English Language Arts – First Marking Period



Reading: Literature	Reading: Informational Text	Language
I can clearly determine what the text says. I can make inferences based on what the text says. I can cite strong and thorough evidence from the text. I can make an analysis of the text based on inferences. I can cite strong and thorough evidence to support my inferences and analyses. I can determine the theme or central idea of a text. I can interpret the figurative and connotative meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text. I can analyze the impact of word choice on the tone of a text. I can compare and contrast two pieces of art from different mediums that represent the same subject or key scene. I can identify what is emphasized or absent in two different artistic representations (text, song, movie, poem, visual art, etc.) of the same subject or key scene. I can read complex texts in 9th -10th grade with guidance. I can read complex texts in 9th-10th grade independently and proficiently.	I can clearly determine what the text says. I can cite strong and thorough evidence from the text based on my inferences. I can make inferences based on strong and thorough evidence from the text. I can identify the difference between fact and opinion. I can cite strong and thorough evidence to support my inferences and analyses. I can determine the theme or central idea of a text. I can identify the main ideas in the text. I can identify and determine the literal, figurative (including simile, metaphor, personification, hyperbole, idiom), and technical meanings of words. I can analyze the impact of word choice on the tone of a text. I can identify key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or chapters that develop key ideas or claims made by the author. I can identify the author's key claim or controlling idea. I can identify themes and concepts in seminal U.S. historical and literary documents. I can enalyze how they address the related themes and concepts similarly. I can read literary non-fiction proficiently with some scaffolding by the end of grades 9 and 10.	I can use parallel structure when writing and/or speaking. I can use various types of phrases such as participial, preposition, and adverbial to convey specific meanings and add interest to writing or presentations. I can use various types of clauses such as independent, dependent, and relative to convey specific meanings and add interest to writing or presentations. I can use a semicolon to link two or more closely related independent clauses. I can use a conjunctive adverb to link two or more closely related independent clauses. I can use a colon to introduce a list or a quotation. I can spell correctly. I can acquire and use academic and appropriate words or phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening at the college and career readiness level. I can independently gather vocabulary knowledge important to comprehension or expression.

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I can write within a short, designated time frame for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

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WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW AND BE ABLE TO DO IN 9TH GRADE

WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW AND BE ABLE TO DO IN 9TH GRADE		
Writing	Speaking and Listening	
I can introduce an exact claim. I can distinguish claims from alternate or opposing arguments. I can create an organized structure that shows relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. I can develop claims and counterclaims fairly and provide evidence. I can show strengths and limitations of claims and counterclaims. I can develop the topic with well-chosen and relevant facts, details, quotations, or other information and examples. I can engage and familiarize the reader to my narrative by introducing a problem, situation, or observation. I can establish one or multiple points of view. I can introduce a narrator and/or characters. I can create a smooth progression of experiences or events. I can use narratives techniques such as dialogue and pacing to develop experiences, events and/or characters. I can use a variety of transitions to develop a coherent sequence of events. I can use precise words and phrases. I can describe details using sensory language to convey a vivid picture. I can produce clear and coherent writing. I can attend to organization, style, purpose, and audience. I can recognize how and when to plan, revise, edit, rewrite, and try a new approach. I can recognize significant information for the needs of audience and purpose.	I can engage in a variety of discussions by listening and sharing acquired and prior knowledge of grade 9-10 topics and texts. I can determine goals, deadlines, and individual roles for discussion groups. I can describe ways to make collaborative decisions (e.g., informal consensus). I can evaluate collegial discussions and decision making processes used. I can follow agreed upon guidelines for discussion. I can formulate opinions, ideas, and conclusions based on prior and new evidence. I can question or respond to clarify, verify, or challenge conclusions posed by others. I can compare and contrast opinions and facts posed by peers on the designated issue or topic. I can respond thoughtfully to others' remarks and arguments, summarizing points of agreement and disagreement. I can identify information from multiple sources presented in diverse media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally).	
I can edit my writing using conventions of Standard English I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to literature. I can draw evidence from literature to support an analysis or reflection.	I can recognize clear, concise, and logical presentation of information and findings.	
I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to non-fiction texts. I can draw evidence to support from the text to support analysis, reflection, or answer to	I can evaluate supporting evidence, logical organization, development, and style for a given purpose, audience, and task.	
research question. I can write over an extended period of time to produce pieces of writing that may require research, reflection, and revision.	I can present: information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of	

reasoning.

