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Philosophy of Communication Arts Instruction

"In the beginning, there was the WORD." So begins the Gospel of John. The Word made Flesh is Jesus Christ, who is our first and most important teacher. The study of words, then, and how they are used in Communication Arts in the Diocese of Green Bay will start and end with this idea: that the Word is God, and learning to communicate – in reading, writing, and in speaking – is ultimately a quest for each student to make the message of the Gospels their first Words read, written and spoken in Christ's name.

To develop skills in language, then, is a natural extension of this mission to "go make of all disciples" as we prepare literate students for life in our ever changing society. Catholic school education instills in students, knowledge of English language and literature, as well as fluency in reading, writing, speaking, listening, and thinking.

Special emphasis is placed on the development of critical thinking skills and comprehension to prepare students to make sound judgments based on Catholic values.

We are committed to develop within ourselves as educators and in our students an understanding and appreciation of the culture and language our students bring with them; we recognize that a growing number of students speak a non-standard dialect of English or are bilingual. While embracing cultural pluralism, we also help our students move sequentially from competency in reading and basic oral and written communication to the acquisitions of Standard English syntax and pronunciation.

Goals and objectives are based on the instructional approach to student experience. Teaching objectives are sequenced according to the ability of the growing young person so that students will demonstrate further growth in various aspects of oral and written language at each grade level.

Goals of Communication Arts: These standards for Communication Arts aspire to reach the goals of Catholic education by forming Christians who:

- Work cooperatively in a spirit of mutual service, respecting always the dignity of the human person;
- Cultivate their intellectual growth and determine their aesthetic standards;
- Appreciate and enjoy a constantly widening scope of literature and the language in which it is communicated;
- Become aware of important historical and literary elements of our cultural heritage, including and especially the writings of important figures in our Church;

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- Relate the ideas, feelings, and experiences derived from literature and communicate them effectively to others;
- Recognize that the expression of the whole physical self is a reflection of God and forwarding his mission, sometimes without words:
- Use knowledge gained from reading to make sound judgments based on Catholic principles;
- Realize that the effective and responsible use of the English language is crucial to becoming a Catholic influence in contemporary social justice and moral issues;
- Broaden their reading interests;
- Make choices in leisure reading and viewing activities grounded in literary discretion and moral judgment;
- Possess the tools of language necessary for critical evaluation of media, propaganda, news and advertisements;
- Integrate and apply communication arts activities to all aspects of the curriculum.

The Development and application of Catholic values is a vital and integral component of these Communication Arts standards and all subject areas.

The primary purpose of these standards, benchmarks and grade level expectations is to assist the teacher in determining "what" students should know, understand and be able to do at the end of the school year.

The domain areas include

- Vocabulary and Word Analysis (V)
- Reading Literature and Informational Texts Craft and Structure (RS)
- Reading Literature and Informational Text Comprehension, Response, and Analysis (RC)
- Writing Processes and Features (W)
- Grammar and Usage (G)
- Speaking and Listening: Comprehension and Collaboration (SL)

Referencing the standards by number CA.1.V.1.a - CA=Communication Arts, 1=first grade, V=Vocabulary and Word Analysis, 1=1<sup>st</sup> benchmark (standard sub area) a=skill (standard sub skill)

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#### Resources

Diocese of Green Bay 2006 Standards and Benchmarks Archdiocese of Denver 2013 Standards and Benchmarks - http://archden.org/schools/office-catholic-schools/curricula/ National Council of Teachers of English – www.ncte.org Northwest Evaluation Association

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### Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis

Students apply a wide range of strategies to comprehend, interpret, evaluate, and appreciate texts. They draw on their prior experience, their interactions with other readers and writers, their knowledge of word meaning and of other texts, their word identification strategies and understanding textual features (e.g. sound-letter correspondence, sentence structure, context, graphics).

Literacy Development Kindergarten – Second Grade

Based on research, learning to read is affected by the foundation skills of phonological processing, print awareness, and oral language. Most children learn to read at around the age of six or seven. For children to develop healthy dispositions toward reading and literacy, experiences must engage children actively in the learning process. Kindergarten through second grade are critical years in language arts instruction as children acquire foundational skills and enjoyment of reading needed for later success in literacy and all areas of life.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words
<ul><li>a. recognize in sequence and name all upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet</li><li>b. demonstrate basic knowledge of letter-</li></ul>	a. know the spelling-sound correspondence for common consonant digraphs (e.g., ck, wr, tr, th, sh)	a. distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words (e.g., hop vs. hope)
sound correspondence by producing the primary or most frequent sound for each consonant	b. segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual phonemes (e.g., lap: /l/-/a/-/p// f/-/l/-/a/-/p/)	<ul> <li>know spelling sound correspondence for additional common vowel teams (e.g., loud, cow, look, loop, boy, boil)</li> </ul>
c. associate the long and short sounds of graphemes for the five major vowels	c. Add or subtract individual phonemes in simple, one-syllable words to make new words (e.g.,/at/ - /sat/ - / mat/ - /map/)	c. decode words with common prefixes and suffix- es (e.g., unhappy, carefully, goodness)
d. read at least 25 very high frequency words by sight (e.g., the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does)	d. Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final phonemes in spoken single-syllable	d. apply knowledge of spelling patterns and common word families
e. distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ (e.g., bat vs. sat, cat, vs. can, hit vs.	words. (e.g. fast, fast)  e. decode regularly spelled one-syllable words (e.g., lock, much, see, rain, slide, bake)	e. decode regularly spelled two-syllable words with long vowel sounds (e.g., surprise, remain, needle, baby)
hot)  f. add or subtract individual phonemes in simple,	f. know final –e (e.g. take, side) and common vowel team conventions (e.g., rain, day,	f. recognize and read grade appropriate irregularly spelled words (e.g., thought, eyes,

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one-syllable words to make new words (e.g.
/at/-/sat/-/mat/-/map/

- a. isolate individual letter sounds
- h. identify words with the same short vowel sound
- demonstrate phonemic awareness by isolating, blending and pronouncing the initial, medial vowel and final phonemes (sounds) in threephoneme (CVC) words *This does not include* CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or/x.
- j. blend and segment consonants and rimes of spoken word (/g/-/oat/, /bl/-/ack/
- k. apply alphabetic principles through the first letter (3-4 words)

- week, seat, road, show) for representing long vowels
- g. use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word
- h. decode two syllable words following basic patterns (e.g., rabbits) by breaking the words into syllables
- i. aurally distinguish long from short vowel sounds in spoken single-syllable words. (e.g./tap/vs./tape/, /sock/vs./soak/, /sit/vs./sight/
- j. orally produce single-syllable words by blending phonemes, including consonant blends (e.g./cats/, /black/blast/)
- k. read words with inflectional endings (e.g.,-s,-es, -ing, -er, -est)
- recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words (e.g., said, were, could, would, their, there, through, none, both)
- m. read at least 100 high frequency words by sight
- n. associate the various families of blends with the sounds they represent (e.g., R-S-L)
- o. associate the sound of "Y" when it is used as a vowel with either the long /e/ or long /i/
- p. know the sound correspondence for hard and soft/c/and/g/
- q. recognize contractions and associate the two words that make up the contraction

busy, ocean, island, people)

- g. decode words with /r/ controlled vowels
- h. identify antonyms, synonyms, homophones and homonyms
- i. recognize and read correctly-formed contractions
- j. read at least 200 high frequency words by sight

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- 2. Understand word relationships and phonological awareness
  - a. demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and phonemes
  - b. build real-life connections between words and their use. (e.g., note places in school that are colorful)
  - c. identify and match upper and lower case letters.
  - d. choose the word with the same initial consonant sound or blend as a given word.
  - e. count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words
  - f. Identify words using the same ending consonant sound or blend as a given word
  - g. distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., walk, march, strut, prance) by acting out the meanings
  - h. demonstrate understanding of common nouns and adjectives that mean the same thing as a given word. (synonyms) (e.g. couch, sofa/happy, cheerful, joyful)
  - i. use common adjectives to distinguish objects (e.g. the small, blue square; the shy, white rabbit)
  - j. demonstrate understanding of common nouns, verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms) (e.g. hot/cold, sit/stand, up/down)
  - k. demonstrate understanding of common homonyms (e.g. to, two)
  - I. choose among alternate meanings for common

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  - b. build real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note a place at home that is cozy)
  - c. distinguish shades of meaning among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, glance, stare, glare, scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g., large, gigantic) by defining, choosing, or acting out the meanings
  - d. identify and use common homonyms and synonyms

- Understand word relationships and phonological awareness
  - a. build real-life connections between words and their use (e.g. describe foods that are spicy or juicy)
  - b. distinguish shades of meaning among related verbs (e.g., toss, throw, hurl) and related adjectives (e.g., thin, slender, skinny, scrawny)
  - c. identify and use common homonyms and synonyms

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homographs in a sentence based on the context given in the sentence. (e.g. club, hand, bat, wind)  m. use semantics to complete a sentence by choosing the noun, verb, adjective that best fits the context of the sentence  n. infer the general meaning of a noun, verb, nonsense word based on the real life/familiar context given in a sentence  o. identify words that fit into a given word family p. recite and produce a rhyming words		
<ul> <li>3. Determine word meanings (based on kindergarten reading)</li> <li>a. sort common objects into categories (e.g. shapes, food)</li> <li>b. identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accordingly (e.g., knowing duck as a bird and learning the verb to duck)</li> <li>c. identifies the correct base or root word to determine the meaning of a word</li> <li>d. use the most common affixes in English (e.g., ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less,) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word</li> <li>e. determine the meaning of a given compound word</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3. Determine word meanings (based on first grade reading)</li> <li>a. sort words into categories (e.g., colors, clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.</li> <li>b. use sentence-level context as a clue to meaning of an unknown word</li> <li>c. use common affixes in English as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word</li> <li>d. define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., duck is a bird that swims, a tiger is a large cat with stripes)</li> <li>e. demonstrate understanding of the concept of multiple-meaning words (e.g. match, kind, play) by identifying meanings of some gradeappropriate examples of such words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as understanding how the word is used in a sentence; analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and meaningful parts; and consulting glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital</li> <li>b. explain the meaning of grade-appropriate compound words (e.g., birdhouse, lighthouse, bookshelf)</li> <li>c. use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., addition, additional)</li> <li>d. determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known prefix is added to a known word (happy/unhappy)</li> <li>e. recognize common abbreviations</li> </ul>

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#### Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis K-2

Use newly learned words acquired through conversations, reading and responding to texts	Use newly learned words acquired through conversations, reading and responding to texts	Use newly learned words acquired through conversations, reading and responding to texts
a. use new vocabulary in discussion and daily application	<ul> <li>a. use new vocabulary in discussion and daily application</li> </ul>	a. use new vocabulary in discussion and daily application

# Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis

Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
<ol> <li>Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in spelling decoding words</li> <li>a. identify and spell words with the same control-r sound (or, ur, ir)</li> <li>b. uses rules of syllabic division</li> <li>divide words containing a consonant plus le into syllables</li> <li>divide words containing multiple adjacent consonants into syllables (e.g., supper, chimpanzee, refrigerator, terrible, frightening)</li> <li>divide words that follow the VCV rule for short vowels into syllables</li> <li>divide words containing the suffix able or ible into syllables</li> <li>c. identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes (un-, re-, mis-, -ful, -less, -able)</li> <li>d. decode words with common suffixes (-tion/sion, -ture, - tive/sive, -ify, -ity, - ment)</li> <li>e. read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words (e.g., although, science, stomach, machine)</li> <li>f. decode words with common roots (e.g., object/reject, propel/repel)</li> <li>g. identifies irregular plurals (goose/geese, mouse/mice, tooth/teeth)</li> <li>h. form the plural of nouns ending in f (e.g., calf, half, belief)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in spelling and decoding words</li> <li>a. correctly spell root words, inflections, words with more than one acceptable spelling, suffixes, prefixes and syllables</li> <li>b. correctly spell grade level sight words</li> <li>c. understand and use "spell check" in a word processing program</li> <li>d. apply rules of syllabic division</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in spelling and decoding words</li> <li>a. correctly spell root words, prefixes, suffixes, contractions and syllable constructions</li> <li>b. correctly spell grade level sight words</li> <li>c. applies spelling rules for pluralization of words</li> <li>d. utilize "spell check" in a word processing program</li> </ol>

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- 2. Understand word relationships
  - a. build real-life connections between words and their use. (e.g., describe people that are helpful or friendly)
  - distinguish among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspect, heard, wondered)
- Determine meanings of general academic language and domain-specific words (based on third grade reading, topic or content area)
  - a. determine the meaning of a word from information provided by the context of a passage
  - b. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as understanding how the word is used in a sentence; analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and meaningful parts; and consulting a glossary, thesaurus, dictionary, both print and digital
  - c. use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion)
  - d. determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (agreeable/disagreeable, heat/preheat)
  - e. distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g. take steps)
  - f. locate a word in a passage that best fits a given definition
  - g. recognize multiple meanings of homographs

