

Reading Literature				
TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard		
RL.5.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text. Tested Standard	RL.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	RL.6.1 Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.		
 The student can Identify details and examples in text Use the author's name or expressions like, the author states, or in the author's opinion when quoting from the text Cite specific examples and details to support inferences When referring to the text, cite what the author said that lead to that conclusion 				
 Sample Questions What inferences can you make? What information would you need to su Can you give specific examples from the Can you show me where in the text the What can you conclude from this passage 	e text that support your thinking? author says that?			

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RL.5.2	RL.4.2	RL.6.2
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. Tested Standard	Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	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.
The student can		



- Identify universal themes in stories, dramas, or poems
- Identify the topics in the writing
- Locate details that support the theme
- Understand that characters respond to challenges in different ways, such as internally or externally
- Understand that reflection is an inner process
- Summarize the text

Question Stems

What is the theme of the story?

- Which of the following statements best reflects the theme of the story?
- What conflicts did you see and how were they resolved?
- How did the characters solve the conflict?
- Summarize the text in your own words?
- What was the main conflict?

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RL.5.3	RL.4.3	RL.6.3
settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact).	event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's	Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.

The student can...

- Identify the characters, setting and major events of a story
- Compare and contrast characters, setting and events in a story or drama



- Provide specific details when describing the interactions between characters
- Provide specific details when comparing or contrasting settings or events

Question Stem

- What can you tell me about these characters?
- In what ways do the characters think alike/differently?
- How does this contrast affect the outcome?
- In what way do different settings in the story affect the outcome?
- Which details does the author provide to show us how the characters act with each other?
- What attitude did the characters display?
- What do_____ and _____ have in common?
- How does the dialogue help you understand the characters and their actions?

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RL.5.4	RL.4.4	RL.6.4
Determine the meaning of words and phrases	Determine the meaning of words and	Determine the meaning of words and phrases
as they are used in a text, including figurative	phrases as they are used in a text, including	as they are used in a text, including figurative
language such as metaphors and similes.	those that allude to significant characters	and connotative meanings; analyze the impact
Tested Standard	found in mythology (e.g., Herculean).	of specific word choices on meaning and tone

The student can...

- Use context clues to help determine the meaning of unknown words or phrases in text
- Use definitions, examples, or restatements to help figure out the meaning of unknown words or phrases in text
- Understand that words and phrases have often have literal and figurative meanings
- Know that similes and metaphors are words used to compare two objects
- Use glossary, footnotes, or digital sources to determine the meaning of an unknown word or phrase



Question Stem			
 What does the word mean in this sentence? Are there any clues around the word that can help you determine its meaning? Locate a simile/metaphor – what does the author compare? What strategies can you use to help you find the meaning of the word? What in the story is a symbol of? 			
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- Understand that stories, poems and dramas have different organizational elements
- Follow the message of the story, poem, or drama across chapters, stanzas, or scenes
- Understand that dramas have scenes, cast of characters, setting, and narrator
- Understand that stories have beginnings, conflicts/problems and conclusions
- Know that often poems have stanzas or verses that provide additional details for the reader

Question Stem



- How is this text organized?
- This selection can best be described as a _____.
- Can you the difference between a chapter in a book and a scene in a play?
- How many stanzas or verses does this poem have?
- How would this change if we took out the _____ stanza/chapter/scene?
- What is the key event/idea in this chapter/stanza?
- Why do you think the author wrote this as a _____ instead of as a _____?

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RL.5.6	RL.4.6	RL.6.6
Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of	Compare and contrast the point of view from	Explain how an author develops the point of view
view influences how events are described.	which different stories are narrated, including	of the narrator or speaker in a text.
Tested Standard	the difference between first- and third-person	
	narrations.	

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Identify the person who is telling the story
- Know that the way a person tells a story is influenced by their role and the outcomes of the story
- Understand how the narrator's point of view influences the description of events

- Who is telling these events?
- Is the narrator part of the story? Is this story being told in first-person?
- What is the narrator's perspective? Are they in the story or is the story being told by an outside observer?
- How does the narrator's point of view influence how the events are described?
- Why do you think the narrator described the events the way he/she did?
- How would the story be different if another character was telling the story?



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RL.5.7	RI.4.7	RI.6.7	
Analyze how visual and multimedia elements contribute to the meaning, tone, or beauty of a text (e.g., graphic novel, multimedia presentation of fiction, folktale, myth, poem). Tested Standard	Make connections between the text of a story or drama and a visual or oral presentation of the text, identifying where each version reflects specific descriptions and directions in the text.	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 to what they perceive when they listen or watch.	
 Learning Target/Evidence Statements Know that when creating a multimedia presentation some of the elements to consider are: text animation photos video sound Identify how visual and multimedia elements help increase the understanding of text Explain how images, sounds and movements contribute to the tone of the text Explain how photos, animation, and sounds are used to create beauty in a multimedia presentation of a print text. 			

- How do the images, sounds, and movements contribute to a video or live presentation of a story that you have already read?
- How does adding photo images or video help increase your understanding of the text?
- What audio elements can you add to your presentation of that story, folktale, myth, or poem?
- When reading this graphic novel, be sure to notice how the creator uses words and images to convey the story.
- Think about how visual images influence your perspective.