English Language Arts – Second Marking Period



Reading: Literature	Reading: Informational Text	
I can analyze in detail the development of a theme or central idea over the course of the text.	I can identify over the course of the text the points where the central ideas are developed.	
I can identify the specific details that support the development of a theme or central idea. I can produce an objective summary of the text shaped by central themes or ideas. I can identify the attributes of a complex character. I can analyze how complex characters develop over the course of a text. I can analyze how complex characters interact with other characters. I can analyze how complex characters advance the plot or develop the theme. I can identify and analyze figurative language (including simile, metaphor, personification, hyperbole, and idiom). I can identify and analyze connotative language (including denotation, connotation, symbolism, irony, and imagery). I can identify and analyze the impact of poetic and literary devices (including alliteration, assonance, consonance, onomatopoeia, rhyme, repetition, rhythm, diction, dialect, rhetoric, satire, and parallel structure). I can analyze the impact of word choice on the meaning of a text. I can compare and contrast two pieces of art from different mediums that represent the same subject or key scene.	I can analyze in detail the development of a theme or central idea over the course of the text. I can identify the specific details that support the development of a theme or central idea. I can produce an objective summary of the text shaped by central themes or ideas. I can identify the author's point-of-view about the main ideas. I can analyze how the author unfolds his/her ideas through text structures such as expository, cause-effect, problem-solution, and compare-contrast. I can identify and analyze the connections the author makes between ideas and supporting details. I can analyze the cumulative effect of word choice including connotative language (including denotation, connotation, symbolism, irony, imagery) on meaning and tone. I can identify key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or chapters that develop key ideas or claims made by the author. I can identify the author's key claim or controlling idea.	
I can identify what is emphasized or absent in two different artistic representations (text, song, movie, poem, visual art, etc.) of the same subject or key scene. I can read complex texts in 9th -10th grade with guidance. I can read complex texts in 9th- 10th grade independently and proficiently.	I can analyze how the author's key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or chapters, develop and influence the controlling idea or claim. I can identify the author's point-of-view and purpose. I can identify themes and concepts in seminal U.S. historical and literary documents.	
	I can analyze how they address the related themes and concepts similarly I can read literary non-fiction proficiently with some scaffolding by the end of grades 9 and 10	

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Speaking and Listening	Language
I can engage in a variety of discussions by listening and sharing acquired and prior knowledge of grade 9-10 topics and texts. I can determine goals, deadlines, and individual roles for discussion groups. I can describe ways to make collaborative decisions (e.g., informal consensus). I can evaluate collegial discussions and decision making processes used. I can follow agreed upon guidelines for discussion. I can formulate opinions, ideas, and conclusions based on prior and new evidence. I can question or respond to clarify, verify, or challenge conclusions posed by others. I can compare and contrast opinions and facts posed by peers on the designated issue or topic. I can respond thoughtfully to others' remarks and arguments, summarizing points of agreement and disagreement. I can identify information from multiple sources presented in diverse media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally). I can recognize clear, concise, and logical presentation of information and findings. I can evaluate supporting evidence, logical organization, development, and style for a given purpose, audience, and task. I can present: information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning.	I can write and edit work that conforms to style guidelines. I can use context as a clue to determine the meaning of a word or a phrase. I can identify and correctly use patterns of words changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech. I can use reference materials to find words' pronunciation, meaning, part of speech, or etymology. I can verify my determination of the meaning of a word or phrase by checking resource materials. I can acquire and use academic and appropriate words or phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening at the college and career readiness level. I can independently gather vocabulary knowledge important to comprehension or expression.