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  - a. build real-life connections between words and their various uses and meanings.
  - b. define relationships between words (e.g., how ask is like and unlike demand).
  - c. distinguish a word from other words with similar but not identical meanings (synonyms)
  - Determine meanings of general academic language and domainspecific words (based on fourth grade reading, topic or content area)
  - a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as using, semantic clues (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text); using syntactic clues (e.g., the word's position of function in a sentence); analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and meaningful parts; and consulting reference materials, both print and digital
  - b. use known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., telegraph, photograph, autograph)
  - c. use etymologies of words (Latin and Greek) to understand word meaning
  - d. explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors (e.g. pretty as a picture).
  - e. paraphrase common idioms, adages, and proverbs
  - f. explain and create analogies
  - g. apply dictionary and thesaurus skills to find meaning, pronunciation, related words and

- 2. Understand word relationships
  - a. build real-life connections between words and their various uses and meanings
  - b. define relationships between words (e.g., how smirk is like and unlike smile)
  - c. distinguish a word from other words with similar but not identical meanings. (synonyms)
  - Determine meanings of general academic language and domainspecific words (based on fifth grade reading)
  - a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as understanding how the word is used in a sentence; analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and meaningful parts; and consulting reference materials, both print and digital
  - b. use a known word as a clue to meaning of an unknown word with the same root (photograph, photosynthesis)
  - c. interpret figurative language, including similes and metaphors
  - d. explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs
  - e. create and uses analogies to understand the meaning of words
  - f. analyze the meaning of complex words by decomposing the word into understandable parts using the etymology of words (Latin and Greek\_ (prefix/root/suffix) transubstantiation – Latin [trans] across or through [substantia] substance

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<ul> <li>h. infer the meaning of a word (noun, verb, adjective) using context clues and selects a synonym for this word</li> <li>i. define antonym</li> <li>j. classify words based on stated characteristics in informational texts</li> <li>k. identify and explain analogies</li> <li>l. apply dictionary skills to decode, pronounce and extend meaning of words</li> </ul>	ideas and extend the meaning of words	g. apply dictionary and thesaurus skills to find meaning, pronunciation, related words and ideas and extend the meaning of words
4. Use words that are in common, conversational vocabulary as well as grade-appropriate academic vocabulary and domain-specific words (in English language arts, history/ social studies and science) taught directly and acquired through reading and responding to texts	Use grade appropriate general academic     vocabulary and domain specific words and     phrases taught directly and acquired through     reading and responding to text	Use grade appropriate general academic     vocabulary and domain specific words and     phrases taught directly and acquired through     reading and responding to text

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# Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis

Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
Determine word meaning (based on grade six reading)	Determine word meanings (based on grade seven reading)	Determine word meanings (based on grade eight reading)
a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as understanding how the word is used in a sentence, analyzing the word's sound, spelling, and meaningful parts; consulting glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital	a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use if one or more strategies, such as understanding how the word is used in a sentence; analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and meaningful parts; and consulting glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital	a. determine or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words through the use of one or more strategies, such as using, semantic clues (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text); using syntactic clues (e.g., the word's position of function in a sentence); analyzing the word's sounds, spelling, and
b. use known prefixes, root words, and suffixes as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., audience, auditory, audible)	b. use known prefixes, root words, and suffixes as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., belligerent, bellicose, rebel)	meaningful parts; and consulting reference materials, both print and digital  b. use known prefixes, root words, and
c. verify the preliminary determination of a word's meaning (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or looking up a word in the dictionary)	c. verify the preliminary determination of a word's meaning (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or looking up a word in the dictionary)	suffixes as a clue to meaning of an unknown word with the same root (precede, recede, secede)  c. verify the preliminary determination of
d. interpret various figures of speech (e.g., personification) relevant to particular texts	d. interpret various figures of speech (e.g., allegory) relevant to particular texts	a word's meaning (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or looking up a word in the dictionary)
e. use the etymologies of words to understand the origins and meanings of frequently used	e. apply the etymologies of frequently used foreign words in English speaking and writing	d. interpret various figures of speech (e.g., verbal irony, puns) relevant to particular texts
English and foreign words in speaking and writing		e. understand the influence the etymology of words has on meaning and vocabulary expansion

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#### Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis 6-8

2. Understand word relationships	2. Understand word relationships.	Understand word relationships.
<ul> <li>a. trace the network of uses and meaning that different words have and the interrelationships among the meanings and uses</li> <li>b. distinguish a word from other words with similar denotations but different connotations</li> <li>c. identify analogies: word and synonym, word and antonym, part and whole</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. trace the network of uses and meaning that different words have and the interrelationships among the meanings and uses</li> <li>b. distinguish a word from other words with similar denotations but different connotations</li> <li>c. identify analogies: word and synonym, word and antonym, part and whole</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. trace the network of uses and meaning that different words have and the interrelationships among the meanings and uses</li> <li>b. distinguish a word from other words with similar denotations but different connotations</li> <li>c. identify analogies: word and synonym, word and antonym, part and whole</li> </ul>
3. Interpret figurative and connotative meanings of words and phrases as they are used in text.  a. identify and interpret idioms, metaphors, similes, personification, alliteration, onomatopoeia, hyperbole and sensory language	3. Interpret the figurative and connotative meanings of words and phrases as they are used in a text.  a. describe, in detail, a specific word choice and its impact on meaning and tone.  b. apply idioms, analogies, similes, metaphors, alliteration, hyperbole, onomatopoeia, and personification	3. Explain the comparison an author makes through metaphors, allusions, or analogies in a text and analyze how those comparisons contribute to a meaning.  a. analyze idioms and comparisons

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# Reading Literature and Informational Texts - Craft and Structure

Students apply knowledge of language structure, language conventions (e.g., spelling and punctuation), media techniques, figurative language, and genre to create, critique, and discuss print and non-print texts.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Ask questions about unknown words in a text	1. Ask questions about unknown words in a text	Ask questions about unknown words in a text
<ul> <li>Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print</li> <li>a. identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book, table of contents, glossary, and diagrams</li> <li>b. follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page to page</li> <li>c. understand that words are separated by spaces in print</li> <li>d. recognize in sequence and name all upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print</li> <li>a. locate the parts of a book including: title page, table of contents, author, illustrator, and glossary</li> <li>b. identify distinguishing features of text (i.e. labels, captions, diagrams, illustrations)</li> <li>c. recognize that the dictionary is organized in alphabetical order</li> <li>d. demonstrate alphabetical order by locating words in the dictionary or glossary</li> </ul>	Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print     a. find information in informational text using different parts of that book (glossary, graphs, table of contents)     b. demonstrate alphabetical sequencing by locating words in the dictionary or glossary
Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses	Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses	Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses
4. Recognize common genres of texts (e.g. storybooks, bible stories, poems, fiction, nonfiction)  a. distinguish between fiction and nonfiction.	4. Recognize common genres of texts (e.g. storybooks, bible stories, poems, fiction, nonfiction)  a. distinguish between fiction and nonfiction  b. understand the difference between narrative stories and poems	4. Recognize common genres of texts (e.g. storybooks, bible stories poems, fiction, nonfiction)  a. refer to core elements of stories, plays, parables, and myths, including characters, settings, and plots, when writing or speaking about specific text

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#### Reading Literature and Informational Texts – Craft and Structure (RS)

5. Understand features of a book  a . locate the title, author and illustrator of a text  and define the role of each	Understand features of a book     a. locate the title, author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each     b. use title page, table of contents, to locate information     c. become familiar with guide words	Understand features of a book     a. use title page, table of contents, chapter     headings, guide words, key words, glossary,     index and copyright page to locate information
Classify objects according to use and categories     a. describe how objects are grouped into general categories (e.g., desk, chair, sofa: furniture)	Classify objects and words according to use and categories     a. describe how objects and words are grouped into general categories (e.g., desk, chair, sofa: furniture, short vowel, long vowel)	Classify objects and words according to use and categories     a. describe how objects are grouped into general categories ((e.g., desk, chair, sofa: furniture, short vowel, long vowel)
7. Classify words based on stated characteristics in informational texts  a. describe how a text groups information into general categories (e.g., cows, pigs, and horses are farm animals)	7. Classify words based on stated characteristics in informational texts  a. describe how a text groups information into general categories (e.g., cows, pigs, and horses are farm animals)	7. Classify words based on stated characteristics in informational texts  a. describe how a text groups information into general categories (e.g., cows, pigs, and horses are farm animals)
8. Identify who is speaking at various points in a text	8. Identify who is speaking at various points in a text a. Identify the main characters in a story	8. Identify who is speaking at various points in a text  a. identify the main characters in a story and their role
9. Know and use various text features  a. Use table of contents to locate information	9. Know and use various text features  a. Use table of contents, captions, headings, glossary, index to locate key facts or information	9. Know and use various text features  a. use table of contents, captions, headings, glossary, index, electronic menus, icons to locate key facts or information

# Reading Literature and Informational Texts - Craft and Structure

Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
Interpret key words and phrases in text,     distinguishing literal from figurative language	Understand words and phrases in text that allude to significant characters found in mythology (e.g. Herculean) drawing on a wide reading of myths from a variety of cultures	Identify how metaphors and similes, as well as rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (alliteration) supply meaning and rhythm in a specific verse or stanza of a poem
Demonstrate understanding o of common features of legends, myths, folk tales and fairy tales     a. identify heroes and villains; quests or challenges when writing or speaking about classic stories from around the world	Explain major differences between poetry and prose     a. reference structural elements of poetry (e.g. stanza, verse, rhythm, meter) when speaking about poems (See CA.4.RS.5.b)	Explain major difference between drama and prose      a. reference structural elements of drama (e.g., cast of characters, setting descriptions, dialogue, stage directions, acts, scenes) when writing or speaking about specific works of dramatic literature
Distinguish between various types of literary genre     a. distinguish between fiction and non-fiction     b. identify various genre (e.g. nursery rhyme, fantasy, folk tale, fable, parable, poem)     c. distinguish personal point of view from that of characters in the text     d. differentiate between fact and opinion     e. identify who is speaking at various points in a text	<ul> <li>a. Understand the elements of fiction and nonfiction</li> <li>b. identify various genre (e.g., fairytales, folktales, poems, historical fiction, narratives, biography, non-fiction, Psalms, Gospels, Biblical stories – parables)</li> <li>c. compare the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first and third person narratives</li> <li>d. differentiate between fact and opinion</li> <li>e. identify in what person the text is written</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3. Distinguish between various types of literary genre</li> <li>a. recognizes features of various genre (e.g., fairytales, folktales, poems, historical fiction, narratives, biography, non-fiction, Psalms, Gospels, Biblical stories – parables)</li> <li>b. interpret how a narrator's point of view influences how events are described</li> <li>c. describe the mood of selected literature or poetry</li> <li>d. describe how events, ideas, or information are organized (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause and effect) in a whole text or part of a text</li> </ul>

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Use text features (e.g., bold print, key words, topic sentences, hyperlinks, electronic menus, icons, illustrations) to locate information quickly and efficiently	Use text features and search tools to locate and process information relevant to a given topic	Use text features and search tools to locate and process information relevant to a given topic
5. Distinguish major categories of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)  a. refer to core elements of stories, plays, and myths, including characters, settings, and plots, when writing or speaking about specific text  b. recognize structure of poetry within a veriety.	5. Distinguish major categories of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)  a. explain how author's purpose for writing influences the contents of the selection (e.g., inform, entertain, persuade)  b. distinguish the structure of poetry within a variety of poetic forms (e.g., agreetic	Distinguish major categories of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)     a. explain how author's purpose for writing influences the contents of the selection (e.g., inform, entertain, persuade)
<ul> <li>recognize structure of poetry within a variety of poetic forms (e.g., acrostic, couplets, cinquain, free verse, concrete)</li> </ul>	a variety of poetic forms (e.g., acrostic, couplets, cinquain, free verse, concrete)	

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# Reading Literature and Informational Texts - Craft and Structure

Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
Utilize the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information	Utilize the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information	Utilize the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information
a. Identify the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information	<ul> <li>Understand and analyze the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information</li> </ul>	Compare and contrast the structural features of media and use the features to obtain information
2. Distinguish major categories and features of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)  a. identify different types of fiction and describe the major characteristics of each form  b. refer to core elements of stories, plays, and myths, including characters, settings, and plots, when writing or speaking about specific text  c. recognize structure of poetry within a variety of poetic forms (e.g., acrostic, couplets, cinquain, free verse, concrete)  d. compare and contrast literal and figurative meaning of a poem  e. explore literature from diverse cultural backgrounds	<ul> <li>Distinguish major categories and features of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)         <ul> <li>a. discuss the purposes and characteristics of different forms of written text, such as short story, novel, novella and essay</li> <li>b. explain how author's purpose for writing influences the contents of the selection (e.g., inform, entertain, persuade)</li> <li>c. explore literature from diverse cultural backgrounds</li> <li>d. analyze how structure impacts the meaning of a poem</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2. Distinguish major categories and features of literary genre (e.g. stories from poems, fiction from non-fiction)  a. determine and articulate the relationship between the purposes and characteristics of different forms of poetry  b. explain how author's purpose for writing influences the contents of the selection (e.g., inform, entertain, persuade)  c. explain how a difference in the perspective or knowledge of characters and audience (e.g. created through the device or dramatic irony) produces suspense or humor  d. compare and contrast literature from diverse cultural backgrounds
Describe the structures an author uses to organize specific text     a. Identify how text structure affects meaning, including chronological order, order of importance and special order	Describe the structure an author uses to organize specific text     a. Identify how text structure affects meaning, including chronological order, order of importance and special order	Describe the structure an author uses to organize specific text     a. analyze how text structure affects meaning, including chronological order, order of importance and special order

