reasons for changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.2.	Compare and contrast changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.3.	Examine historical circumstances and underlying reasons for changes in usage over time.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L1-a.4.	Apply language usage to writing and speaking as appropriate for audience and purpose.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	MD.L.	Standards for Language (L)
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Knowledge of Language
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L3.CCR.	Anchor Standard: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
OBJECTIVE	11-12.L3-a.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening – Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte’s Artful Sentences) for guidance as needed; apply an understanding of syntax to the study of complex texts when reading.
EXPECTATION	11-12.L3-a.5.	Use grammar concepts and skills to strengthen control of oral and written language.