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RL.5.9	RL.4.9	RL.6.9		
Compare and contrast stories in the same genre	Compare and contrast the treatment of similar	Compare and contrast texts in different forms		
(e.g., mysteries and adventure stories) on their	themes and topics (e.g., opposition of good and	or genres (e.g., stories and poems; historical		
approaches to similar themes and topics.	evil) and patterns of events (e.g., the quest) in	novels and fantasy stories) in terms of their		
Tested Standard	stories, myths, and traditional literature from	approaches to similar themes and topics.		
	different cultures.			
Learning Target/Evidence Statements				
Be familiar with the characteristics	of most genres			
✓ fables				
\checkmark folk tales				
✓ mysteries				
✓ poems				
✓ adventure stories				
	a hy analyzing two or more toyte of similar t	homog		
• Identify the approaches authors tak	e by analyzing two or more texts of similar t	nemes.		
Sample Questions				
 How are <u>and</u> alike? 				
 How are <u>and</u> and <u>different</u>? 				
• How do the ideas in compare to the	e ideas in ?			
	r, have that contrast the character of?			
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Why do you think the author of used the same pattern of events that was used in?				
• What kind of writing does the author u	•			
How did the author organize the story?				
What are some of the characteristics fo	What are some of the characteristics found in a fable? mystery? poem?			
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RL.5.10	RL.4.10	RL.6.10
By the end of the year, read and comprehend	By the end of the year, read and comprehend	By the end of the year, read and comprehend
literature, including stories, dramas, and	literature, including stories, dramas, and	literature, including stories, dramas, and
poetry, at the high end of the grades 4-5 text	poetry, in the grades 4-5 text complexity band	poems, in the grades 6-8 text complexity band
complexity band independently and	independently and proficiently, with	proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the
proficiently.	scaffolding as needed at the high end of the	high end of the range.
	range.	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
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• Select books at the appropriate grade level	vel	
	to books from a variety of genres	
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 Use a recording sheet to track the titles a 		
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• Use a recording sheet to track the titles a Sample Questions	and genres of books and stories read	
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 Use a recording sheet to track the titles a Sample Questions What have you read independently late What genres have you read? What genre did you enjoy the most? 	and genres of books and stories read	
 Use a recording sheet to track the titles a Sample Questions What have you read independently late What genres have you read? What genre did you enjoy the most? Have you read multiple books by the set of the se	and genres of books and stories read tely? same author?	
 Use a recording sheet to track the titles a Sample Questions What have you read independently late What genres have you read? What genre did you enjoy the most? Have you read multiple books by the set who is your favorite author? Have you 	and genres of books and stories read tely? same author? u read any of his/her books lately?	
 Use a recording sheet to track the titles a Sample Questions What have you read independently late What genres have you read? What genre did you enjoy the most? Have you read multiple books by the set who is your favorite author? Have you 	and genres of books and stories read tely? same author? u read any of his/her books lately? 'Have you tried this reading this type of book?"	

• Do you think you are ready to move to the next level?



Reading Informational Text			
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RI.5.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text. Tested Standard	RI.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	RI.6.1 Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	
 Learning Target/Evidence Statements Understand the points the author is trying to make Decide what the author is saying that would help explain your belief Use phrases such as: <i>according to the author, in the book the author says, on page six the author wrote,</i> when explaining what the text says. When inferring from the text cite what the author said that lead you to that conclusion Cite specific examples and details to support inferences 			

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RI.5.2	RI.4.2	RI.6.2



Determine two or more main ideas and how they are supported by key details; summarize the text. Tested Standard	Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.	Determine a 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.			
 Learning Target/Evidence Statements Identify the main ideas of the text Determine which details are key to the text Analyze how the author supported the main ideas with those details Know how to summarize text Use key details and the main idea to summarize 					
 After reading the text, which details support How did you decide that these details are imp What kind of details does the author use to se Write a short summary about what you have 	 Sample Questions What is this text about? What are the main ideas developed in the text? After reading the text, which details support the main ideas? How did you decide that these details are important? What kind of details does the author use to support the main ideas? Write a short summary about what you have learned? 				

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RI.5.3	RI.4.3	RI.6.3



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. Tested Standard	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.	Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
 Recognize the difference between an event, an idea, individual, or concept Understand information read in historical, scientific, or technical text Compare and contrast the effect of the interactions of people, ideas, events, or concepts on history, science, or technology Cite specific information from the text that supports observations about relationships or interactions 		
Sample Questions		
 Explain the relationship between and What information from the text did you use to determine the relationship between these two scientific concepts? What information from the text did you use to determine the relationship between these two historical events? What was the result of 's idea? How has the interaction between these two people affected us today? Where in the text does the author indicate what the result of these events has been? 		

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.4	RI.4.4	RI.6.4
Determine the meaning of general academic	Determine the meaning of general academic and	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as
and domain-specific words and phrases in a	domain-specific words or phrases in a text	they are used in a text, including figurative,
text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area.	relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.(See	connotative, and technical meanings.



(See grade 5 Language standards 4-6 for additional expectations.)	grade 4 Language standards 4-6 on pages 28 for additional expectations.)	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Know how to use a dictionary or digita	al reference material to determine the meaning of word	ls
• Know how to use Greek and Latin affi	xes and roots as clues to determine the meaning of a w	vord/phrase
• Use context to help determine the mea	ning of figurative language	
• Use the relationship of words to help d	letermine the word meaning	
• Recognize when a phrase is being used	as an idiomatic expression	
• Understand the words may have multiple meanings		
Sample Questions		
• Can you read the sentences around the	word/phrase to help you determine its meaning?	
• What does the word mean in thi	is sentence?	
• What does the phrase mean in this selection?		
• What tools can you use to help you find the meaning of this word?		
• Are there any parts of the word you know? Can you use that to help you figure out the meaning of the word?		
• What does the prefix mean in the word?		
• Where else in the book might you look	• Where else in the book might you look to help you figure out what the word means?	
• What word would be the best choice in	n searching for on the Internet?	

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.5	RI.4.5	RI.6.5
Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g.,	Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology,	Analyze how a particular sentence, paragraph,
chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem	comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of	chapter, or section fits into the overall structure
/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or	events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text	of a text and contributes to the development of



information in two or more texts. Tested Standard	or part of a text.	the ideas. Analyze the use of text features (e.g., graphics,
Testeu Stanuaru		headers, captions) in popular media.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
 Know that organizational structures are us chronology comparison cause/effect problem/solution Know that some authors organize events, Compare and contrast how two different a 	ideas, concepts or information in cl	nronological (time) order s, concepts or information in two or more texts
Sample Questions		
 How is this chapter/text organized? If you compared these two books about Is this chapter (part of the book) organized Do the authors of both of these texts agree The author organized this chapter by chro 	d chronologically, by cause/effect of as to the cause and effect of?	•

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.6	RI. 4.6	RI. 6.6
Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or	Compare and contrast a firsthand and	Determine an author's point of view or purpose
topic, noting important similarities and	secondhand account of the same event or topic;	in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the
differences in the point of view they represent.	describe the differences in focus and the	text.
Tested Standard	information provided.	



Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Understand that the word *account* is a synonym for a description of an event or experience
- Understand that multiple accounts might include both firsthand (people who were there at the time) and secondhand (someone who learned of the event from someone else) accounts
- Describe similarities and differences between two accounts of the same event or topic
- Explain point of view

- What are the sources for the different accounts of the event or topic?
- Are these first- or secondhand accounts of the events?
- Describe the similarities between the accounts.
- Using the books, can you find some important differences in their accounts of the events or topics?
- Describe the differences between _____ and _____.
- What details did the author provide to convey the difference between _____ and ____?
- Why do you think the authors describe or tell about the events or topics differently?
- Why would the point of view be different in these versions?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.7	RI.4.7	RI.6.7
Draw on information from multiple print or	Interpret information presented visually, orally,	Integrate information presented in different
digital sources, demonstrating the ability to	or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs,	media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively)
locate an answer to a question quickly or to	diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive	as well as in words to develop a coherent
solve a problem efficiently.	elements on Web pages) and explain how the	understanding of a topic or issue.
Tested Standard	information contributes to an understanding of	
	the text in which it appears.	



Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
Be familiar with reference materials in libraries such as atlas, glossaries, encyclopedias		
 Know how to access digital information sources such as Google, Bing, Wolfram Alpha, Wikipedia, dictionary.com 		
• Know how to use key terms to focus a search		
• Know how to enter a question		
• Know how to skim and scan print media to locate answers		
• Determine if a source is credible		
Sample Questions		
• Use Internet sources to find the answer to		
• Use the information from and to find the answers to		
• How would you solve the problem of?		
• Where would you find this answer?		
Summarize information from different formats.		
• Can you use the information from several different sources to come up with a solution to that problem?		
• Which search engine would be the best to use in order to locate the answer to the question?		

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.8	RI.4.8	RI.6.8
Explain how an author uses reasons and	Explain how an author uses reasons and	Trace and evaluate the argument and specific
evidence to support particular points in a text,	evidence to support particular points in a text.	claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are
identifying which reasons and evidence support		supported by reasons and evidence from claims
which point(s).		that are not.
Tested Standard		



Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Recognize the points the author is trying to make through his writing
- Explain what evidence is used and how it supports what he/she has written
- Define the difference between reasons and evidence
- Identify what reasons the author gives for making these points
- Identify facts and details the author has cited as evidence to support his points

- What is the author's message?
- Did the author use any evidence to support his thinking?
- Where in the text does the author show evidence to support the claim?
- Why did the author write that?
- Does the author give any reasons for writing that?
- Could you tell me why the author might have included that?
- What evidence could the author have added to make the points stronger?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.9 Integrate information from several texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably. Tested Standard	RI.4.9 Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.	RI.6.9 Compare and contrast one author's presentation of events with that of another (e.g., a memoir written by and a biography on the same person).
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		

- Have access to several texts on the same topic
- Have a system for organizing information from several sources



- Find the common details about a topic when reading different texts
- Compare the text to find key details/ideas which are different
- Combine the most important information
- Write or speak about a subject knowledgeably

Sample Questions

- What did you learn from this piece of text about __*topic*__?
- Were there important details in this text that were not in the other?
- How are you deciding what details are important enough that you need to include them when you are writing?
- Did the author of this text write something that you need to include that the other didn't?
- How are you keeping track of the information so that you can put it together when you are writing or speaking?
- Does that sound like you know what you are talking about?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.5.10	RI.4.10	RI.6.10
By the end of the year, read and comprehend	By the end of the year, read and comprehend	By the end of the year, read and comprehend
informational texts including history/social	informational texts, including history/social	literary nonfiction in the grades 6-8 text
studies, science, and technical texts, at the high	studies, science, and technical texts, in the	complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding
end of the grades 4-5 text complexity band	grades 4-5 text complexity band proficiently,	as needed at the high end of the range.
independently and proficiently.	with scaffolding as needed at the high end of	
	the range.	

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Understand how to use text features to comprehend information text
- Understand that the purpose of reading informational text is to learn about or understand a subject better
- Know how to access many different types of informational text such as magazine, online website, textbooks, that vary in a range of text complexity

Sample Question

• Have you tried reading a book about_____



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- After reading your science book you might want to look up more information in a trade book or on the computer.
- Another book about this topic is...
- The school library has a book about ...
- Before reading did you look at the headings on the page?
- Did you read the bold print to help you understand what you are reading?
- Were you able to read the information fluently?

Reading Foundational Skills		
TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RF.5.3	RF.4.3	RF.6.3
Know and apply grade-level phonics and word	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word	Not applicable
analysis skills in decoding words.	analysis skills in decoding words.	
a. Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound	a. Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound	
correspondences, syllabication patterns, and	correspondences, syllabication patterns, and	
morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read	morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read	
accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context	accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context	
and out of context.	and out of context.	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Know which letters and sounds are related		
• Be familiar with syllabication patterns		
• Use roots, affixes and base words to read unfa	-	
Combine phonics and word analysis skills to	decode unfamiliar multisyllabic words out of context	



- Can you make all the sounds in that word in order?
- Are there any familiar parts in that word that you can use to help you?
- Do you know any other words like that?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RF.5.4	RF. 4.4	RF.6.4
Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to	Not applicable
support comprehension.	support comprehension.	
a. Read on-level text with purpose and	a. Read on-level text with purpose and	
understanding.	understanding.	
b. Read on-level prose and poetry orally with	b. Read on-level prose and poetry orally with	
accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on	accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on	
successive readings.	successive readings.	
c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word	c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word	
recognition and understanding, re-reading as	recognition and understanding, re-reading as	
necessary.	necessary.	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Set a purpose for reading		
• Know when understanding has been lost		
• Use expression when reading		
• Self-monitor for understanding		
Use Strategies for self-correction		
• Read a variety of fiction text		
• Re-read for fluency and comprehension		
• Skim text for information		
Scan text to confirm		
Sample Questions		
What is your reason for reading this selection	?	
• Do you understand what you are reading?		
• What can you do when the story/text doesn't n	make sense?	



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- What strategies can you use to help you understand what you are reading?
- Did you scan the text to get an idea about what you will be reading?
- Did you scan the page before starting to read?
- After looking at the question, can you scan the page for an answer?
- Can you make that sound like you were talking?