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<ul> <li>b. compare and contrast organizational patterns of texts</li> <li>c. explain the effect of flashback and foreshadowing on the development of the plot and meaning of the text</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. explain how a sentence, chapter, scene or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the plot or themes</li> <li>c. describe how any given sentence, paragraph, section or chapter fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of ideas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. compare poetry with conventional structure, such as a free verse poem</li> <li>c. analyze, in detail, the structure of a specific paragraph of text, including the role of particular sentences in developing and refining a key concept</li> </ul>
4. Determine point of view and cultural context on	4. Determine point of view and cultural context on	4. Determine point of view and cultural context on
which media is portrayed	which media is portrayed	which media is portrayed
a. identify the speaker and recognize the difference between first –person and third-person narration	a. identify and trace the development of an author's argument, point of view or perspective	<ul> <li>identify how a narrator's point of view influences how events are described</li> </ul>
b. describe how an author establishes the point of view of the speaker or a character in a poem, drama or story	b. identify how the author presents the points of view of different characters, including their different reactions to the	b. compare and contrast the cultural context of a text with another similar text.
c. <b>identify how the author's choice of</b> words, examples, and reasons are used to persuade the reader	c. determine how the author's point of view influences the cultural context of a text	<ul> <li>c. compare the point of from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first and third person narrations</li> </ul>
d. Identify how an author's point of view influences the cultural context of a text	d. compare the point of from which different stories are narrated, including	
e. distinguish personal point of view from that of the characters or author.	the difference between first and third person narrations	
Analyze nonfiction and informational text	5. Analyze nonfiction and informational text	5. Analyze the structure, format and purpose of
a. follow multiple-step instructions	a. draw conclusions, make reasonable	informational materials
b. make reasonable statements, conclusions inferences, or predictions about a text, supporting them with evidence from the text.	statements, inferences, and predictions about a text, supporting the conclusions, statements with evidence from the text  b. connect and clarify main ideas by	<ul> <li>a. draw conclusions, make reasonable statements and inferences a text, supporting them with accurate examples</li> </ul>
c. connect and clarify main ideas by identifying their relationships to multiple sources and related topics	identifying their relationships to multiple sources and related topics  c. clarify an understanding of texts by	<ul> <li>b. compare the original text to a summary to determine whether the summary accurately describes the main ideas,</li> </ul>

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d. clarify an understanding of texts by creating outlines, notes, diagrams,	creating outlines, notes, diagrams, summaries, or reports	includes important details and conveys the underlying meaning
summaries, or reports		<ul> <li>c. synthesize understanding of texts by creating outlines, notes, diagrams, summaries, or reports</li> </ul>
		d. use information from a variety of documents (Vatican, consumer, primary documents) to explain a situation or decision and to solve a problem
6. Expository critique - Assess evidence of nonfiction and informational literature	6. Expository critique - Assess evidence of nonfiction and informational literature	6Expository critique - Assess evidence of nonfiction and informational text d. identify and explain instances of
determine the appropriateness of the evidence presented for an author's conclusions and evaluate whether the author adequately supports inferences	assess the adequacy, accuracy, and     appropriateness of the author's evidence     to support claims and assertions, noting     instances of bias and stereotyping	persuasion, propaganda, and faulty reasoning in nonfictional text, such as unsupported or invalid premises or inferences and conclusions that do not follow the premise

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## Reading Literature and Informational Text - Comprehension, Response, and Analysis

Students read a wide range of print and non-print texts to build an understanding of texts, of themselves, and of the cultures of the United States and the world; to acquire new information; to respond to the needs and demands of society and the workplace; and for personal fulfillment. Among these texts are fiction and nonfiction, classic and contemporary works, and literature from many periods.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Use picture clues, word chunks, word patterns, structural clues and context clues to understand text	Use picture clues, word chunks, word patterns, structural clues and context clues to understand text	Explain how images and illustrations contribute to and clarify a story or informational text
a. relate pictures or illustrations to the overall story or text in which they appear	a. use pictures, illustrations, text and detail in a story to describe characters, events or settings	a. use pictures, illustrations, text and detail in a story to describe characters, events or settings
b. apply word chunks, word patterns, structural clues and context clues to decoding skills	b. use pictures, illustrations, text and detail in a text to describe the main idea	b. use pictures, illustrations, text and detail in a text to describe the main idea
c. sequence and retell events/parts of a story	c. sequence and retell events/parts of a story	c. sequence and retell events/parts of a story
Use context to understand word and sentence meaning     a. use context to understand word and sentence meaning after listening to or reading text     b. begin to use context to understand word and sentence meaning	Use context to understand word and sentence meaning     a. use context to understand word and sentence meaning after listening to or reading text     b. begin to use context to understand word and sentence meaning	Use context to understand word and sentence meaning     a. use context to understand word and sentence meaning after listening to or reading text     b. begin to use context to understand word and sentence meaning
Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature     a. analyze the purpose of everyday print materials.     b. determine the author's purpose (e.g. entertain, inform)	3. Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature  a. determine the author's purpose for writing  b. choose age and ability appropriate material for a variety of reading purposes ("just right")	Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature     a. determine the author's purpose for writing     b. choose age and ability appropriate material for a variety of reading

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	c. select books related to class themes for a variety of reading purposes	books, I P.I.C.K – Daily 5)	purposes ("just right" books, I P.I.C.K – Daily 5)
	<ul> <li>d. choose age and ability appropriate material for a variety of reading purposes</li> </ul>		
4.	Compare and contrast the adventures of characters in familiar stories. (With prompting and support)	Compare and contrast the adventures of characters in familiar stories.	<ol> <li>Compare and contrast the adventures of characters in familiar stories.</li> </ol>
5.	Recognize basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations or descriptions) (With prompting and support)	Recognize basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations or descriptions)     a. compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories, Gospel stories) by different authors or from different cultures. (text to text connection)	Recognize basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic     a. compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories, Gospel stories) by different authors or from different cultures. (text to text connection)
6.	Read to and with others	6. Read to and with others	6. Read to and with others
7.	understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text  a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses  b. discuss a book or story read aloud  c. identify key words to draw conclusions  d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next  e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details  f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific	<ul> <li>7. Communicate thoughts, feelings, judgments, understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text</li> <li>a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses</li> <li>b. discuss a book or story read aloud</li> <li>c. identify key words to draw conclusions</li> <li>d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next</li> <li>e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details</li> <li>f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>7. Communicate thoughts, feelings, judgments, understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text</li> <li>a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses</li> <li>b. discuss a book or story read aloud</li> <li>c. identify key words to draw conclusions</li> <li>d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next</li> <li>e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details</li> <li>f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific</li> </ul>
	g. draw a picture to depict sequence after listening to or reading a text	effect occurred based on context  g. draw a picture to depict sequence after listening to or reading a story	effect occurred based on context

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h. identify and summarize/retell important parts of a story in the correct order     i. identify the characters and setting	h. compare and contrast personal knowledge and experience with events or characters within a story or text (text to self-connection)	
8. With support, distinguish between various types of literary genre a. distinguish between fiction and non-fiction b. identify various genre (e.g. nursery rhyme, fantasy, folk tale, fable, parable, poem)	8. Distinguish between various types of literary genre a. identify various genre (e.g., fairytales, folktales, poems, historical fiction, narratives, biography, non-fiction, Psalms, Gospels, Biblical stories - parables	8. Distinguish between various types of literary genre (e.g., fairytale, poem, historical fiction, narratives, biography, non-fiction, Psalms, Gospels, Biblical stories, parables, folktales)  a. recognizes features of various genre
Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension	Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension
a. reads using decoding strategies	a. read on-level text with purpose and understanding	a. read on-level text with purpose and understand
<ul> <li>read emergent or on-level texts with purpose and understanding.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings</li> </ul>
c. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding	c. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, reading as necessary	c. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, reading as necessary
10.	Read signs and symbols used across curriculum content areas (e.g., maps, temperature, and charts)	Use signs and symbols used across curriculum content areas (e.g., maps, temperature, and charts)
11.	11. Interpret written directions for grade level materials     a. read and follow written directions for grade level materials	11. Interpret written directions for grade level materials     a. read and follow written directions for grade level materials
12. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.	12. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.	12. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.

Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
<ol> <li>Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, explicitly using the text as the basis for the answer</li> <li>locate information in complex literary passages and informational text</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, explicitly using the text as the basis for the answer</li> <li>draw on details and examples from a text to support statements about the text</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, explicitly using the text as the basis for the answer.</li> <li>quote from a text to support statements about the text</li> </ol>
Use information from illustrations, print features and other visual elements to develop an understanding of the text	Use information from illustrations, print features and other visual elements to develop an understanding of the text	Use information from illustrations, print features and other visual elements to develop an understanding of the text
<ul> <li>a. integrate information from illustrations and other visual elements (e.g., maps, graphs, photographs) as an aid to understanding where, when, why and how key events occur</li> <li>b. use information from visual elements to develop an understanding of setting, character and plot</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. integrate information from several illustrations, print features and other visual elements to develop understanding of how the setting and characters change and the plot develops</li> <li>b. interpret factual information presented graphically or visually (e.g., charts, diagrams, timelines, animations and interactive elements) to explain how the information contributes to understanding text</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. explain how images, sounds and movements contribute to an animated or live-action adaptation of a story, comparing that version to what is "seen" or "heard" from reading the text.</li> <li>b. draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question or to solve a problem efficiently</li> </ul>
Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details	Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details	Determine two or more main ideas and how they are supported by details; summarize text
Use key supporting details in stories, fables, folktales, biblical stories or myths from diverse cultures to determine the lessons or morals	4. Use key supporting details and evidence in stories, fables, folktales, biblical stories, myths from diverse cultures or non-fiction to determine the theme of a text, lessons or morals  a. summarize a text to derive a theme of a story, drama, or poem from the details of the text	4. Use key supporting details and evidence in stories, fables, folktales, biblical stories, myths from diverse cultures or non-fiction to determine the theme of a text, lessons and morals  a. determine a theme of a text, drawing on how characters in a story respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a

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		b. distinguish between significant and insignificant details in text	topic; summarize the text  b. explain how an author uses evidence to support his or her claims in a text, identifying what evidence supports which claim
5.	Describe the main characters in a story (e.g. their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how they contribute to the sequence of events	<ol> <li>Describe in detail a character, event, or setting, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., from a character's thoughts, words, deeds, interactions with others)</li> </ol>	5. Describe in detail a character, event, or setting, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., from a character's thoughts, words, deeds, interactions with others)  a. compare and contrast two or more characters, events, or settings in a text, drawing on specific details
6.	Describe the relationship between historical or scientific events or ideas in a text, using knowledge of connective devices that pertain to time, sequence, and cause and effect. (e.g., timelines)	Describe the sequence of events in an historical or scientific account, including what happened and why, based on specific information in a text	Explain the relationships between two or more historical events or scientific concepts by drawing on specific information from one or more texts
7.	Use a variety of reading strategies to achieve meaning while reading	Use a variety of reading strategies to achieve meaning while reading	Use a variety of reading strategies to achieve meaning while reading
	a. activate prior knowledge about the topic	a. activate prior knowledge about the topic	a. activate prior knowledge about the topic
	b. use predicting and confirming strategies to achieve meaning while reading.	<ul> <li>use predicting and confirming strategies to achieve meaning while reading.</li> </ul>	b. collaborate with others to construct meaning through participation in literature groups
	c. self-correct when miscues interfere with meaning	c. self-correct when miscues interfere with meaning	c. draw inferences from ideas and concepts presented in text
	d. draw inferences from ideas and concepts presented in text	<ul> <li>d. draw inferences from ideas and concepts presented in text</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>d. explain how author's purpose for writing influences the contents of the selection (e.g.,</li> </ul>
	e. identify who is speaking at various points in a text	e. explain how author's purpose for writing	inform, entertain, persuade)
	f. use context to understand word and sentence meaning	influences the contents of the selection (e.g., inform, entertain, persuade).	e. demonstrate the ability to relate new concepts to prior knowledge
	g. demonstrate the ability to relate new concepts to prior knowledge	f. use context to understand word and sentence meaning	
		g. demonstrate the ability to relate new concepts to prior knowledge	

