

Reading: Fiction, Drama, & Poetry

- Key Ideas & Details: Use textual evidence to support analysis, inferences, themes, and summaries, and to analyze the impacts of the author's choices.
- Craft & Structure: Analyze diction, structure, and point of view to determine their impact on meaning or tone.
- Integration of Knowledge & Ideas: Compare texts in different mediums or subjects.
- Range of Reading & Level of Text Complexity: Read and comprehend novels, stories, drama, and poems from American literature.

Reading: Informational Text

- Key Ideas & Details: Analyze textual evidence in non-fiction texts to support analysis, inferences, central ideas, relationships, summaries, and development.
- Craft & Structure: Analyze how the author advances purpose, power, persuasiveness, or beauty through diction, structure, and point of view.
- Integration of Knowledge & Ideas: Integrate, evaluate, and analyze multiple sources of information for themes, purposes, and rhetorical features.
- Range of Reading & Level of Text Complexity: Read and comprehend nonfiction, including seminal U.S. documents.

Writing

- Argument: Write arguments to support claims, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
- Informative/Explanatory: Write informative/explanatory texts to convey complex ideas, concepts, and information.
- Narrative: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events.
- Production and Distribution of Writing: Develop, strengthen, produce, publish, and update coherent, purposeful writing.
- Research to Build & Present Knowledge: Conduct short, as well as more substantial, research projects, drawing on evidence to support analysis and reflection.
- Range of Writing: Write routinely over extended and shorter time frames.

Speaking & Listening

- Collaboration: Initiate and participate in a range of collaborative discussions, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
- Comprehension: Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats.
- Presentation of Knowledge & Ideas: Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, logically, and appropriately, making strategic use of digital media.

Language

- Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English.
- Knowledge of Language: Use knowledge of language to make effective choices, including varying syntax for effect.
- Vocabulary Acquisition & Use: Accurately use and interpret academic words and phrases; independently gather vocabulary knowledge for words or phrases important to comprehension.