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

Spelling Classroom

Word Ladder

Summary: Sequence of words built upon the previous and advance down the ladder with each correct answer.

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Language Arts

Grade 1 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.1.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the K-1 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.1.6.	Use words and phrases learned through conversations, reading, and being read to, including common conjunctions.

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Grade 2 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 2-3 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.2.6.	Use words and phrases learned through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe.

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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
/ STRAND		

STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 2-3 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA /STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships.

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.4.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 4-5 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.4.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being and that are basic to a particular topic.

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Grade 5 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.5.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 4-5 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA /STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.5.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast, addition, and other logical relationships.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.6.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 6-8 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.6.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; develop vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 6-8 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; develop vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.8.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 6-8 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college

STANDARD	and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; develop vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 9-12 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 9-12 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD		Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.

ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.11- 12.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 9-12 conventions continuum.
CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD	L.6.	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	L.11- 12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in developing vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2017

CONTENT AREA / STRAND	NC.L.	LANGUAGE
STRAND / ESSENTIAL STANDARD		Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the appropriate grade band conventions continuum.
ESSENTIAL STANDARD / CLARIFYING OBJECTIVE	12.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing; demonstrate proficiency within the 9-12 conventions continuum.

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