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8. Communicate thoughts, feelings, judgments, understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text	Communicate thoughts, feelings, judgments, understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text	Communicate thoughts, feelings, judgments, understanding, personal experiences and attitudes, draw conclusions and make predictions after reading or listening to material of grade level text
a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems     that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses	a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses	<ul> <li>a. identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses</li> </ul>
b. discuss a book or story read aloud	b. discuss a book or story read aloud	b. discuss a book or story read aloud
c. identify key words to draw conclusions	c. identify key words to draw conclusions	c. identify key words to draw conclusions
d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next	d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next	<li>d. make predictions based on the title of the book or about what will happen next</li>
e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details	e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details	e. identify main idea, theme and supporting details
f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific effect occurred based on context	f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific effect occurred based on context	f. recognize cause and effect, explain why specific effect occurred based on context
g. draw a picture to depict sequence after listening to or reading a text	g. draw a picture to depict sequence after listening to or reading a story	g. describe the mood of selected literature or poetry
h. identify and summarize/retell important parts of a story in the correct order	h. compare and contrast personal knowledge and experience with events or characters within a	h. explain the author's use of vocabulary during group discussions
i. identify the characters and setting	story or text (text to self-connection)	
j. explain author's use of vocabulary during group discussions	<ul> <li>i. explain the author's use of vocabulary during group discussions</li> </ul>	
Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature	Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature	Identify a purpose for reading and appreciate various forms of literature
a. identify the purpose of everyday print materials		a. analyze the purpose of everyday print
b. determine the author's purpose (e.g. entertain, inform)	<ul><li>a. determine the author's purpose for writing</li><li>b. choose age and ability appropriate material for</li></ul>	materials. b. determine the author's purpose for writing
c. select books related to class themes for a variety of reading purposes	a variety of reading purposes ("just right" books, I P.I.C.K — Daily 5)	c. differentiate between fact and opinion
d. choose age and ability appropriate material for a variety of reading purposes	c. differentiate between fact and opinion	
e. differentiate between fact and opinion		

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<ul> <li>10. Recognize basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations or descriptions) (With prompting and support)</li> <li>a. compare and contrast personal experience and knowledge with events or characters in a story</li> <li>b. compare and contrast the adventures of characters in familiar stories (with support)</li> <li>c. compare and contrast information drawn from two texts on the same subject</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10. Recognize basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations or descriptions)</li> <li>a. compare and contrast personal experience and knowledge with events or characters in a story</li> <li>b. compare and contrast the adventures of characters in familiar stories.</li> <li>c. compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories) by different authors or from different cultures. (text to text connection)</li> <li>d. compare and contrast information drawn from two texts on the same subject</li> <li>e. describe how two or more texts on the same subject build on one another; provide a coherent picture of the information they convey.</li> </ul>	10. Recognize basic similarities and differences between two or more texts on the same topic  a. compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories) by different authors or from different cultures. (text to text connection)  b. integrate information from several texts on the same subject in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably
11. Read to and with others	11. Read to and with others	11. Read to and with others
Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	Read grade appropriate text with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
a. read using decoding strategies	<ul> <li>a. read on-level text with purpose and understanding</li> </ul>	a. read on-level text with purpose and understand
<ul><li>b. read on-level texts with purpose and understanding.</li><li>c. read on-level text orally with accuracy,</li></ul>	<ul> <li>b. read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.</li> </ul>	b. read on-level text orally with accuracy,     appropriate rate, and expression on     successive readings
appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.  d. use context to confirm or self-correct word	<ul> <li>c. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, reading as necessary</li> </ul>	c. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, reading as necessary
recognition and understanding, reading as necessary	d. read assigned and self-selected fiction and non- fiction texts	d. read assigned and self-selected fiction and non- fiction texts
e. use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding	e. read across genres (myths, folktale, legend, fairytale, fable, fantasy, science fiction,	e. read across genres (myths, folktale, legend, fairytale, fable, fantasy, science fiction,

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<ul> <li>f. use punctuation cues to add meaning to text</li> <li>g. read assigned and self-selected fiction and non-fiction texts</li> <li>h. read across genres (myths, folktale, legend, fairytale, fable, fantasy, science fiction, autobiography, news story, historical fiction, content area, and classical literature</li> <li>i. self-select appropriate reading material for independent reading</li> </ul>	autobiography, news story, mystery, contemporary fiction, historical fiction, content area, and classical literature  f. self-select appropriate reading material for independent reading	autobiography, news story, mystery, contemporary fiction, historical fiction, content area, and classical literature  f. self-select appropriate reading material for independent reading
13. Read signs and symbols used across curriculum content areas (e.g., maps, temperature, and charts).	13. Read signs and symbols used across curriculum content areas (e.g., maps, temperature, and charts).	13. Use signs and symbols used across curriculum content areas (e.g., maps, temperature, and charts).
14. Interpret written directions for grade level materials     a. read and follow written directions for grade level materials	14. Interpret written directions for grade level materials     a. read and follow written directions for grade level materials	Interpret written directions for grade level materials     a. read and follow written directions for grade level materials
15. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.	15. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.	15. Apply Catholic values and teachings in the evaluation of literary themes and plots.

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Identify a purpose for reading     a. Student will read a variety of texts and genres to build an interest in leisure, academic, and informational reading	Identify a purpose for reading     a. Student will read a variety of texts and genres to build an interest in leisure, academic, and informational reading	Identify a purpose for reading     a. Student will read a variety of texts and genres to build an interest in leisure, academic, and informational reading
Interpret text using background knowledge, literary elements and inferences	Interpret text using background knowledge, literary elements and inferences.	Interpret text using background knowledge, literary elements and inferences.
Apply Catholic values, virtues, Catholic Social Teachings in evaluation of literary themes and plots	Apply Catholic values, virtues, Catholic Social Teachings in evaluation of literary themes and plots	Apply Catholic values, virtues, Catholic Social     Teachings in evaluation of literary themes and plots
4. Describe how a story's plot unfolds as well as how characters adapt or change as they move toward a resolution  a. identify the conflict of the plot and explain how it is resolved  b. analyze how the traits of the characters and the elements of the setting affect and influence the plot	4. Describe how a story's plot unfolds (in a series of episodes or as a problem to be solved) as well as how characters adapt or change as they move toward a resolution  a. identify events that advance the plot and determine how each event explains past or present action or foreshadows future action  b. analyze how particular lines of dialogue or specific incidents in the story or drama reveal aspects of character, or provoke a decision	4. Describe how a story's plot unfolds (in a series of episodes or as a problem to be solved) as well as how characters adapt or change as they move toward a resolution  a. evaluate the structural elements of the plot such as subplots, parallel episodes, and climax; the plot's development; and the way in which conflicts are addressed and resolved.  b. analyze the relevance of setting and compare and contrast the motivations and reactions of literary characters from different historical eras.
5. Identify and analyze features and themes conveyed through characters, actions and images  a. analyze how a theme or central idea develops over the course of a text, drawing on key details	5. Identify and analyze features and themes conveyed through characters, actions and images  a. analyze how two or more themes or central ideas in a text relate to one another, drawing on key details	Identify and analyze features and themes conveyed through characters, actions and images     a. identify and analyze recurring themes that appear frequently across traditional and contemporary works

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Interpret figurative and connotative meanings of words and phrases, as they are used in text, to develop meaning and tone	Interpret figurative and connotative meanings of words and phrases, as they are used in text, to explain meaning     a. Identify and explain the effects of common literary devices such as symbolism, imagery, or metaphor in a variety of texts	6. Interpret figurative and connotative meanings of words and phrases, as they are used in text, to explain meaning  a. analyze significant literary devices, such as metaphor, symbolism, dialect or quotations, and irony, which define a writer's style and use those elements to interpret the work
7. Determine the causes or reasons that link different events, ideas, or information in a text, drawing on key details	7. Determine the causes or reasons that link different events, ideas, or information in a text, drawing on key details  a. describe in detail how an author introduces, illustrates, and elaborates a key idea in a text (e.g. through example or anecdotes)	7. Determine the causes or reasons that link different events, ideas, or information in a text, drawing on key details.  a. analyze how an author introduces, illustrates, and elaborates on two or more significant ideas in a text, including how the relationship between ideas is expressed
8. Evaluate, critique, and interpret a variety of literature from different eras, cultures and authors  a. critique the credibility of characters and the degree to which a plot is believable or realistic  b. compare and contrast the works of various authors	8. Evaluate, critique, and interpret a variety of literature from different eras and cultures and authors  a. compare reviews of literary works and determine what influences the reviewer  b. compare and contrast the works of various authors	8. Evaluate, critique, and interpret a variety of literature from different eras and cultures and authors  a. analyze a work of literature showing how it reflects the heritage, tradition, attitudes, and beliefs of the author  b. compare and contrast the works of various authors
9. Extend awareness of world cultures and historical perspectives through diverse texts, including first-person materials, accounts of historical events, documents and historical fiction.	<ol> <li>Extend awareness of world cultures and historical perspectives through diverse texts, including first-person materials, accounts of historical events, documents and historical fiction.</li> </ol>	9. Extend awareness of world cultures and historical perspectives through diverse texts, including first-person materials, accounts of historical events, documents and historical fiction.

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Compare and contrast the accounts of a subject in different mediums (e.g. person's life story told in print, video, or multimedia)      Analyze which details are emphasized and how the account unfolds in each version.	Compare and contrast the accounts of a subject in different <b>mediums (e.g. person's life story told</b> in print, video, or multimedia)      Analyze how the method of delivery affects the impact of the information being portrayed	10. Compare and contrast the accounts of a subject in different mediums (e.g. person's life story told in print, video, or multimedia)  a. Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums (e.g., text, multimedia, video) to present a particular topic
11. Distinguish among fact, opinion, propaganda, and reasoned judgment presented  a. Identify if a text or media, is fact, opinion, or propaganda	11. Distinguish among fact, opinion, propaganda, and reasoned judgment presented  a. Identify the stated and unstated premises of an argument and explain how they contribute to the conclusion reached	Distinguish among fact, opinion, propaganda, and reasoned judgment presented      a. Evaluate an argument's claim and reasoning as well as the degree to which evidence supports each claim.
Assess the similarities and differences between two or more texts on the same subject.      Apply the knowledge gained from two texts to inform the reading additional texts	Assess the similarities and differences between two or more texts on the same subject.      Analyze where two or more texts provide conflicting information on the same subject and determine whether the texts disagree on matters of fact or on matters of interpretation of those facts	Assess the similarities and differences between two or more texts on the same subject.      Compare and contrast how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different interpretations of facts.
13. Expand the use of reference materials for gathering information and develop rubric for evaluating validity of sources from web sources.	13. Expand the use of reference materials for gathering information and develop rubric for evaluating validity of sources from web sources.	Expand the use of reference materials for gathering information and develop rubric for evaluating validity of sources from web sources.
14. Self-select appropriate texts for research and personal reading	Self-select appropriate texts for research and personal reading	Self-select appropriate texts for research and personal reading

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# Writing – Processes and Features

Students employ a wide range of strategies as they write and use different writing process elements appropriately to communicate with different audiences for a variety of purposes.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
<ol> <li>Use coordinated eye-hand movement</li> <li>a. work from left to right, top to bottom</li> <li>b. mark answers (underline, draw a line across, mark with X)</li> <li>c. locate pages</li> <li>d. hold pencil, marker or crayon correctly.</li> <li>e. fold paper</li> <li>f. complete puzzle</li> <li>g. cut along dotted lines</li> <li>h. trace around a template</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Use the conventions of print such as the following in purposeful writing activities</li> <li>a. work from left to write, top to bottom.</li> <li>b. correct manuscript letter formation and maintain correct handwriting position.</li> <li>c. directionality</li> <li>d. spacing</li> <li>e. upper and lower case letters</li> <li>f. ending punctuation.</li> <li>g. mark answers (underline, draw a line across).</li> <li>h. use of commas, apostrophes, and question</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Use the conventions of print such as the following in purposeful writing activities</li> <li>a. spacing between words and sentences</li> <li>b. ending punctuation (e.g., period, question mark, exclamation point)</li> <li>c. use of commas, apostrophes, and quotation marks</li> </ol>
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the organization and basic features and conventions of print  a. understand that print conveys meaning  b. increase use of correct letter formation  c. write first and last name using upper and lower case letters  d. use uppercase letters in the beginning of names and sentences  e. demonstrate left to right, top to bottom progression	marks  2. Demonstrate an understanding of the organization and basic features and conventions of print  a. understand that print conveys meaning  b. increase use of correct letter formation  c. write first and last name using upper and lower case letters  d. use uppercase letters in the beginning of names and sentences.  e. demonstrate proper spacing between letters and words	Demonstrate an understanding of the organization and basic features and conventions of print