Writing		
TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
 W.5.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information. a. Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which ideas are logically grouped to support the writer's purpose. b. Provide logically ordered reasons that are supported by facts and details. c. Link opinions and reasons using words, phrases, and clauses (e.g., <i>consequently, specifically</i>). d. Provide a concluding statement or section 	 W.4.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information. a. Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose. b. Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details. c. Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in 	 W.6.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. a. Introduce a claim(s) and organize the reasons and evidence clearly. b. Support claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence, using credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text. c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim(s) and reasons. d. Establish and maintain a formal style. e. Provide a concluding statement or section



related to the opinion presented.	addition) d. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.	that follows from the argument presented.
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Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
Understand the features of expositorKnow how to group related ideasRecognize when ideas are not expression	ssed logically o help the reader follow the information on effectively	organize text
Sample Questions		
What is your writing about? How wiWhat reasons do you state to explain		
• Which facts and details have you inc	luded that support your opinion?	
• Should your reasons be placed in a s	pecific order? Why, or why not? Is your writing logical	?
• Is your writing logical?		



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W.5.2	W.4.2	W.6.2
Write informative/explanatory texts to examine	Write informative / explanatory texts to	Write informative/ explanatory texts to examine
a topic and convey ideas and information	examine a topic and convey ideas and	a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and
clearly.	information clearly.	information through the selection, organization,
a. Introduce a topic clearly, provide a general	a. Introduce a topic clearly and group related	and analysis of relevant content.
observation and focus, and group related	information in paragraphs and sections; include	a. Introduce a topic or thesis statement;
information logically;	formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and	organize
include formatting (<i>e.g., headings</i>), illustrations,	multimedia when useful to aiding	ideas, concepts, and information, using
and multimedia when useful to aiding	comprehension.	strategies such as definition, classification,
comprehension.	b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions,	comparison/ contrast, and cause/ effect; include
b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions,	concrete details, quotations, or other	formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g.,
concrete details, quotations, or other	information and examples related to the topic.	charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to
information and examples related to the topic.	c. Link ideas within categories of information	aiding comprehension.
c. Link ideas within and across categories of	using words and phrases (e.g., another, for	b. Develop the topic with relevant facts,
information using words, phrases, and clauses	example, also because).	definitions,
(e.g., in contrast, especially).	d. Use precise language and domain specific	concrete details, quotations, or other
d. Use precise language and domain specific	vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	information and examples.
vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	e. Provide a concluding statement or section	c. Use appropriate transitions to clarify the
e. Provide a concluding statement or section	related to the information or explanation	relationships among ideas and concepts.
related to the information or explanation	presented.	d. Use precise language and domain-specific
presented.		to inform about or explain the topic.
Tested Standard		e. Establish and maintain a formal style.
		f. Provide a concluding statement or section that
		follows from the information or explanation
		presented.

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Write an introduction that includes a topic sentence
- Understand how to develop a topic
- Know that illustrations, headings, pictures can make the writing understandable
- Logically group information so that the writing remains focused
- Know the correct way to format and include facts, definitions, quotes and examples to help convey information



- Support the topic with facts
- Use appropriate vocabulary
- Provide an effective conclusion

- How will you introduce your topic?
- How will you organize and group your information?
- How will you narrow the focus of your writing?
- Did you include examples, quotes and details about your topic?
- What do others say about your topic? Can you include a quote from the reading you did?
- Are there illustrations, or other media you can use as a source to make you text easier to understand?
- What relevant facts support the topic?
- What other details, facts, definitions can be added to your writing?
- What words/phrases will you use to link your ideas across paragraphs and the across the text.

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.3	W.4.3	W.6.3
Write narratives to develop real or imagined	Write narratives to develop real or imagined	Write narratives to develop real or imagined
experiences or events using effective technique,	experiences or events using effective technique,	experiences or events using effective technique,
descriptive details,	descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	relevant descriptive details, and well-structured
and clear event sequences.	a. Orient the reader by establishing a situation	event sequences.
a. Orient the reader by establishing a situation	and introducing a narrator and/ or characters;	a. Engage and orient the reader by establishing
and introducing a narrator and/ or characters;	organize an event sequence that unfolds	a
organize an event sequence that unfolds	naturally.	context and introducing a narrator and/ or
naturally.	b. Use dialogue and description to develop	characters; organize an event sequence that
b. Use narrative techniques such as dialogue,	experiences and events or show the responses of	unfolds naturally and logically.
description, and pacing, to develop experiences	characters to situations.	b. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue,
and events or show the responses of characters	c. Use a variety of transitional words and	pacing, and description, to develop experiences,
to situations.	phrases to manage the sequence of events.	events, and/ or characters.
c. Use a variety of transitional words, phrases,	d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory	c. Use a variety of transition words, phrases and
and clauses to manage the sequence of events.	details to convey experiences and events	clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts
d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory	precisely.	from one time frame or setting to another.



details to convey experiences and events	e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the	d. Use precise words and phrases relevant
precisely.	narrated experiences or events.	descriptive details, and sensory language to
e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the		convey experiences and events.
narrated experiences or events.		e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the
Tested Standard		narrated experiences or events.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Outline the major events and settings of the	he story	
• Let people know who is telling the story a	and what situation the characters find themselves i	n
• Use the character's words to help explain	what is happening and what the character is think	ing
• Know and use a variety of temporal word	s to move the story from beginning to end	
Use sensory and descriptive words to help	the reader visualize the characters, experiences,	and settings in the story
• Use precise words to help the reader under	erstand the feelings and thoughts of the characters	
• Understand the importance of a satisfying	conclusion	
Sample Questions		
• Who, when and where will your story be	about?	
• What is the problem in the story?		
• Who is telling the story?		
• Describe how felt when		
• What happened after?		
• What if would have happened first	? How would that affect the plot?	
• How will you use dialogue to develop the	plot?	
• What problems will the characters face in	the story?	
• What actions will the characters take in re	esponse to the events in the story?	
• How does the character change throughout	it the story?	
• Remember to show the reader with precis	e words.	
• What events will lead to the conclusion/re	esolution of your story?	

