Reading Standards for Literature

Key Ideas and Details

4.RL.1 - Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.

4.RL.2–Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.

Crafts and Structure

4.RL.6 – Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third- person narrations.

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Key Ideas and Details

4.RI.2 - Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.



Craft and Structure

4.RI.5—Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Reading Standards: Foundational Skills

Print Concepts

Phonological Awareness

Phonics and Word Recognition

Fluency

Writing Standards

Text Types and Purposes

4.W.1—Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.

- a. Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose.
- b. Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.



- c. Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).
- d. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.

4.W.2—Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

- a. Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
- b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.
- c. Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).
- d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
- e. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.

4.W.3—Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

- a. Orient the reader by establishing a situation and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.
- b. Use dialogue and description to develop experiences and events or show the responses of characters to situations.
- c. Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events.
- d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.
- e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events.

Production and Distribution of Writing

Research to Build and Present Knowledge



Range of Writing (begins in grade 3)

Standards for Speaking and Listening

Comprehension and Collaboration

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Language Standards

Conventions of Standard English

4.L.1—Demonstrate command of the conventions of standards English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

- a. Use relative pronouns (who, whose, whom, which, that) and relative adverbs (where, when, why).
- b. Form and use the progressive (e.g., I was walking; I am walking; I will be walking) verb tenses.
- c. Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must) to convey various conditions.
- d. Order adjectives within sentences according to conventional patterns (e.g., a small red bag rather than a red small bag).
- e. Form and use prepositional phrases.
- f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons
- g. Correctly use frequently confused words (e.g., to, too, two; there, their).

4.L.2—Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

- a. Use correct capitalization.
- b. Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a text.
- c. Use a comma before a coordination conjunction in a compound sentence.
- d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.



Knowledge of Language

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

4.L.4—Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grade 4 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

- a. Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatement in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
- b. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., telegraph, photograph, autograph).
- c. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.