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f.	demonstrate proper spacing between letters and words	f. print all capital letters and lower case letter of the alphabet	f. recognize the months of the year, days of the week and proper names of places require capitalization
g.	print all capital letters and lower case letter of the alphabet	g. demonstrate letter/sound correspondence through writing	g. identify parts of a sentence (capital letter at the beginning, punctuation at the end)
h	demonstrate letter/sound correspondence through writing	h. recognize the pronoun "I" should be capitalized	h. write complete sentences
i.	recognize the pronoun "I" should be capitalized	<ul> <li>recognize the months of the year and days of the week require capitalization</li> </ul>	i. spell independently using an understanding of the sounds of the
j.	recognize the months of the year and days of the week require capitalization	<ul> <li>j. recognize parts of a sentence (capital letter at the beginning, punctuation at the end)</li> </ul>	alphabet and knowledge of letter names
k.	recognize parts of a sentence (capital letter at the beginning, punctuation at the end)	k. begin to write complete sentences	j. distinguish among punctuation marks that can be used to end a sentence (period, question mark, exclamation
I.	begin to write complete sentences	<ol> <li>spell independently using an understanding of the sounds of the alphabet and knowledge of letter names</li> </ol>	point)
m	spell independently using an understanding of the sounds of the alphabet and knowledge of letter names	m. distinguish among punctuation marks that can be used to end a sentence (period, question	
n	distinguish among punctuation marks that can be used to end a sentence (period, question mark, exclamation point)	mark, exclamation point)	
	nderstand that writing is used to communicate write using pictures, letters, and words	Use symbols and drawings to convey information     a. write using letters, and words	Use symbols and drawings to convey information     a. write using letters, and words
b	discuss ideas to include in a story	b. discuss ideas to include in a story	b. discuss and map ideas to include in a story
C.	tell a story that the teacher or other person will write	c. tell a story that the teacher or other person will write	c. write a story with a beginning, details and end (3-5 sentences)
r	se a combination of drawing, dictating, and riting to compose opinions in which they tell a eader the name of a book or the topic they are writing" about and give an opinion about the	<ol> <li>Write opinions in which the topic or book is introduced, state an opinion, and provide a reason for the opinion</li> </ol>	Write opinions in which the topic or the book is introduced, state an opinion, provide reasons and details to support the opinion and provide a sense of closure
	opic (e.g., My favorite book <b>is)</b>	<ul> <li>use words to link opinions and reasons (e.g., because, and, also, therefore)</li> </ul>	a. use words to link opinions and reasons (e.g., because, and, also, therefore)

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	nation about the topic animal isI like this	<ul> <li>Write informative and explanatory texts in which the topic is named, supply some facts relevant to the topic, and provide some sense of closure</li> <li>a. name the topic</li> <li>b. write or draw information about the topic (e.g., My favorite animal isI like this animal because it)</li> </ul>	5. Write informative and explanatory texts in which the topic is named, supply some facts relevant to the topic, and provide some sense of closure  a. name the topic  b. use a graphic organizer  c. write information (2-3 sentences) about the topic (e.g., My favorite animal isI like this animal because it)  d. write a closing summary statement
6. Use a combination of drawi writing to narrate a single e linked events, tell about the that they occurred, and pro- happened	vent or several loosely events in the order	. Write narratives in which they include at least two or more appropriately sequenced events, use time cue words to signal event order, and provide some details and a sense of closure	Write narratives in which they include at least two or more appropriately sequenced events, use time cue words to signal event order, and provide some details and a sense of closure
7. Add details to strengthen w through revision. (with guid adults)		Add details to strengthen writing as needed through revision. (with guidance and support from adults)	7. Add details to strengthen writing as needed through revision.
Gather information from ex specific question	perience to answer a 8.	. Gather information from experience or provided text sources to answer specific questions	Gather information from experience or provided text sources to answer specific questions
9. Explore his/her voice throughigh interest vocabulary wh	gh the use of personal, 9. en writing	Explore his/her voice through the use of personal, high interest vocabulary when writing	9. Explore his/her voice through the use of personal, high interest vocabulary when writing a. use descriptive language in writing b. use high interest vocabulary
10. Organize and classify inform a. identify pictures and ch information and begin of from a variety of source b. organize and classify inf categories of how and v size)	arts as sources of gathering information es	O. Use technology to produce writing (with guidance from adults)	10. Use technology to produce writing (with guidance from adults)

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c. ask how and why questions about a topic of		
interest		
11. Write or draw for a specific purpose or audience	11. Write for a specific purpose or audience	11. Write for a specific purpose or audience
a. draw pictures and write words for a specific	a. draw pictures and write sentences for a specific	<ul> <li>a. draw pictures and write a three sentence</li> </ul>
reason or audience	reason or audience	paragraph for a specific reason or audience

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Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
Produce grade appropriate coherent and clear writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	<ol> <li>Produce grade appropriate coherent and clear writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience</li> </ol>	Produce grade appropriate coherent and clear writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience
Demonstrate conventions of print in meaningful writing activities     a. correct letter formation in both manuscript and cursive     b. capitalization     c. punctuation     d. conventional spelling (final draft)	<ul> <li>2. Apply conventions of print in meaningful writing activities <ul> <li>a. correct letter formation in both manuscript and cursive</li> <li>b. correct spelling</li> <li>c. capitalization</li> <li>d. correct indentation of paragraphs</li> <li>e. punctuation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Apply conventions of print in meaningful writing activities     a. produce legible work in cursive     b. capitalization     c. correct spelling     d. correct grammar rules     e. correct indentation of paragraphs     f. use punctuation to affect meaning and flow in written pieces
Use prewriting strategies (e.g., webbing, mapping, outlining, clustering and note taking)	Use prewriting strategies (e.g., webbing, mapping, outlining, clustering and note taking)	Use prewriting strategies (e.g., webbing, mapping, outlining, clustering and note taking)
4. Write in a variety of genre and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience a. thank you notes  b. friendly letter  c. address envelopes for correspondence	<ul> <li>4. Write in a variety of genre and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience <ul> <li>a. thank you notes</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. friendly letter</li> <li>c. address envelopes for correspondence</li> </ul>	Write in a variety of genre and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience

5. Develop a paragraph including:	5. Develop a paragraph including:	Compose paragraphs that are based on information, flow from reading and describe
a. topic sentence	a. topic sentence	events and observations. Include:
b. supporting sentences (2-4)	b. supporting sentences (3-5)	<ul><li>a. topic sentence</li><li>b. supporting sentences</li></ul>
c. unity	c. unity	c. unity
d. coherence	d. coherence	d. coherence
e. proper punctuation (final draft)	e. proper punctuation (final draft)	e. concluding sentence
		f. proper punctuation (final draft)
6. Write opinions in which:	6. Write opinions in which:	6. Write opinions in which:
a. the topic or the book is introduced, state an opinion relative to a topic	an opinion about a concrete topic is introduced	an opinion about a concrete topic is introduced
b. provide reasons and details to support the opinion	<ul> <li>create an organizing structure where related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. Create an organizing structure where related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose</li> </ul>
c. provide a sense of closure	c. provide reasons and that are supported by	c. provide reasons and that are supported by
d. use words to link opinions and reasons (e.g., because, and, also, therefore)	facts and details	facts and details
(e.g., because, and, also, therefore)	<ul> <li>d. link reasons and details together using words and phrases (e.g., so, then, for instance, in addition)</li> </ul>	d. link reasons and details together using words and phrases (e.g., consequently, generally, specifically)
	e. adopt an appropriate style for sharing and defending an opinion	e. adopt an appropriate style for sharing and defending an opinion
	f. provide a concluding statement or section	f. provide a concluding statement or section

7. Write informative/explanatory documents which:	7. Write informative/explanatory documents which:	7. Write informative/explanatory documents which:
a. introduce a topic and create organizational structure that presents information together	<ul><li>a. state a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections</li><li>b. develop the topic using facts, concrete</li></ul>	a. state a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections     b. develop the topic using facts, concrete
b. provide some details to develop points	details, quotations, or other information and examples	details, quotations, or other information and examples c. use appropriate links and transition words to
c. use linking words (e.g., also, another, and, more) to connect ideas with	c. use appropriate links and transition words to join ideas within categories of information	join ideas within categories of information
categories of information	<ul> <li>d. employ domain-specific vocabulary when appropriate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>d. employ domain-specific vocabulary when appropriate</li> </ul>
d. include a concluding sentence or section	e. provide a conclusion related to the information or explanation offered	e. provide a conclusion related to the information or explanation offered
	f. identify the need for correct citation of sources to avoid plagiarism	f. identify the need for correct citation of sources to avoid plagiarism
8. Write narratives which:	Write narratives which:     a. orient the reader by establishing a	8. Write narratives which: a. orient the reader by establishing a
a. two or more appropriately sequenced events are evident, time cue words are used to signal event order, and provide some details and a sense of closure	situation, introduce a narrator and/or characters, and organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally	situation, introduce a narrator and/or characters, and organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally
b. establish a situation, introduce a narrator and/or characters and organize event sequence	<ul> <li>b. use narrative techniques such as dialogue and description to develop events and show the characters' external behaviors and internal responses to events</li> </ul>	b. use narrative techniques such as dialogue and description to develop events and show the characters' external behaviors and internal responses to events
	c. use a variety of temporal words and phrases to manage the sequence of events	c. use a variety of temporal words and phrases to manage the sequence of events
	d. use concrete and sensory words and phrases to convey events and experiences precisely	d. use concrete and sensory words and phrases to convey events and experiences precisely

	e. provide a satisfying conclusion that	e. provide a satisfying conclusion that
	follows from the narrative's events	follows from the narrative's events
Add details to strengthen writing as needed through revision	Strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising and editing	Strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting
<ul><li>a. use descriptive language in writing</li><li>b. use high interest vocabulary</li></ul>	a. collaboration with adults and peers to enhance writing ideas and techniques	a. collaboration with adults and peers to enhance writing ideas and techniques
	<ul> <li>b. use dictionary and/or thesaurus to expand vocabulary appropriate to purpose</li> </ul>	b. use dictionary and/or thesaurus to expand vocabulary appropriate to purpose
Preform short, focused research tasks that build knowledge about a topic      a. gather information from experience as well as print and digital resources, take simple notes on sources and sort evidence into categories	Perform short focused research tasks that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic using several sources      a. participate in shared research and writing projects	Perform short focused research tasks that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic using several sources      a. participate in shared research and writing projects
b. cite sources used	<ul> <li>b. gather information from experience as well as print and digital resources, take notes categorize evidence, restate information</li> </ul>	b. gather information from experience as well as print and digital resources, take notes on sources, categorize evidence, restate, summarize or paraphrase information
	c. cite sources used	c. cite sources used
	d. provide basic bibliographic information using MLA format	d. provide basic bibliographic information using MLA format
11. Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames	11. Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames	11. Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames
<ul> <li>a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)</li> </ul>
b. Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)	<ul> <li>b. Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)</li> </ul>
c. Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)	<ul> <li>Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)</li> </ul>

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Use technology including internet to produce writing (with guidance from adults)	Use technology including internet to produce writing (with guidance from adults)	Use technology including internet to produce writing (with guidance from adults)
a. produce digital stories	<ul> <li>a. use word processing program to produce and publish writing</li> </ul>	a. produce, publish, and interact with others about writing

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# Writing – Processes and Features

Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
Produce grade appropriate coherent, clear, and legible writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	Produce grade appropriate coherent, clear, and legible writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience	Produce grade appropriate coherent, clear, and legible writing in which organization, development, substance and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience
Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames	Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames	Write routinely for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences, over short and extended time frames
<ul> <li>a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)</li> </ul>	a. Provisional writing – brief, daily writing that supports learning (brainstorming, spontaneous, routine tasks)
b. Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)	<ul> <li>b. Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Readable writing – intended for an audience (essay test question, assignment –short response answers)</li> </ul>
c. Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)	<ul> <li>Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Polished writing – engaged in the full writing process (plan, research, reflect, revise; first draft, second draft, final)</li> </ul>
Engage in a writing process of planning, reviewing, revising, editing, rewriting, evaluating or trying a new approach	Engage in a writing process of planning, reviewing, revising, editing, rewriting, evaluating or trying a new approach	Engage in a writing process of planning, reviewing, revising, editing, rewriting, evaluating or trying a new approach
revise writing to improve the organization and consistency of ideas within and between paragraphs to improve meaning and clarity.	<ul> <li>revise writing to improve the organization and consistency of ideas within and between paragraphs to improve meaning and clarity.</li> </ul>	revise writing to improve the organization and consistency of ideas within and between paragraphs to improve meaning and clarity.
b. collaborate with adults and peers throughout the writing process to enhance ideas and techniques	b. collaborate with adults and peers throughout the writing process to enhance ideas and techniques	<ul> <li>b. collaborate with adults and peers throughout the writing process to enhance ideas and techniques</li> <li>c. discuss ideas for writing, keep a list of ideas,</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>c. discuss ideas for writing, keep lists of ideas, and use a graphic organizer to plan writing</li> <li>d. edit and proofread one's own writing, as well as that of others,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>c. discuss ideas for writing, keep a list of ideas, and use a graphic organizer to plan writing</li> <li>d. reflect on how well questions of purpose have been addressed and</li> </ul>	<ul><li>and use a graphic organizer to plan writing</li><li>d. d. reflect on how well questions of purpose have been addressed and revise writing as needed.</li></ul>
using an editing checklist or set of rules, with specific examples of corrections of frequent errors	e. use strategies of note-taking, outlining, and summarizing to impose structure on composition text  f. edit and proofread one's own	<ul> <li>e. use strategies of note-taking, outlining, and summarizing to impose structure on composition text</li> <li>f. edit and proofread one's own writing, as well as that of others, using an editing checklist or set of rules, with specific examples of corrections of frequent errors</li> </ul>
	writing, as well as that of others, using an editing checklist or set of rules, with specific examples of corrections of frequent errors	
4. Emphasize content as well as mechanics in written work  a. demonstrate the ability to use punctuation to affect meaning and flow in a written piece	4. Emphasize content as well as mechanics in written work  a. demonstrate the ability to use punctuation to affect meaning and flow in a written piece	4. Emphasize content as well as mechanics in written work  a. demonstrate the ability to use punctuation to affect meaning and flow in a written piece
b. apply spelling and grammar rules to all written work	<ul> <li>apply spelling and grammar rules to all written work</li> </ul>	b. apply spelling and grammar rules to all written work
<ol> <li>Compose paragraphs that are based on information, flow from reading and describe events and observations</li> </ol>	5. Compose paragraphs that are based on information, flow from reading and describe events and observations	<ol> <li>Compose paragraphs that are based on information, flow from reading and describe events and observations</li> </ol>
a. write multi-paragraph informational text that engages the interest of the reader, state a clear purpose, develop the topic with supporting details and precise language, and conclude with a detailed summary linked to	a. write multi-paragraph informational text that engage the interest of the reader, state a clear purpose, develop the topic with supporting details and precise language, and conclude with a detailed summary linked to the	support theses or conclusions with analogies, paraphrases, quotations, expert opinions, and similar devices and evidence