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.4	W.4.4	W.6.4
Produce clear and coherent writing (including	Produce clear and coherent writing (including	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the
multiple-paragraph texts) in which the	multiple-paragraph texts) in which the	development, organization, and style are



development and organization are appropriate	development and organization are appropriate	appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific	to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific	(Grade-specific expectations for writing types
expectations for writing types are defined in	expectations for writing types are defined in	are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
Standards 1–3)	Standards 1–3 above.)	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Write in a logical, sequential manner		
• Have a large body of known words so they ca	an choose words that will help make meaning clear	
Understand and use organizational structure s	such as comparing and contrasting, problem/solution, et	с.
• Understand the purpose for the writing task		
Understand the audience		
Sample Questions		
• Who will be reading your writing?		
• Are you writing to tell a story or to help s	omeone learn more about?	
• What form of writing does the prompt cal	l for?	
• Who is the audience?		
• What is the text structure?		
• Is there a thinking map or graphic organiz	zer you can use to help organize your writing?	
• What facts, events, dialogue, examples an	e you including that will help make your writing cl	earer?
• Does your writing move the reader easily	from one part to another?	

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TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.5	W.4.5	W.6.5
With guidance and support from peers and	With guidance and support from peers and	With some guidance and support from peers
adults, develop and strengthen writing as	adults, develop and strengthen writing as	and adults, develop and strengthen writing as
needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting,	needed by planning, revising, and editing.	needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting,
or trying a new approach. (Editing for	(Editing for conventions should demonstrate	or trying a new approach. (Editing for
conventions should demonstrate command of	command of Language standards 1-3 up to and	conventions should demonstrate command of
Language standards 1-3 up to and including	including grade 4 on pages 28 and 29.)	Language standards 1-3 up to and including
grade 5.)		grade 6.)
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		



- What will you use to help organize your ideas?
- Which would be the best opening sentence?
- What is the best title for this selection?
- Can you rewrite this so that the ideas/details are clearer?
- Which sentence can best be added?
- Which sentence would be the best topic sentence?
- You have tried organizing your writing this way, have you thought of using another approach?
- Did you share your ideas and thoughts with your group?
- What feedback did they give you?
- Is there a better way to start or end your writing?

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TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.6	W.4.6	W.6.6
With guidance and support from adults, use	With some guidance and support from adults,	Use technology, including the Internet, to
technology, including the Internet, to produce	use technology, including the Internet, to	produce and publish writing as well as to
and publish writing as well as to interact and	produce and publish writing as well as to	interact and collaborate with others;
collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient	interact and collaborate with others;	demonstrate sufficient command of
command of keyboarding skills to type a	demonstrate sufficient command of	keyboarding skills to type a minimum of three



minimum of two pages in a single sitting.	keyboarding skills to type a minimum of one page in a single sitting.	pages in a single sitting
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Use a standard keyboard and know som	ne of the basic functions	
• Access the Internet as part of a group ta	ask	
• Demonstrate knowledge of publishing	programs and structure	
• Know how to set margins, spacing, tab	s, make columns, add page numbers, page orientatio	n and set up
• Know how to save documents on the c	omputer	-
• Understand how to use search engines	on the Internet such as Google, Bing, Yahoo	
• Be familiar with various computer prog	grams (e.g.: Word, Publisher, Power Point, Spell-che	eck, email, etc.) and be able to use them efficiently
Work collaboratively		
Sample Questions		
• What software would you use to create	this document?	
• Where/how would you save your docu	ment?	
• How do you spell check a document?		
• How do you access?		
• How would you find on the Int	ternet?	
• How did your group divide up the resp	onsibilities for the task?	
• What online resources might you use to	o help write your paper?	
- •	o help write your paper?	

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.7	W.4.7	W.6.7
Conduct short research projects that use several	Conduct short research projects that build	Conduct short research projects to answer a
sources to build knowledge through	knowledge through investigation of different	question, drawing on several sources and
investigation of different aspects	aspects of a topic.	refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.
of a topic.		
Tested Standard		
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
-Use the steps for writing a research paper		
✓ Define a topic		



✓ Make a list of questions/resources
✓ Make notes or create a graphic organizer
\checkmark Write the first draft
✓ Seek help to edit and revise from peers
✓ Publish
-Know how to use reference materials such as encyclopedias, search engines or databases
-Use of key words for Internet searches
-Know how to cite a variety of sources
-Know the organizational structures used when writing a research project
-Synthesize information from various perspectives or authors
-Create bibliography
Sample Questions
• What sources could you use to investigate and write about it?
• What question does your research report answer?
• What online sources will you use?
• Will you be able to finish this research in one or two periods?
• Did you research both the positive and negative sides of the issue?
• How will you keep track of the sources you use?
• Which bibliography entry is cited correctly?
• How do you gite a hibliography entry for a 2

• How do you cite a bibliography entry for a _____?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.8	W.4.8	W.6.8
Recall relevant information from experiences or	Recall relevant information from experiences or	Gather relevant information from multiple print
gather relevant information from print and	gather relevant information from print and	and digital sources; assess the credibility of
digital sources; summarize or paraphrase	digital sources; take notes paraphrase, and	each source; and quote or paraphrase the data
information in notes and finished work, and	categorize information, and provide a list of	and conclusions of others while avoiding
provide a list of sources.	sources.	plagiarism and providing basic bibliographic
		information for sources.

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Research topics using multiple sources both print and digital
- Decide whether information discovered is relevant or important to the work



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- Cite sources both digital and print sources
- Know and use several note-taking strategies, such as use of index cards, notebooks, graphic organizers
- Know how to paraphrases the words of the author without copying
- Create a bibliography
- Summarize information from multiple sources
- Interpret data

- Ask yourself, "How does this support my topic?"
- Is this information important to your research?
- How do you know the source is credible?
- How did you determine if this information is relevant to your topic?
- How do you cite sources in a bibliography?
- Where can you find information about how to cite Internet sources?
- What do you need to do if you are using the author's exact words?
- Can you say that using your own words?
- How is a digital source cited differently than a printed source?
- How will you summarize the information found in this data?
- What can you conclude?

