

Main Criteria: National Theatre for Children

Secondary Criteria: South Carolina Standards & Learning, Common Core State Standards

Subject: Language Arts

Grades: 3, 4, 5

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Common Core State Standards

Language Arts

Grade 3 - Adopted: 2010

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3.1	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3.2	Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3.3	Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3.5	Refer to parts of stories, dramas, and poems when writing or speaking about a text, using terms such as chapter, scene, and stanza; describe how each successive part builds on earlier sections.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.3.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3.1	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3.2	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL	Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or

	A-Literacy.R I.3.3	concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3.7	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.3.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R F.3	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Fluency
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R F.3.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R F.3.4a	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R F.3.4c	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.3	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.3.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.3.1a	Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.3.1b	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.3.1c	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.3.1d	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.3	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.3.2	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3.4a	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3.5	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3.5a	Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.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 (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2010

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R L.4	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL	Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly

	A-Literacy.R L.4.1	and when drawing inferences from the text.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.4.3	Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.4	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.4.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, in the grades 4-5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.1	Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.2	Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.3	Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.7	Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.8	Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R I.4.10	By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 4-5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.4	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Fluency
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.4.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.4.4a	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.4.4c	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.4	Writing Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.4.9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.4.9a	Apply grade 4 reading standards to literature (e.g., "Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions].").
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.4.9b	Apply grade 4 reading standards to informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text").
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4.1a	Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4.1b	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4.1c	Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.4.2	Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.4	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.S L.4.6	Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion); use formal English when appropriate to task and situation. (See grade 4 Language standards 1 on page 28 for specific expectations.)
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Knowledge of Language
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4.3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4.3c	Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4.4a	Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.L .4.6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).

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Grade 5 - Adopted: 2010

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.5	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.5.2	Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters in a story or drama respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a topic; summarize the text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-Literacy.R L.5	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R L.5.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 4-5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5.2	Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5.3	Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5.8	Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point(s).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R I.5.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 4-5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.5	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Fluency
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.5.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.5.4a	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.R F.5.4c	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A-	Writing Standards

	Literacy. W.5	
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.5.9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.5.9a	Apply grade 5 reading standards to literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or a drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., how characters interact]").
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy. W.5.9b	Apply grade 5 reading standards to informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point[s]").
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 5 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5.1a	Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5.1b	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5.1c	Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.S L.5.2	Summarize a written text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .5	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .5.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 5 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .5.4 a	Use context (e.g., cause/effect relationships and comparisons in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .5	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

STANDARD	CCSS.EL A- Literacy.L .5.6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast, addition, and other logical relationships (e.g., however, although, nevertheless, similarly, moreover, in addition).
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South Carolina Standards & Learning
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Grade 3 - Adopted: 2015

STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.I.	Inquiry-Based Literacy Standards (I)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.I.5.	Reflect throughout the inquiry process to assess metacognition, broaden understanding, and guide actions, both individually and collaboratively.
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.I.5.1.	Acknowledge and value individual and collective thinking.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RL.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RL.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.P.4. 1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.P.4. 3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RL.MC. 5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.MC. 5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RL.MC. 8.	Analyze characters, settings, events, and ideas as they develop and interact within a particular context.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.MC. 8.1.	Use text evidence to:
INDICATOR	3.RL.MC. 8.1.a.	Describe characters' traits, motivations, and feelings and explain how their actions contribute to the development of the plot.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RL.LCS	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RL.LCS .10.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.LCS .10.1.	Use paragraph-level context to determine the meaning of words and phrases.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.LCS .10.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.LCS .10.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.LCS .10.6.	Acquire and use general academic and domain-specific words and phrases that signal spatial and temporal relationships; demonstrate an understanding of nuances.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RL.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RL.RC. 13.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.RC. 13.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RL.RC. 13.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RI.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RI.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.P.4. 1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.P.4. 3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RI.MC. 5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.MC. 5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RI.MC. 6.	Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of central ideas.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.MC. 6.1.	Summarize multi-paragraph texts using key details to support the central idea.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)

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KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RI.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RI.LCS.9.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.LCS.9.1.	Use paragraph-level context to determine the meaning of words and phrases.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.LCS.9.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.LCS.9.5.	Acquire and use general academic and domain-specific words and phrases that signal spatial and temporal relationships; demonstrate an understanding of nuances.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.RI.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.RI.RC.12.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.RC.12.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.RI.RC.12.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.3.C.	Communication (C)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	3.C.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	3.C.MC.1.	Interact with others to explore ideas and concepts, communicate meaning, and develop logical interpretations through collaborative conversations; build upon the ideas of others to clearly express one's own views while respecting diverse perspectives.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.C.MC.1.1.	Explore and create meaning through conversation and interaction with peers and adults.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.C.MC.1.2.	Participate in discussions; ask questions to acquire information concerning a topic, text, or issue.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.C.MC.1.4.	Engage in focused conversations about grade appropriate topics and texts; build on ideas of others to clarify thinking and express new thoughts.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	3.C.MC.1.5.	Explain personal ideas and build on the ideas of others by responding and relating to comments made in multiple exchanges.

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Grade 4 - Adopted: 2015

STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.I.	Inquiry-Based Literacy Standards (I)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.I.5.	Reflect throughout the inquiry process to assess metacognition, broaden understanding, and guide actions, both individually and collaboratively.
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.I.5.1.	Acknowledge and value individual and collective thinking.

STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RL.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RL.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.P.4.1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.P.4.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.P.4.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RL.MC.5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.MC.5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RL.MC.6.	Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of thematic development.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.MC.6.1.	Determine the development of a theme within a text; summarize using key details.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RL.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RL.LCS.10.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.LCS.10.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.LCS.10.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.LCS.10.5.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.LCS.10.6.	Acquire and use general academic and domain-specific words or phrases that signal precise actions, emotions, and states of being; demonstrate an understanding of nuances and jargon.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS /	4.RL.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)

ESSENTIAL QUESTION		
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RL.RC.13.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.RC.13.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RL.RC.13.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RI.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RI.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.P.4.1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.P.4.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.P.4.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RI.MC.5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.MC.5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RI.MC.6.	Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of central ideas.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.MC.6.1.	Summarize multi-paragraph texts using key details to support the central idea.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RI.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RI.LCS.9.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.LCS.9.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.LCS.9.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.LCS.9.5.	Acquire and use general academic and domain-specific words or phrases that signal precise actions, emotions, and states of being; demonstrate an understanding of nuances and jargon.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.RI.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.RI.RC.12.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.RC.12.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.RI.RC.12.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.4.C.	Communication (C)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	4.C.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	4.C.MC.1.	Interact with others to explore ideas and concepts, communicate meaning, and develop logical interpretations through collaborative conversations; build upon the ideas of others to clearly express one's own views while respecting diverse perspectives.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.C.MC.1.1.	Explore and create meaning by formulating questions, engaging in purposeful dialogue with peers and adults, sharing ideas and considering alternate viewpoints.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.C.MC.1.2.	Participate in discussions; ask and respond to questions to acquire information concerning a topic, text, or issue.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.C.MC.1.4.	Engage in focused conversations about grade appropriate topics and texts; build on the ideas of others, pose specific questions, respond to clarify thinking, and express new thoughts.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	4.C.MC.1.5.	Explain personal ideas and build on the ideas of others by responding and relating to comments made in multiple exchanges.

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STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.I.	Inquiry-Based Literacy Standards (I)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.I.5.	Reflect throughout the inquiry process to assess metacognition, broaden understanding, and guide actions, both individually and collaboratively.
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.I.5.1.	Acknowledge and value individual and collective thinking.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.P.4.1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL	5.RL.P.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

EXAMPLE / STAGE	2.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.P.4.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.MC.5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.MC.5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.MC.6.	Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of thematic development.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.MC.6.1.	Determine and analyze the development of a theme within a text; summarize using key details.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.LCS.9.	Interpret and analyze the author's use of words, phrases, and conventions, and how their relationships shape meaning and tone in print and multimedia texts.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.9.2.	Analyze and cite examples of how the author's choice of words and conventions combine to create mood, shape meaning, and emphasize aspects of a character or setting.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.LCS.10.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.10.1.	Use cause and effect relationships and comparisons to determine the meaning of words or phrases.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.10.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.10.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.10.5.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.LCS.10.6.	Acquire and use general academic and domain-specific words or phrases that signal contrast, addition, and logical relationships; demonstrate an understanding of nuances and jargon.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RL.	Reading – Literary Text (RL)

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RL.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RL.RC.13.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.RC.13.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RL.RC.13.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RI.P.	Principles of Reading (P)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RI.P.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.P.4.1.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.P.4.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.P.4.3.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RI.MC.5.	Determine meaning and develop logical interpretations by making predictions, inferring, drawing conclusions, analyzing, synthesizing, providing evidence, and investigating multiple interpretations.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.MC.5.2.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RI.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RI.MC.6.	Summarize key details and ideas to support analysis of central ideas.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.MC.6.1.	Summarize a text with two or more central ideas; cite key supporting details.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RI.LCS.	Language, Craft, and Structure (LCS)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RI.LCS.9.	Apply a range of strategies to determine and deepen the meaning of known, unknown, and multiple-meaning words, phrases, and jargon; acquire and use general academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.LCS.9.1.	Use the overall meaning of a text or word’s position or function to determine the meaning of a word or phrase.
GRADE LEVEL	5.RI.LCS.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.

EXAMPLE / STAGE	9.3.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.LCS.9.4.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.LCS.9.5.	Students are expected to build upon and continue applying previous learning.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.RI.	Reading – Informational Text (RI)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.RI.RC.	Range and Complexity (RC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.RI.RC.12.	Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect and respond to increasingly complex text over time.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.RC.12.1.	Engage in whole and small group reading with purpose and understanding.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.RI.RC.12.3.	Read and respond according to task and purpose to become self-directed, critical readers and thinkers.
STANDARD / COURSE	SC.5.C.	Communication (C)
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS / ESSENTIAL QUESTION	5.C.MC.	Meaning and Context (MC)
PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR / STANDARD	5.C.MC.1.	Interact with others to explore ideas and concepts, communicate meaning, and develop logical interpretations through collaborative conversations; build upon the ideas of others to clearly express one's own views while respecting diverse perspectives.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.C.MC.1.1.	Consider viewpoints of others by listening, reflecting, and formulating questions before articulating personal contributions.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.C.MC.1.2.	Participate in discussions; ask and respond to probing questions to acquire and confirm information concerning a topic, text, or issue.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.C.MC.1.4.	Engage in focused conversations about grade appropriate topics and texts; build on the ideas of others, pose specific questions, respond to clarify thinking, and express new thoughts.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE / STAGE	5.C.MC.1.5.	Explain personal ideas while building on the ideas of others to demonstrate understanding of diverse perspectives.