the purpose of the summary	purpose of the summary	
	b. support all statements and claims with anecdotes, descriptions, facts and statistics	
Write for different purposes; information, persuasion, description, and to a specific audience or person, adjusting tone and style as necessary      use varied word choices to make all types of writing interesting for the reader      b. use symbols, pictures and charts to convey thoughts and meaning in a written document	Write for different purposes; information, persuasion, description, and to a specific audience or person, adjusting tone and style as necessary      a. use varied word choices to make all types of writing interesting and more precise for the reader      b. use symbols, pictures and charts to convey thoughts and meaning in a written document	6. Write for different purposes; information, persuasion, description, and to a specific audience or person, adjusting tone and style as necessary  a. use varied word choices to make all types of writing interesting and more precise for the reader  b. use symbols, pictures and charts to convey thoughts and meaning in a written document
7. Write for correspondence	7. Write for correspondence	7. Write for correspondence
a. friendly and business letters	a. friendly and business letters	a. friendly and business letters
b. memos that portray the appropriate tone	<ul><li>b. memos that portray the appropriate tone</li><li>c. thank you notes</li></ul>	<ul><li>b. memos that portray the appropriate tone</li><li>c. thank you notes</li></ul>
c. thank you notes	d. email and electronic notes that portray the	d amail and electronic notes that nortroy the
d. email and electronic notes that portray the appropriate tone	d. email and electronic notes that portray the appropriate tone	d. email and electronic notes that portray the appropriate tone
8. Write narratives which:  a. engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view, and have an organized sequence of events or experiences	8. Write narratives which:  a. engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view, and have an organized sequence of events or experiences	8. Write narratives which: a. engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view, and have an organized sequence of events or experiences
<ul> <li>b. develop narrative elements (e.g., setting, event sequence, characters) using relevant sensory details and devices such as dialogue or suspense</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. develop narrative elements (e.g., setting, event sequence, complex major and minor characters) using relevant sensory details and devices such as</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b. develop narrative elements (e.g., setting, event sequence, complex major and minor characters) using relevant sensory details and devices such as</li> </ul>

c. use a variety of transition words, phrases and clauses to convey sequence, shift from one time frame or setting to another, and/or show the relationships among the events and experiences	dialogue, suspense and the naming of narrative action  c. write biographical, autobiographical and short stories that develop a standard plot line and point of view.	dialogue, suspense and the naming of narrative action  c. write biographical, autobiographical and short stories that tell about an incident, event, or situation, using details; reveal the significance of, or writer's attitude
<ul> <li>d. choose words and phrases to develop the events, experiences, and ideas precisely</li> <li>e. provide a satisfying conclusion that follows from events, experiences, or ideas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>d. use a variety of transition words, phrases and clauses to convey sequence, shift from one time frame or setting to another, and/or show the relationships among the events and experiences</li> <li>e. choose words and phrases to develop the events, experiences, and ideas precisely</li> <li>f. provide a satisfying conclusion that follows from events, experiences, or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>about the subject</li> <li>d. use narrative and descriptive strategies, including relevant dialogue, specific action, physical description, background description, and comparison or contrast of characters</li> <li>e. use a variety of techniques to convey sequence, shift from one time frame or setting to another and/or show the relationships among the events or</li> </ul>
	ideas	f. choose words and phrases to develop the events, experiences, and ideas precisely to create a particular mood or attitude  g. provide a satisfying conclusion that follows from events, experiences, or ideas
9. Write expository, informative/explanatory, descriptive, and technical texts which:  a. introduce a topic, state a thesis, organize information appropriate to the purpose, use strategies such as definition, classification, compare/contrast, and cause/effect and offer evidence to support arguments and conclusions	9. Write expository, informative/explanatory, descriptive, and technical texts which:  a. introduce a topic, state a thesis, organize information appropriate to the purpose, use strategies such as definition, classification, compare/contrast, and cause/effect and offer evidence to support arguments and conclusions	9. Write expository, informative/explanatory, descriptive, and technical texts which:  a. introduce a topic, state a thesis, organize information appropriate to the purpose, use strategies such as definition, classification, compare/contrast, and cause/effect and offer evidence to support arguments and conclusions

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<ul> <li>b. develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>develop the topic with relevant and accurate facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples</li> </ul>	b. develop the topic with relevant and accurate facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples
c. use appropriate links and varied sentence structures to join and clarify ideas	c. use appropriate links and varied sentence structures to join and clarify ideas	c. use appropriate links and varied sentence structures to join and clarify ideas.
d. use straightforward language to create an objective style, appropriate for a reader seeking information	d. use straightforward language to create an objective style, appropriate for a reader seeking information	<ul> <li>d. use straightforward language to create an objective style, appropriate for a reader seeking information.</li> </ul>
e. provide a conclusion that follows logically from the information or explanation presented	e. provide a conclusion that follows logically from the information or explanation presented	e. provide a conclusion that follows logically from the information or explanation presented
f. produce a 5 paragraph essay	f. produce a 5-10 paragraph essay	f. produce a 5-10 paragraph essay
g. identify the need for correct citation of sources to avoid plagiarism	g. identify the need for correct citation of sources to avoid plagiarism	g. identify the need for correct citation of sources to avoid plagiarism
h. use MLA (or APA) style for bibliograph	h. use MLA (or APA) style for bibliography	h. use MLA (or APA) style for bibliography
		<ul> <li>i. use formatting techniques (headings, fonts, font sizes, etc) in technical writing to aid in style and comprehension</li> </ul>
10. Write a research report that has been developed using a systematic research process	knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic using several sources	Perform focused research tasks that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic using several sources
a. gather information from experience a well as print and digital resources, tak notes on sources, categorize evidence restate, summarize or paraphrase information	a gather information from experience as	a. gather information from experience as well as print and digital resources, take notes on sources, categorize evidence, restate, summarize or paraphrase information
b. participate in shared research and writing projects	b. participate in shared research and writing projects	b. participate in shared research and writing projects
c. use a variety of resources and documents	c. use a variety of resources and	c. use a variety of resources and documents
d. demonstrate that sources have been	documents	d. demonstrate that sources have been evaluated for accuracy, bias and credibility

evaluated for accuracy, bias and credibility  e. demonstrate the distinction between one's own ideas from the ideas of others  f. cite sources used  g. provide basic bibliographic information using MLA or APA format	<ul> <li>d. demonstrate that sources have been evaluated for accuracy, bias and credibility</li> <li>e. demonstrate the distinction between one's own ideas from the ideas of others</li> <li>f. cite sources used</li> <li>g. provide basic bibliographic information using MLA or APA format</li> </ul>	e. demonstrate the distinction between one's own ideas from the ideas of others  f. cite sources used  g. provide basic bibliographic information using MLA or APA format
11. Write in response to literary or informational sources  a. draw from text to support analysis and reflection describing what has been learned  b. develop an interpretation that shows careful reading, understanding and insight  c. reference standards in Reading Literature and Informational Text-Comprehension, Response and Analysis (beginning on page 29)	11. Write in response to literary or informational sources  a. draw from text to support analysis and reflection describing what has been learned  b. develop an interpretation that shows careful reading, understanding and insight  c. reference standards in Reading Literature and Informational Text-Comprehension, Response and Analysis (beginning on page 29)	11. Write in response to literary or informational sources  a. draw from text to support analysis and reflection describing what has been learned  b. develop an interpretation that shows careful reading, understanding and insight  c. reference standards in Reading Literature and Informational Text-Comprehension, Response and Analysis (beginning on page 29)
<ul> <li>12. Write persuasive compositions that state a clear position on a proposition or proposal</li> <li>a. support the position with organized and relevant evidence and effective emotional appeals</li> <li>b. anticipate and address reader concerns and counterarguments</li> </ul>	a. describe the points in support of the proposition employing well-articulated evidence using effective emotional, logical and ethical appeals  b. anticipate and address reader concerns and counterarguments	12. Write persuasive compositions that include a well-defined thesis that makes a clear and knowledgeable appeal     a. present detailed evidence, examples, and reasoning to support effective arguments using emotional, logical and ethical appeals     b. provide details, reasons, and examples, arranging them effectively by

		anticipating and answering reader concerns and counterarguments
13. Use technology in an appropriate way, including the internet, to produce, publish and interact with others about writing, including linking to and citing online sources in order to avoid plagiarism.	13. Use technology in an appropriate way, including the internet, to produce, publish and interact with others about writing, including linking to and citing online sources in order to avoid plagiarism.	13. Use technology in an appropriate way, including the internet, to produce, publish and interact with others about writing, including linking to and citing online sources in order to avoid plagiarism.

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## Grammar and Usage

Students adjust their use of spoken, written, and visual language (e.g., conventions, style, vocabulary) to communicate effectively with a variety of audiences and for different purposes.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking  a form regular plural pouns grally by adding	Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking     a. use singular and plural nouns with	Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking  a form common irregular plural pouns.
<ul> <li>a. form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or/es/ (e.g., dog, dogs, fish, fishes) when speaking</li> <li>b. form regular past tense verbs orally (e.g., played, walked)</li> <li>c. understand and use the most frequently occurring prepositions in English (e.g., to/from, in/ out, on/off, for, of, by. With) when speaking</li> <li>d. produce and expand complete sentences in shared language and writing activities</li> <li>e. understand and use questions words (e.g., who, what, where, when, why and how) in discussions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. use singular and plural nouns with matching verbs in simple sentences (e.g., He hops, we hop)</li> <li>b. use subject, object, and possessive pronouns in speaking and writing (e.g., I, me, my, they, them, their)</li> <li>c. use verbs to convey a sense of past, present and future in writing and speaking (e.g., Yesterday I walked home; Today I walk home; Tomorrow I will walk home)</li> <li>d. understand and use frequently occurring prepositions in English (e.g., during, beyond, toward)</li> <li>e. produce and expand complete statements, exclamations and commands in response to prompts and questions. (declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory-terms not used)</li> <li>f. identify a sentence as having a subject and predicate</li> <li>g. identify the subject and predicate in a sentence</li> <li>h. identify verbs, nouns and adjectives</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. form common irregular plural nouns (e.g., feet, children, teeth)</li> <li>b. form the past tense of common irregular verbs (e.g., sat, hid, and told)</li> <li>c. produce and expand complete declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences</li> <li>d. produce and expand complete sentences to provide requested detail or clarification</li> <li>e. identify a sentence as having a subject and predicate</li> <li>f. identify the subject and predicate in a sentence</li> <li>g. identify verbs, nouns and adjectives</li> </ul>

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- 2. Observe conventions of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
  - a. capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun *I*
  - b. name and identify end punctuation, including periods, questions marks, and exclamation points
  - c. spell simple words phonetically using knowledge of sound-letter relationships

- 2. Observe conventions of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
  - a. capitalize names, places and dates
  - use end punctuation for sentences, including periods, questions marks, and exclamation points
  - c. use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series
  - d. use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for common irregular words
  - e. use phonetic spelling for untaught words, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions
  - f. form new words through addition, deletion and substitution of sound and letters (e.g., an-man-mat-mast-must-rust-crust)

- 2. Observe conventions of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
  - a. capitalize holidays, product names, geographic names, and important words in a title
  - b. use commas in greetings and closing letters
  - c. use apostrophes to form contractions and common possessives
  - d. generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g., cage—badge, boy—boil)
  - e. consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spelling
  - f. identify use of quotation marks in dialogue