CCSS	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.9	W.4.9	W.6.9
Draw evidence from literary or informational	Draw evidence from literary or informational	Draw evidence from literary or informational
texts to support analysis, reflection and	texts to support analysis, reflection, and	texts to support analysis, reflection, and
research.	research.	research.
a. Apply grade 5 Reading standards to	a. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to	a. Apply grade 6 Reading standards to
literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast two or	literature (e.g., "Describe in depth a character,	literature
more characters, settings, or events in a story or	setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing	(e.g., "Compare and contrast texts in different
a drama, drawing on specific details in the text	on specific details in the text [e.g., a character's	forms or genres [e.g., stories and poems;
[e.g., how characters interact]").	thoughts, words, or actions].").	historical novels and fantasy stories] in terms of
b. Apply grade 5 Reading standards to	b. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to	their approaches to similar themes and topics").
informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an	informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an	b. Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literary
author uses reasons and evidence to support	author uses reasons and evidence to support	nonfiction (e.g., "Trace and evaluate the
particular points in a text, identifying which	particular points in a text").	argument



reasons and evidence support which point[s]").		and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not").
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Analyze information based on the details	the author provides	
• Synthesize information using the interacti	ons of the characters, events, and setting with their	knowledge of the world
• Cite information and explain how it suppo		
• Research information and draw conclusion	ns about what has been said/written	
Sample Questions		
• What evidence did the author use to suppo	ort his/her claims?	
• Explain the evidence the author used to su		
• Compare the two events in each of the two		
• Describe what you have learned on this to	pic.	
• Which details can you add that will make	1	
• What caused you to think or believe that?		
• Has studying this topic caused you to char	nge your thinking? How will your writing reflect th	hat change?
CCSS	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.5.10	W.4.10	W.6.10
Write routinely over extended time frames (<i>time</i>	Write routinely over extended time frames (<i>time</i>	Write routinely over extended time frames (time
for research, reflection, and revision) and	for research, reflection, and revision) and	for research, reflection, and revision) and
shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or	shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or	shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or
<i>two</i>) for a range of discipline-specific tasks,	<i>two</i>) for a range of discipline-specific tasks,	two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks,
purposes, and audiences.	purposes, and audiences.	purposes, and audiences.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
 Select appropriate writing topics 		
• Recognize purpose for writing		
• Know the audience		
• Organize thoughts to focus on a topic		
• Know how to research a topic using vario	us sources	



- Generate questions to continue to write on a topic for an extended amount of time
- Know how to conclude different types of writings
- Know that a research paper has an introduction, a body, and a conclusion
- Know that for writing a research project you must include and cite various sources.

- How did you pick your topic?
- How will you organize your thoughts? (graphic organizers, Thinking Maps)
- Write about...
- Today you will have _____ minutes to write about...
- Where will you find your sources? Do you have a variety of sources from which you can pull information?
- Re-read your writing and ask a peer to read it to see if there are additions you need to make.
- Did you think about your audience when you were writing?
- Did you edit and revise your writing using the proofreading checklist?

Speaking and Listening		
TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
S.L.5.1	S.L.4.1	S.L.6.1
Engage effectively in a range of collaborative	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative
discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-	discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher	discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and
led) with diverse partners on grade 5 topics and	led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and	teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 6
texts, building on others' ideas and expressing	texts, building on others' ideas and expressing	topics, texts, and issues, building on others'
their own clearly.	their own clearly.	ideas and expressing their own clearly.
a. Come to discussions prepared having read or	a. Come to discussions prepared having read or	a. Come to discussions prepared,
studied required material; explicitly draw on	studied required material; explicitly draw on	having read or studied required material;
that preparation and other information	that preparation and other information known	explicitly draw on that preparation by referring
known about the topic to explore ideas under	about the topic to explore ideas under	to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe
discussion.	discussion.	and reflect on ideas under discussion.
b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and	b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and	b. Follow rules for collegial discussions, set



carry out assigned roles.c. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others.d. Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.	 carry out assigned roles. c. 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. d. Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion 	 specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed. c. Pose and respond to specific questions with elaboration and detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or issue under discussion. d. Review the key ideas expressed and demonstrate understanding of multiple perspectives through reflection and paraphrasing.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		1
• Be prepared when you come to group		
• Use what you have learned to help othe		
• Respect the contributions made by othe	rs	
• Use rules of conversations		
-Everyone should contribute to the discussion		
-Keep focused on the topic being discussed -Don't interrupt		
-Be an attentive listener		
• Help you group stay focused by posing	questions that	
contribute to the discussion	1	
• Offer comments or responses that build	on the remarks of others	
• Listen with the intent to learn and build	knowledge	
Sample Questions		
Sample Questions		
• Are you prepared? Have you reviewe	d the assignment?	
• Did you complete your reading assign	-	
What information will you contribute		



- In light of what has already been said, what are your thoughts about...?
- What else could you add to that comment?
- What clarifying questions could you ask of your partner?
- Can you show the group where you got your information?
- What conclusions did you arrive at after your conversation with your group?

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TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.5.2	SL.4.2	SL.6.2
Summarize a written text read aloud or	Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or	Interpret information presented in diverse media
information presented in diverse media and	information presented in diverse	and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and
formats, including visually, quantitatively,	media and formats, including visually,	orally) and explain how it contributes to a topic,
and orally.	quantitatively, and orally.	text, or issue under study
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
Summarize		
• Interpret information from various fo	rmats	
Offer an explanation		
• Synthesize information		
 Interpret information presented visual 	lly, quantitatively or orally	
Sample Questions		
• Summarize the information presented.		
• Describe what you have learned from he	earing about this topic.	
• What are the key ideas presented in the		
• Write a summary about what you saw an	1	
 How did the information expand your up 		
How can you use this information?		
- How can you use this mornation:		



- How does the way the information is presented help you understand it?
- What are some of the facts or data presented here?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.5.3 Summarize the points a speaker or media source makes and explain how each claim is supported by reasons and evidence, and identify and analyze any logical fallacies.	SL.4.3 Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker or media source provides to support particular points.	SL.6.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.
 Learning Target/Evidence Statements Summarize information presented orally of Understand that evidence can be exampled Identify the claims made by the speaker of Identify when the claims are not logical or 	s, facts, or personal interview r media source	
 Analyze whether the evidence and reasons Sample Questions What is it that the speaker is claiming? 	s are valid	
 What is it that the speaker is channing. What support does the speaker use to support How does the evidence support the speaker 		



