

DIOCESE OF DES MOINES
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS STANDARDS

READING – LITERATURE
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE

KEY IDEAS AND DETAILS: Students will be able to:

1. Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
2. Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
3. Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
2. Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters in a story or drama respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a topic; summarize the text.
3. Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact).
4. Employ the full range of research-based comprehension strategies, including making connections, determining importance, questioning, visualizing, making inferences, summarizing, and monitoring for comprehension.

CRAFT AND STRUCTURE: Students will be able to:

1. Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
2. Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text relate to each other and the whole.
3. Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative language such as metaphors and similes.
2. Explain how a series of chapters, scenes, or stanzas fits together to provide the overall structure of a particular story, drama, or poem.
3. Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences how events are described.

INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS: Students will be able to:

1. Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
2. Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of evidence.
3. Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or compare the approaches authors take.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Analyze how visual and multimedia elements contribute to the meaning, tone, or beauty of a text (e.g., graphic novel, multimedia presentation of fiction, folktale, myth, poem).
2. Compare and contrast stories in the same genre (e.g., mysteries and adventure stories) on their approaches to similar themes and topics.

RANGE OF READING AND LEVEL OF TEXT COMPLEXITY: Students will be able to:

1. Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.

A fifth grade student will:

1. By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 4–5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

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READING – INFORMATIONAL TEXT
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE

KEY IDEAS AND DETAILS: Students will be able to:

1. Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.
2. Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
3. Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
2. Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
3. Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.
4. Employ the full range of research-based comprehension strategies, including making connections, determining importance, questioning, visualizing, making inferences, summarizing, and monitoring for comprehension.

CRAFT AND STRUCTURE: Students will be able to:

1. Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
2. Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text relate to each other and the whole.
3. Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a *grade 5 topic or subject area*.
2. Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or more texts.
3. Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent.

INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS: Students will be able to:

1. Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
2. Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, including the validity of the reasoning as well as the relevance and sufficiency of evidence.
3. Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or compare the approaches authors take.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently.
2. Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point(s).
3. Integrate information from several texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.

RANGE OF READING AND LEVEL OF TEXT COMPLEXITY: Students will be able to:

1. Read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently and proficiently.

A fifth grade student will:

1. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 4–5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

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**READING – FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE**

PHONICS AND WORD RECOGNITION

A fifth grade student will:

Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

- a. Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multi-syllabic words in context and out of context.

FLUENCY

A fifth grade student will:

Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

- a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
- b. Read on-level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.
- c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, re-reading as necessary.

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**ENGLISH - WRITING
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE**

TEXT TYPES AND PURPOSES: Students will be able to:

1. Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information by introducing a topic, providing logical reasons that are supported by facts and details, linking opinion and reasons, and providing a closing statement that is related to the opinion expressed.
2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly by introducing a topic with a clear observation or focus, developing the topic with facts, details or other information, linking ideas within and across categories related to the topic, using precise language to inform or explain the topic, and providing a closing statement.
3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences by establishing an event and introducing characters, including dialogue and experiences, using a variety of transitional words, using words to describe sensory information about the situation or characters, and providing a closing.

PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF WRITING: Students will be able to:

1. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
2. Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
3. Use technology, including the internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
2. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
3. With some guidance and support from adults, use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of two pages in a single sitting.

RESEARCH TO BUILD AND PRESENT KNOWLEDGE: Students will be able to:

1. Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
2. Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
3. Draw evidence from literacy or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
2. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.
3. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

RANGE OF WRITING: Students will be able to:

1. Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

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**ENGLISH – SPEAKING AND LISTENING
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE**

COMPREHENSION AND COLLABORATION: Students will be able to:

1. Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on each other's ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
2. Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
3. Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grade 5 topics and texts*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
 - a. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
 - b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.
 - a. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others.
 - b. Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.
2. Summarize a written text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
3. Summarize the points a speaker makes and explain how each claim is supported by reasons and evidence.

PRESENTATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS: Students will be able to:

1. Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
2. Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations.
3. Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Perform dramatic readings and presentations.
2. Report on a topic or text or present an opinion, sequencing ideas logically and using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.
3. Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, sound) and visual displays in presentations when appropriate to enhance the development of main ideas or themes.
4. Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, using formal English when appropriate to task and situation.

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**ENGLISH - LANGUAGE
GRADE – FIFTH GRADE**

CONVENTIONS OF STANDARD ENGLISH: Students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
 - a. Explain the function of conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections in general and their function in specific sentences.
 - b. Form and use correctly the perfect verb tenses (e.g., *I had walked; I have walked; I will have walked*).
 - c. Use verb tenses to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions.
 - d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense.
 - e. Use correlative conjunctions (e.g., *either/or; neither/nor*).
2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
 - a. Use punctuation to separate items in a series.
 - b. Use a comma to separate an introductory element from the rest of the sentence.
 - c. Use a comma to set off the words *yes* and *no*, to set off a tag question from the rest of a sentence, and to indicate direct address.
 - d. Use underlining, quotation marks, or italics to indicate titles of work.
 - e. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.

KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGE: Students will be able to:

1. Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
 - a. Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.
 - b. Compare and contrast the varieties of English used in stories, dramas, and poems.

VOCABULARY ACQUISITION AND USE: Students will be able to:

1. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
2. Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
3. Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression.

A fifth grade student will:

1. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grade 5 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.
 - a. Use context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
 - b. Use common grade appropriate affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word.
 - c. Consult reference materials, both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.
2. Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
 - a. Interpret figurative language, including similes and metaphors, in context.
 - b. Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.
 - c. Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.
3. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal contrast, addition, and other logical relationships.