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Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking	Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking	Observe conventions of grammar and usage in writing and speaking     a. form and use the perfect (e.g., I had
a. explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs (in general) and their	<ul> <li>a. form and use the possessive verb aspects (e.g., I was walking, I am walking, I will be walking)</li> </ul>	walked, I have walked, I will have walked) verb aspects
functions in specific sentences b. identify and use singular and plural	<ul> <li>b. form and use adjectives and adverbs (including comparative</li> </ul>	b. recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense and aspect
nouns, common and proper nouns, and personal pronouns	and superlative forms) placing appropriately within sentences	c. use and punctuate declarative, interrogative, exclamatory, and
c. form and use simple verb tense (e.g., I walked, I walk, I will walk)	c. produce complete sentences, avoiding rhetorically poor	imperative sentences
d. use consistent tense and form with irregular verbs	fragments and run-ons d. correctly use frequently confused	<ul> <li>identify and use the following parts of speech: singular and plural nouns,</li> </ul>
e. ensure subject-verb and pronoun-	words (e.g., two, to, too, there, their, they're)	common and proper nouns  e. identify the person, case, gender, and
antecedent agreement  f. differentiate and produce simple,	e. use and punctuate declarative,	number of nouns
compound and complex sentences g. identify complete subject and	interrogative, exclamatory and imperative sentences	f. use possessive pronouns and personal pro- nouns
complete predicate in a sentence	f. differentiate between and write simple and compound sentences	g. identify and use interrogative pronouns (who, whom, what, which)
compound predicates	g. differentiate between and write simple and compound sentences	h. identify demonstrative pronouns (this,
<ul> <li>identify the four types of sentences (declarative, interrogative, exclamatory, and</li> </ul>	h. identify the person, case, gender, and number of nouns	that, these and those) and indefinite pronouns (e.g. most, some, all, everybody)
imperative)	i. identify and use interrogative pronouns (who, whom, what,	i. identify, define and use adjectives.
	which) j. identify, define and use adjectives	j. identify and use appropriate tense of regular verbs
	k. identify and use the appropriate tense of regular verbs	k. identify and use linking/state of being verbs, auxiliary / helping verbs,
	I. identify and use linking/state of being verbs	irregular verbs, transitive and intransitive verbs

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	m. identify and use irregular verbs	I. identify and use preposition
	n. identify and use prepositions	m. identify and use objects of prepositions.
	<ul> <li>identify and define the function of parts of speech as elements of sentence structure (simple and complete subject, simple and complete predicate)</li> </ul>	n. identify and define the function of parts of speech as elements of sentence structure (simple and complete subject, simple and complete predicate)
	p. identify and use possessive case	o. use and define subject / verb agreement
	q. identify compound subjects and	p. identify direct objects
	compound predicates r. use and define subject/verb	q. identify active and passive voice
	agreement	r. identify and use adverbs
		s. identify and use conjunctions and interjections
2. Observe conventions of	Observe conventions of	Observe conventions of
capitalization, punctuation, and	capitalization, punctuation, and	capitalization, punctuation, and
spelling.	spelling.	spelling.
a. produce grammatically correct work.	a. use quotation marks to mark direct	a. use punctuation to separate items in
b. apply spelling skills to all written	speech and quotations from a text.	a series.
work.	<ul> <li>b. spell grade appropriate words correctly, consulting references as</li> </ul>	b. use a comma to separate an introductory element from the
c. use correct punctuation in written work, including end marks,	needed.	rest of the sentence.
commas, and apostrophes.	c. produce grammatically correct work	c. use underlining, quotation
d. recognize correct use of quotation marks.	<ul> <li>d. use the following marks of punctuation: commas, end marks,</li> </ul>	marks, or italics to indicate titles of works.
e. identify and use capitalization rules	and apostrophe	d. write and punctuate simple
for sentences and proper nouns.	e. consult reference materials,	and compound sentences.
f. use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word	including dictionaries, as needed to check and correct	e. use the following marks of punctuation: comma, quotation
families, position-based spellings,	spellings	marks, and apostrophe.

syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.		f. identify and use the following marks of punctuation: hyphen, colon, and semi-colon
g. consult reference materials, including dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings		g. spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed
Spermigs		h. produce grammatically correct work
Produce legible written work applying the standards of correct manuscript and cursive.	<ol> <li>Produce legible written work applying the standards of correct cursive.</li> </ol>	Produce legible written work applying the standards of correct cursive.
4. Make effective language choices.	4. Make effective language choices	4. Make effective language choices.
a. use words for effect	<ul> <li>a. use punctuation for effect</li> <li>b. maintain consistency in style and tone</li> <li>c. choose words and phrases to convey ideas</li> </ul>	a. expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style

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Sixth Gr	ade	Seventh	Grade	Eighth G	Grade
1. Observe	conventions of grammar and usage g and speaking identify and define the functions of the parts of speech including adverbs, adjectives, interjections and conjunctions identify nouns with particular emphasis on concrete, abstract and collective nouns as a part of speech use nouns of direct address and appositives identify and use words in the possessive case, nominative case and objective case demonstrate understanding of and use of predicate nominative and predicate adjective (predicate nouns or subject complements) identify direct and indirect objects identify the antecedent of the pronoun and agreement of antecedent with the pronoun ensure that pronouns are in the proper case (subjective, objective, possessive) identify and use relative pronouns, intensive/reflexive, possessive, demonstrative, and indefinite pronouns identify and properly use present perfect, past perfect, and future perfect verb tenses identify and correctly use verbs	1. Observe in writin	g and speaking identify and define the functions of the parts of speech including adverbs, adjectives, interjections and conjunctions identify nouns with particular emphasis on concrete, abstract and collective nouns as a part of speech use nouns of direct address and appositives identify and use words in the possessive case, nominative case and objective case demonstrate understanding of and use of predicate nominative and predicate adjective (predicate nouns or subject complements) identify direct and indirect objects identify the antecedent of the pronoun and agreement of antecedent with the pronoun identify and use relative pronouns, intensive/reflexive, possessive, demonstrative and indefinite pronouns identify and properly use present perfect, past perfect, and future perfect verb tenses identify and use modifiers such as adjective and adverb phrases;	1. Observe in writin	conventions of grammar and usage g and speaking use nouns with particular emphasis on concrete, abstract and collective nouns as a part of speech demonstrate agreement of antecedent with pronoun use relative pronouns, intensive/reflexive, possessive, demonstrative and indefinite pronouns demonstrate understanding of and use of predicate nominative and predicate adjective (predicate nouns or subject complements) identify and properly use present perfect, past perfect, and future perfect verb tenses form and use verbs in the indicative, imperative, interrogative, conditional and subjunctive moods recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood identify and use identify and use modifiers such as adjective and adverb phrases; identify the words they modify identify and use verbals and verbal phrases (gerunds, participles, and infinitives)
I.	that agree with compound subjects identify and use verb phrases	k.	identify the words they modify identify and use infinitives		

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<ul> <li>2. Observe conventions of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling <ul> <li>a. use correct capitalization rules</li> <li>b. use a comma, colon and semicolon, hyphen, dash, parentheses, and bracketing appropriately</li> <li>c. use a comma before the conjunction in a compound sentence, use a semi-colon to connect main clauses</li> <li>d. use commas to separate coordinate adjectives (e.g. It was a fascinating, enjoyable movie, but not he wore and old green shirt.)</li> <li>e. demonstrate the use of quotation marks</li> <li>f. use an apostrophe to form possessive nouns and contractions</li> <li>g. spell correctly, frequently misspelled words</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	applying the spelling of bases and affixes	2. Observe conventions of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling  a. use correct capitalization rules  b. use a comma after a dependent clause to begin a sentence and after introductory words to set off interrupters, nouns of direct address and appositives  c. use a semi-colon, colon, hyphen, parentheses, bracketing, and ellipses appropriately  d. demonstrate the use of quotation marks with emphasis on direct quotations
3. Use appropriate and varied sentence types to develop paragraphs  a. use simple, compound and complex sentences  b. identify and correctly use phrases, prepositional phrases, appositives clauses, and subordinate clauses  c. use effective coordination and subordination of ideas, including both main ideas and supporting details in single sentences to express complete thoughts  d. use a variety of complex transitions between sentences to build coherency within paragraphs	both main ideas and supporting details in single sentences to express complete thoughts  c. identify passive and active voice, choosing active voice to produce clear, concise writing  d. use a variety of complex transitions between sentences to	3. Use appropriate and varied sentence types to develop paragraphs  a. use simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences  b. use effective coordination and subordination of ideas, including both main ideas and supporting details in single sentences to express complete thoughts and present lively and effective personal style  c. place phrases and clauses within a sentence avoiding misplaced and dangling modifiers  d. use a variety of complex

e. identify and properly use parallelism to present ideas in a series and items juxtaposed for emphasis	e. use phrases and clauses within sentences, paragraphs, and essays f. identify and properly use	transitions between sentences to build coherency within paragraphs e. identify and properly use parallelism to present ideas in a
стриазз	parallelism to present ideas in a series and items juxtaposed for emphasis	series and items juxtaposed for emphasis

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## Speaking and Listening: Comprehension and Collaboration

Students adjust their use of spoken language to communicate effectively with a variety of audiences and for different purposes.

Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Participate in conversations with peers and adults about kindergarten topics and texts      being studied in place.	Initiate and participate in conversations with peers and adults about first grade topics and tout being studied in alega.	Engage in group discussions on second grade topics and texts being studied in class
<ul> <li>being studied in class</li> <li>a. listen to others and take turns speaking</li> <li>b. continue a conversation through several exchanges</li> <li>c. stay on topic when speaking</li> <li>d. demonstrate respect for others' and their opinions in discussion</li> <li>e. refrain from outbursts and interruptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>texts being studied in class</li> <li>a. follow agreed-upon rules for discussion such as listening to others, speaking one at a time, and gaining the floor in respectful ways</li> <li>b. respond to comments of others through multiple exchanges</li> <li>c. ask questions to clear up confusion about a topic</li> <li>d. demonstrate respect for others and their opinions in discussions</li> <li>e. Refrain from outbursts and interruptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a. follow agreed-upon rules for discussion, such as listening to others, speaking one at a time, and gaining the floor in a respectful way</li> <li>b. stay on topic by linking their own additions to the conversation to the previous remarks of others</li> <li>c. ask for clarification and further explanation as needed</li> <li>d. extend their ideas and understanding in light of the discussion</li> <li>e. demonstrate respect for others' opinions in</li> </ul>
		discussion  f. demonstrate respect for others
Confirm understanding of information presented orally or through media by asking and answering questions about the key details     a. retell stories with assistance     b. understand and follow one and two step spoken directions	<ul> <li>2. Confirm understanding of information presented orally or through media by restating key elements and asking and answering questions about key details</li> <li>a. retell stories</li> <li>b. understand and follow up to three step spoken directions</li> </ul>	Retell details or ideas presented orally or through media     a. recount stories or experiences with appropriate facts and descriptive details
Ask questions to get information, seek help, or clarify something not understood	3. Ask questions to get information, clarify something that is not understood, or to gather additional information	Ask and answer questions about information presented orally or visually in order to deepen their understanding or clarify comprehension

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4.	Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation, using correct verb tenses to convey a sense of past, present, and future	Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation to provide requested detail or clarification, ensuring subject-verb agreement and correct use of irregular plural nouns
Describe familiar people, places, things, and events, and with prompting and support, provide additional details	<ol> <li>Describe familiar people, places, things, and events, and with prompting and support, provide additional details.</li> </ol>	Describe familiar people, places, things, and events, and with prompting and support, provide additional details.
With prompting and support, speak with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression	With support, speak with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression	With support, speak with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression
7. Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes, and songs	Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes and songs	7. Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes and songs
8. Practice the steps to focused listening	Practice the steps to focused listening	8. Practice the steps to focused listening
a. stop what they are doing and saying (calm themselves)	a. stop what they are doing and saying (calm themselves)	a. stop what they are doing and saying (calm themselves)
b. clear away distractions	b. clear away distractions	b. clear away distractions
c. look toward the focal point	c. look toward the focal point	c. look toward the focal point
d. be able to tell the person what was heard or ask a question of the speaker	d. be able to tell the person what was heard or ask a question of the speaker	d. be able to tell the person what was heard or ask a question of the speaker
e. move into action if directions are given	e. move into action if directions are given	e. move into action if directions are given

