

Parent Guide to Grade 7 Standards



MILWAUKEE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

READING

What should my child learn in Grade 7?

Fluency

- Read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at grade level.

Vocabulary

- Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
- Use Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., belligerent, bellicose, rebel).
- Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its meaning or its part of speech.
- Verify the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

Comprehension

- Analyze to cite evidence from the text that is stated and to make inferences.
- Determine theme and central ideas of a text.
- Summarize a text based on facts.
- Analyze how particular elements of a story interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
- Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims.
- Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts.



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How Can I Help My Child Learn at Home?



- Provide time and space for your child to read independently that is free from distractions.
- Ask your child what topics, events, or activities he or she likes. Look for books, magazines, or other materials about topics that would motivate your child to read.
- Make time for conversation at home. Discuss current events, shared interests, and future aspirations for education and career.
- Visit museums, zoos, theaters, historical sites, aquariums, and other places to help increase your child's exposure to new knowledge and vocabulary.
- Use technology to help build your child's interest in reading. Students can read books or articles online at many websites.

The MPS Ambitious Instruction Plan strengthens core instruction and builds a strong foundation across academic areas with a focus on mastery of **reading**, **writing**, and **mathematics** skills.