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TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.5.4	SL.4.4	SL.6.4
Report on a topic or text or present an opinion,	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount	Present claims and findings (e.g., argument,
sequencing ideas logically and using	an experience in an organized manner, using	narrative, informative, response to literature
appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive	appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive	presentations), and sequencing ideas logically
details to support main ideas or themes; speak	details to support main ideas or themes; speak	and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and
clearly at an understandable pace.	clearly at an understandable pace.	details and nonverbal elements to accentuate
a. Plan and deliver an opinion speech that:	a. Plan and deliver a narrative presentation that:	main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye
states an opinion, logically sequences	relates ideas, observations, or recollections;	contact, adequate volume, and clear
evidence to support the speaker's position,	provides a clear context; and includes clear	pronunciation.
uses transition words to effectively link	insight into why the event or experience is	
opinions and evidence (e.g., consequently and therefore) and provides a concluding	memorable.	a. Plan and deliver an informative/explanatory
therefore), and provides a concluding statement related to the speaker's position.		presentation that: develops a topic with relevant facts, definitions, and concrete details; uses
b. Memorize and recite a poem or section of		appropriate transitions to clarify relationship;
a speech or historical document using rate,		uses precise language and domain specific
expression, and gestures appropriate to the		vocabulary; and provides a strong conclusion.
selection.		vocuoulary, and provides a subing conclusion.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
Plan an opinion speech		
• Sequence ideas in the speech in an order	that is logical	
Use evidence to support the position/opin	ion	
• Use transitions words that link the opinio	ns and evidence is a manner that is logical	
• Sequence ideas logically using facts and o	letails	
Memorize and recite a poem		
• Memorize and recite part of a speech or h		
When reciting use appropriate gestures or	expressions	
Sample Questions		
What are you writing about? Is your opini	on about your topic clear?	



- How will you organize your ideas?
- What evidence will you use to support your position/opinion?
- Is the evidence and facts you have gathers sufficient to support your opinion?
- How are you moving from one paragraph/idea to the next? Are you using appropriate transition words?
- Which poem will you be reciting? Have you thought about some gestures you can use to express the feelings in the poem?

TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.5.5	SL.4.5	SL.6.5
Recall relevant information from experiences or	Recall information from experiences or	Recall relevant information from experiences
gather relevant information from print and	gather information from print and digital	or gather relevant information from print
digital sources; take notes and categorize	sources; take brief notes on sources and sort	and digital sources; summarize or
information, and provide a list of sources.	evidence into provided categories.	paraphrase information in notes and finished
		work, and provide a list of sources.
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
• Understand how to create visual displays		
Know how to embed multimedia compone	ents (photos, audio, text, animation, etc.) in a prese	ntation
• Know how to use digital media including	video cameras, projectors, Power Point presentatio	ns, document cameras
Sample Questions		
• What else could you use to enhance under	standing in your presentation?	
• How would including that media help the	presentation?	
• What kind of information could you conv	ey by using graphics, sound	
• What digital media could you use to prese	nt your data?	
• What could you do to keep your presentat	ion focused?	
CCSS Prior Grade Standard Future Grade Standard		Future Grade Standard
SL.5.6	SL.4.6	SL.6.6
Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks,	Differentiate between contexts that call for	Adapt speech to variety of contexts and tasks,
using formal English when appropriate to task	formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and	demonstrating command of formal English
and situation. (See grade 5 Language standards	situations where informal discourse is	when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 6
1 and 3 for specific expectations.)	appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion); use	Language standards 1 and 3 on page 52 for
	formal English when appropriate to task and	specific expectations.)
	situation. (See grade 4 Language standards 1 on	



pages 28 and 29 for specific expectations.)
Learning Target/Evidence Statements
• Ability to adapt speech to a variety of contexts
• Understand the use of formal English
• Know when it would be appropriate to use formal English
Identify your audience
Sample Questions
• What is the reason you are speaking?
• Who is in the audience? What do they know about your subject?
• Are you delivering a formal presentation?
• Are you trying to persuade your audience?
• Are you explaining something?
Are there places where you can substitute more precise, engaging language to keep the listeners interested?

Language		
TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
 L.5.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. a. Explain the function of conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections in general and their function in particular sentences. 	 L.4.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. a. Write fluidly and legibly in cursive or joined italics. b. Use interrogative relative pronouns (who, 	SL.6.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. a. Ensure that pronouns are in the proper case (subjective, objective, possessive). b. Use all pronouns, including intensive pronouns (e.g., myself, ourselves) correctly.
b. Form and use the perfect (e.g., I had walked;I have walked;I will have walked) verb tenses.c. Use verb tense to convey various times,	whose, whom, which, that) and relative adverbs (where, when, why).c. Form and use the progressive (e.g., I was walking; I am walking; I will be walking) verb	 c. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person. c. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (i.e.,



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sequences, states, and conditions.	tenses.	ones with unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in	d. Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must)	d. Recognize variations from standard English in
verb tense.	to convey various conditions.	
e. Use correlative conjunctions (e.g., either/or,	e. Order adjectives within sentences according	their own and others' writing and speaking, and
neither /nor).	to conventional patterns (e.g., a small red bag	identify and use strategies to improve expression
	rather than a red small bag).	in conventional language.*
	f. Form and use prepositional phrases.	
	g. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and	
	correcting inappropriate fragments and run-	
	ons.*	
	h. Correctly use frequently confused words	
	(e.g., to, too, two; there, their).*	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Explain the function of conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections

-Use the appropriate verb tenses

- Know that verb tenses convey a sense of time and states of being

- Monitor the use of verb tenses and correct when necessary

- Correctly use either/or, neither/nor, etc.

- Explain why you would use a conjunction instead of a preposition or interjection.
- What does the use of this form of verb indicate?
- What is the meaning the perfect verb tense?
- How does verb tense relate to how you are writing your piece?
- Use your editing skills to correct _____.
- Read your writing out loud. Does it sound right?



TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
 TN Standard L.5.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. a. Use punctuation to separate items in a series.* b. Use a comma to separate an introductory element from the rest of the sentence. 	 Prior Grade Standard L.4.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. a. Use correct capitalization. b. Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a text. c. Use a comma before a coordinating 	Future Grade StandardSL.6.2Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. a. Use punctuation (commas, parentheses, dashes) to set off nonrestrictive /parenthetical elements. b. Spell correctly.
c. Use a comma to set off the words yes and no (e.g., Yes, thank you), to set off a tag question from the rest of the sentence (e.g., It's true, isn't it?), and to indicate direct address (e.g., Is that you, Steve?).	c. Use a comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence.d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	
 d. Use underlining, quotation marks, or italics to indicate titles of works. e. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed. 		

Learning Target/Evidence Statements

- Does that need a comma?

-Where would you place commas in the following sentence? "I am taking my sleeping bag Ipod pillow and snacks on our camping trip".

-How would you use underlining, italics, or quotation marks to distinguish the title of the book in the following question? *Have you read the Chronicles of Narnia*?

-What type of writing is that? You need to know if it is the title of a book, poem or article in order to know what type of punctuation you should use. -Where might you look if you are confused about how a title needs to be punctuated?

Sample Questions

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L.5.3	L.4.3	SL.6.3
Use knowledge of language and its conventions	Use knowledge of language and its conventions	Use knowledge of language and its conventions
when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
a. Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for	a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas	a. Vary sentence patterns for meaning, reader/
meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.	precisely.	listener interest, and style.*
b. Compare and contrast the varieties of English	b. Choose punctuation for effect.	b. Maintain consistency in style and tone.*
(e.g., dialects, registers) used in stories, dramas,	c. Differentiate between contexts that call for formal	b. Maintain consistency in style and tone.
	English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where	
or poems.	informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small group	
	discussion).	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements		
-Know how to use different types of sentences in		
-Understand how to expand, combine, or reduce sentences for meaning		
-Recognize dialects and registers when reading or listening		
-Know that dialects and registers are often used by authors for effect		
Sample Questions		
-When writing or speaking to a group vary sentences t	to keep the reader/listener interested.	
-Use different styles of speech and writing to fit the au	idience and purpose.	
-Count the number of words in your sentences? Are they all about the same length or have you varied them?		
-Why do you think the author used that dialect in his/her writing?		
-How does the dialogue sound when you read it using that dialect?		
-How does that expression sound when said in Standard English? What is the effect?		
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L.5.4	L.4.4	SL.6.4
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and
multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade	multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade	multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade



5 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a	4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a	6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a	
range of strategies.	range of strategies.	range of strategies.	
a. Use context (e.g., cause/effect relationships and	a. Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or	a. Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a	
comparisons in text) as a clue to the meaning of a	restatements in text) as a clue to the meaning of a	sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function	
word or phrase.	word or phrase.	in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or	
b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin	b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin	phrase.	
affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word	affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word	b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin	
(e.g., <i>photograph</i> , <i>photosynthesis</i>).	(e.g., <i>telegraph</i> , <i>photograph</i> , <i>autograph</i>).	affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word	
c. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries,	c. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries,	(e.g., audience, auditory, audible).	
glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the	glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the	c. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to	
precise meaning of key words and phrases and to	precise meaning of key words and phrases and to	find the pronunciation of a word or determine or	
identify alternate word choices in all content	identify alternate word choices in all content areas.	clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.	
areas.	identify alternate word enoices in an content areas.	d. 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).	
Learning Target/Evidence Statements			
-Use strategies for solving unknown words including:			
-Using the roots and affixes			
-Using the context			
-Using digital and print reference materials			
-Interpret figurative language			
-Understand and explain the meaning of comm	non idioms, adages, and proverb		
-Be able to use context clues to interpret the m			
-From several alternatives choose the appropr	-		
-Identify words that are used in multiple ways in different content areas			
Sample Questions			
-What strategies have you used to try to figure out that word?			
-Have you looked in the dictionary or glossary?			
-Can you use the sentences around that word to help you discover what that word might mean?			
-Are there roots or suffixes and prefixes that you can use?			
-Can you use a dictionary to find definitions and keys to pronunciation?			

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L.5.5	L.4.5	L.6.5
Demonstrate understanding of figurative	Demonstrate understanding of figurative	Demonstrate understanding of figurative
language, word relationships, and nuances in	language, word relationships, and nuances in	language, word relationships, and nuances in
word meanings.	word meanings.	word meanings.
a. Interpret figurative language, including similes	a. Explain the meaning of simple similes and	a. Interpret figures of speech (e.g.,
and metaphors, in context.	metaphors (e.g., as pretty as a picture) in	personification) in context.
b. Recognize and explain the meaning of common	context.	b. Use the relationship between particular words
idioms, adages, and proverbs.	b. Recognize and explain the meaning of	(e.g., cause/ effect, part/ whole, item/ category)
c. Use the relationship between particular words	common idioms, adages, and proverbs.	to better understand each of the words.
(e.g., synonyms, antonyms, homographs) to better understand each of the words.	c. Demonstrate understanding of words by	c. Distinguish among the connotations
understand each of the words.	relating them to their opposites (antonyms) and	(associations) of words with similar denotations
	to words with similar but not identical meanings	(definitions) (e.g., stingy, scrimping,
	(synonyms).	economical, un wasteful, thrifty).
-Be able to recognize words that are synonyms -Recognize common idioms, adages and prove Sample Questions -The author wrote what does he/she reall -Can you show me an example of some of the figuration	rbs ly mean? we language the author used in the text?	
-Could you add a simile or metaphor to help make you		
-Why did the author choose this pair of words to put i	•	
-How does knowing how these two words are related TN Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
L.5.6	L.4.6	SL.6.6
Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate
	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate	Accume and use accurately grade-appropriate
general academic and domain specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast,	general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions,	general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge



Learning Target/Evidence Statements			
0 0 1	variety of school subjects: (analyze, determine, sum	imarize, determine, recognize)	
-Understand content specific words: (constitution			
-Read a wide variety of text, both print and digita	l media		
-Participate in collaborative discussions			
-Write for a variety of purposes and in different g	enres		
Sample Questions			
-What have you been reading lately?			
-Keep a list of words you don't know, but that might l	be important.		
-As you read, be sure to look for those words that sign	hal that an addition or contrast is going to be made.		
-The more you read, the more vocabulary you will lea			
-Be on the lookout for words you know that might be used in a different way since it is a different subject.			
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Sample Questions			
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