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Third Gr	ade	Fourth C	Grade	Fifth Gra	ade
	and engage in group discussions on third pics and texts being studied in class		and engage in group discussions on rade topics and texts being studied in		and engage in group discussions on fifth pics and texts being studied in class
a.	follow agreed upon rules for discussion and carry out assigned roles in small	a.	come to discussions prepared, having read required materials	a.	come to discussions prepared, having read required materials
b.	group discussions  pose relevant questions and add to the conversation elaborating on the remarks	b.	during discussions explicitly draw on relevant material and other information known about the topic	b.	during discussions explicitly draw on relevant material and other information known about the topic
C.	of others talk about ideas, projects, books, events	C.	pose and respond to questions as well as build on the ideas of previous speakers	C.	respond to questions with elaborate, make comments that contribute to the topic and build on the ideas of
d.	rather than gossip about people who are not present extend ideas and understanding in light	d.	acknowledge new information provided by others and incorporate it into own thinking	d.	ask questions to clarify or follow up on ideas or information presented orally or through media
e.	of the discussion  demonstrate respect for the views of others even when there is disagreement	e.	demonstrate respect for the views of others even when there is disagreement	e.	draw conclusions based on the ideas of others and incorporate them in own thinking
f.	use appropriate tone and voice	f.	avoid sarcasm, hostility and defensiveness in tone or gesture when there is disagreement	f.	demonstrate respect for the views of others even when there is disagreement
g.	form comments, opinions, and new ideas based on Catholic values and	g.	use appropriate tone and voice	g.	use appropriate tone and voice
	doctrine	h. i.	talk about ideas, projects, books, events rather than gossip about people who are not present form comments, opinions, and new ideas based on Catholic values and doctring	h. i.	avoid sarcasm, hostility and defensiveness in tone or gesture when there is disagreement initiate discussion about ideas, projects, books, events rather than gossip about people who are not present
			doctrine	j.	form comments, opinions, and new ideas based on Catholic values and doctrine

Identify the main ideas and supporting details of information presented graphically, visually, orally, or multimodal	Paraphrase the key information or ideas presented graphically, visually, orally, or multimodal	Summarize the key ideas and supporting details presented graphically, visually, orally, or multimodal
Ask questions about presentations, offering constructive feedback with elaboration and detail	Identify the claims and supporting evidence presented by the speaker	Summarize the claims presented by the speaker and explain how each claim is supported with evidence
Report on a topic or recount stories or experiences with appropriate facts and descriptive details	Report on events, topics or texts in an organized manner using appropriate, specific facts and descriptive details to support the main idea	Report on events, topics or texts in an organized manner using appropriate, specific facts and descriptive details to support the main idea
5. Produce simple visual displays for reports	Incorporate visual displays and digital media presentations when appropriate	Incorporate visual displays and digital media presentations when appropriate
Speak coherently with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression      a. employ a variety of tenses and ensuring subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement     b. use appropriate manners and speech when addressing individuals or groups	Speak coherently with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression      a. use formal English when appropriate to task and situation      b. differentiate between contexts that call for formal English and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g. presenting ideas vs. small group discussion)      c. use appropriate manners and speech when addressing individuals or groups	Speak coherently with appropriate volume, enunciation, rate, fluency and expression      a. adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communication tasks using formal English when appropriate to task and situation.      b. use appropriate manners and speech when addressing individuals or groups
7. Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes, and songs	7. Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes and songs	7. Recite short poems, scripture verses, rhymes and songs
Practice the steps to focused listening     a. stop what they are doing and saying     b. clear away distractions     c. look toward the focal point	8. Practice the steps to focused listening  a. stop what they are doing and saying  b. clear away distractions  c. look toward the focal point	8. Practice the steps to focused listening  a. stop what they are doing and saying (  b. clear away distractions  c. look toward the focal point

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Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
<ul> <li>1. Initiate and engage in group discussions on sixth grade topics and texts being studied in class</li> <li>a. prepare for discussions by completing reading or conducting research and explicitly draw on that material in discussion</li> <li>b. ask questions that seek information not already discussed</li> <li>c. cooperate with peers to set clear goals and deadlines</li> <li>d. build on the ideas of others by asking relevant questions and contributing appropriate and essential information</li> <li>e. review the key ideas expressed and extend their own ideas in light of new information learned</li> <li>f. demonstrate respect for the view of others assessing new ideas against Catholic values</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1. Initiate and engage in group discussions on seventh grade topics and texts being studied in class</li> <li>a. prepare for discussions by completing reading or conducting research and explicitly draw on that material in discussion</li> <li>b. ask questions to elicit information, including evidence to support the speaker's claims and conclusions</li> <li>c. cooperate with peers to set clear goals and deadlines</li> <li>d. advance a discussion by asking questions, responding precisely, and sharing factual knowledge and observations</li> <li>e. ensure a forum for the range of positions on an issue</li> <li>f. take the views of others into account and, when warranted, modify personal view in light of the evidence presented</li> <li>g. demonstrate respect for the views of others assessing new ideas against Catholic doctrine</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Initiate and engage in group discussions on eighth grade topics and texts being studied in class         <ol> <li>prepare for discussions by completing reading or conducting research and explicitly draw on that material in discussion</li> <li>ask questions concerning the speaker's content, delivery and attitude toward a subject</li> <li>cooperate with peers to set clear goals and deadlines</li> <li>advance a discussion by asking questions, responding precisely, and sharing factual knowledge and observations</li> <li>ensure a hearing for the range of positions on an issue</li> </ol> </li> <li>f. qualify or justify, when warranted, personal view and thinking, after listening to others' questions or accounts of evidence</li> <li>g. demonstrate respect for the views of others assessing new ideas against Catholic doctrine</li> </ol>

- 2. Analyze, evaluate and interpret information presented in visual or multimodal formats
  - explain how the information presented clarifies and contributes to a topic or issue under study
  - identify the tone, mood and emotion conveyed in the oral communication and relate the speaker's verbal communication to the nonverbal message
  - identify persuasive and propaganda techniques used in electronic media and identify faults and misleading information
  - d. provide helpful feedback to speakers concerning the coherence and logic of a speech's content and delivery and its overall impact on the listener
  - delineate the claims made by a speaker or presenter and detail what evidence supports which claims

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  - determine the main ideas and supporting elements presented in oral, visual, or multimodal formats and explain how the information presented clarifies and contributes to a topic or issue under study
  - b. determine the speaker's attitude toward the subject
  - analyze the effect on the viewer of images, text and sound in electronic journalism and identify the techniques used to achieve the effects
  - d. provide helpful feedback to speakers concerning the coherence and logic of a speech's content and delivery and its overall impact on the listener
  - exaluate a speaker's or presenter's reasoning and claims as well as the degree to which each claim is logically supported by the evidence provided
  - f. analyze the use of rhetorical devices, including rhythm and timing of speech, repetitive patterns and the use of onomatopoeia for intent and effect

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  - explain how the information presented clarifies and contributes to a topic or issue under study
  - interpret and evaluate the various ways in which visual image makers communicate information and affect impressions and opinions
  - evaluate the credibility of a speaker, including whether the speaker has hidden agendas or presents slanted or biased material
  - analyze oral interpretations of literature, including language choice and delivery and the effect of interpretations on the listener
  - e. summarize the claims made by a speaker or presenter and explain how each claim is supported with evidence

- 3. Present information emphasizing salient points with pertinent descriptions and details, using appropriate manners and speech, adequate volume, clear pronunciation, and use of visuals
  - select a focus, an organizational structure and a point of view, matching the purpose, message and vocal modulation to the audience
  - b. use effective timing, volume and tone to sustain audience interest and attention
  - c. emphasize important points to assist the listener in following the main ideas and concepts
  - d. adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate
  - e. incorporate digital media and visual displays of data when helpful and in a manner that strengthens the presentation

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  - organize information to achieve particular purposes and to appeal to the background and interest of the audience
  - b. arrange supporting details, reasons, descriptions and examples effectively
  - use adjustments in tone, volume and timing of speech and enunciation for effective presentations
  - d. adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate
  - incorporate digital media and visual displays of data when helpful and in a manner that strengthens the presentation

- Present information emphasizing salient points with pertinent descriptions and details, using appropriate manners and speech, adequate volume, clear pronunciation, and use of visuals
  - a. outline the organization of a speech, including an introduction, transitions, previews, and summaries, a logically developed body and an effective conclusion
  - b. use appropriate grammar, word choice, enunciation, vocabulary, voice modulation, expression, tone and pace during formal presentations
  - use precise language, action verbs, sensory details, appropriate and colorful modifiers, and the active rather than passive voice in ways that enliven oral presentations
  - d. adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate
  - e. use audience feedback, including both verbal and non-verbal cues, to reconsider and modify the organizational structure and/or to rearrange words and sentences for clarification of meaning
  - f. incorporate digital media and visual displays of data when helpful and in a manner that strengthens the presentation

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- 4. Determine the purpose of a presentation and apply appropriate presentation skills for the particular purpose
  - recite poems, scripture passages, sections of speeches, or dramatic soliloquies using voice modulation, tone and gestures expressively to enhance the meaning
  - b. deliver narrative presentations that establish a context, plot, and point of view, including sensory details and specific language to develop the plot and character, use a range of narrative devices, including dialogue, tension or suspense
  - c. give informative presentations that pose relevant questions sufficiently limited in scope to be completely and thoroughly answered through development of the topic with facts, details, examples, and explanations from multiple authoritative sources, including speakers, periodicals, and online information
  - d. deliver descriptive presentations that use concrete sensory details to set forth and support unified impressions of people, places, things or experiences
  - e. provide oral responses to literature that develop an interpretation showing careful reading, understanding, and insight; organize the presentation around several clear ideas, premises or images, develop and justify the interpretation through the use of examples from the text

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  - b. deliver narrative presentations that establish a context, plot, and point of view, including sensory details and specific language to develop the plot and character, use a range of narrative devices, including dialogue, tension or suspense and showing narrative action with movement, gestures, and expressions
  - give research presentations that pose relevant and concise questions about the topic, provide accurate information on the topic, include evidence generated through the formal research process, including the use of computer databases, magazines, newspapers, and dictionaries, citing reference sources appropriately
  - deliver descriptive presentations that establish a clear point of view on the subject, establish the presenter's relationship with the subject, contain effective, factual descriptions of appearance, concrete images, shifting perspectives and sensory details
  - e. provide oral summaries of articles and books that include the main ideas and the most significant details; state in own words, except when quoting directly from sources, demonstrate a complete understanding of sources, not just

- 4. Identify the purpose of a presentation and apply appropriate presentation skills for the particular purpose
  - a. deliver narrative presentations such as biographical or autobiographical information that relate to a clear incident, event or situation including well-chosen details revealing the significance of the incident, event, or situation
  - use narrative and descriptive strategies to support the presentation including relevant dialogue, specific action, physical description, background description, and comparison or contrast of characters
  - c. give research presentations that define a thesis, research important ideas, concepts, and direct quotations from significant information sources and paraphrase and summarize important perspectives on the topic, use a variety of research sources and distinguish the nature and value of each, present information on charts, maps and graphs
  - deliver descriptive presentations that establish a clear point of view on the subject, establish the presenter's relationship with the subject, contain effective, factual descriptions of appearance, concrete images, shifting perspectives and sensory details
  - e. provide oral responses to literature that interpret a reading and provide insight, connect personal responses to the writer's techniques and to specific textual references; make supported inferences about the effects of a

- f. make persuasive presentations that provide a clear statement of the position, include relevant evidence, offer a logical sequence of information, engage the listener and try to gain acceptance of the proposition or proposal
- g. deliver presentations on problems and solutions that theorize on the causes and effects of each problem, establish connections between the defined problem and at least one solution, and offer persuasive evidence to support the definition of the problem and the proposed solutions

- superficial details
- make persuasive presentations that state a clear position in support of an argument or proposal, describe the points in support of the proposal and include supporting evidence

- literary work on its audience, support judgments through references to the text, other works, other authors, or personal knowledge
- f. make persuasive presentations that include a well-defined thesis, differentiate fact from opinion and support arguments with detailed evidence, examples, reasoning and persuasive language, anticipate and effectively answer listener concerns and counterarguments through the inclusion and arrangement of details, reasons, examples, and other elements while maintaining a reasonable tone

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CURRICULUM RESOURCES

(A working list)

Publisher	Title	Grade Level	Notes
Zaner Bloser	Super Kids Reading	PK-2	Phonics based reading program encompassing all literacy domains. Stories easily integrate with Catholic themes.
Houghton Mifflin	Journeys (Catholic Edition)	K-5	The Catholic edition provides a teacher manual only that has faith integration themes and connections with each unit
Orbis Books	The Color of Gratitude and other Spiritual Surprises	K-12	Prayer poems: Bishop Robert Morneau
Orbis Books	A Splash of Sunshine and Other Glimpses of Grace	K-12	Prayer poems: Bishop Robert Morneau
St. Mary Press	Strategic Reading Strategies using Scripture	K-5	St. Mary Press Children's Bible is well suited for young readers. Additional materials are available utilizing Strategic Reading Strategies, while basing the reading on scripture.
NCEA Author Kay Burgess (2012)	A Working Reading List for Catholic School Students	PK-2	An anthology of books for the themes of; Faith, Hope, Love, Community, Justice, Courage, Reconciliation, Service
NCEA Author Kay Burgess (2012)	A Working Reading List for Catholic School Students	3-5	An anthology of books for the themes of; Faith, Hope, Love, Community, Justice, Courage, Reconciliation, Service
NCEA Author Kay Burgess (2012)	A Working Reading List for Catholic School Students	6-8	An anthology of books for the themes of; Faith, Hope, Love, Community, Justice, Courage, Reconciliation, Service