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WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW AND BE ABLE TO DO IN 9TH GRADE

Writing

I can create an organized structure that shows relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.

I can develop claims and counterclaims fairly and provide evidence.

I can show strengths and limitations of claims and counterclaims.

I can introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions.

I can use appropriate formatting including headings and tables to aid in comprehension.

I can anticipate the audience's knowledge of the topic while developing my support.

I can use appropriate transitions to link major sections of the text.

I can create cohesion and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.

I can use exact language and topic-appropriate vocabulary.

I can establish and maintain a formal style in my writing.

I can write using an objective tone.

I can maintain writing norms and use appropriate writing conventions.

I can write a conclusion statement or paragraph that summarizes the information presented in the writing.

I can produce clear and coherent writing.

I can attend to organization, style, purpose, and audience.

I can recognize how and when to plan, revise, edit, rewrite, and try a new approach.

I can recognize significant information for the needs of audience and purpose.

I can edit my writing using conventions of Standard English.

I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to literature.

I can draw evidence from literature to support an analysis or reflection.

I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to non-fiction texts.

I can draw evidence to support from the text to support analysis, reflection, or answer to research question.

I can write over an extended period of time to produce pieces of writing that may require research, reflection, and revision.

I can write within a short, designated time frame for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

English Language Arts – Third Marking Period



Reading: Informational Text	Reading: Literature
I can analyze how the author unfolds his/her ideas through text structures such as expository, cause-effect, problem-solution, and compare-contrast.	I can analyze how an author's choices about structuring a text create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise, among others.
<i>I can</i> analyze the cumulative effect of word choice including connotative language (including denotation, connotation, symbolism, irony, imagery) on meaning and tone.	I can analyze how an author's choices about ordering events in a text create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise, among others.
I can identify key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or chapters that develop key ideas or claims made by the author.	I can analyze how an author's choices about manipulating time in a text create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise, among others.
I can identify the author's key claim or controlling idea. I can analyze how the author's key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or	<i>I can</i> compare and contrast two pieces of art from different mediums that represent the same subject or key scene.
chapters, develop and influence the controlling idea or claim. I can identify the rhetorical devices and appeals used by the author to reinforce the author's point-of-view and purpose.	<i>I can</i> identify what is emphasized or absent in two different artistic representations (text, song, movie, poem, visual art, etc.) of the same subject or key scene.
I can analyze how the author's choice of words and appeals advance his/her purpose and point-of-view.	I can read complex texts in 9th -10th grade with guidance. I can read complex texts in 9th- 10th grade independently and proficiently.
I can identify a subject using different mediums to tell the same story. I can determine which details are emphasized in each account.	Language
I can analyze the impact of the differing details on the meanings of diverse accounts. I can analyze the impact on the diverse accounts through the use of a specific media. I can identify rhetorical devices and argument structures used to present claim/claims. I can evaluate the validity, relevance, and sufficiency of the reasoning and evidence. I can identify whether or not a statement or its reasoning is fallacious. I can identify themes and concepts in seminal U.S. historical and literary documents.	I can spell correctly. I can interpret figures of speech within the context of the text. I can analyze the role different figures of speech play in the text. I can analyze the subtle differences between words with similar meanings. I can acquire and use academic and appropriate words or phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening at the college and career readiness
I can analyze how they address the related themes and concepts similarly. I can read literary non-fiction proficiently with some scaffolding by the end of grades 9 and 10.	level. I can independently gather vocabulary knowledge important to comprehension or expression.

English Language Arts – Third Marking Period



Writing	Speaking and Listening
I can anticipate the audience's knowledge level and concerns. I can introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions. I can use appropriate formatting including headings and tables to aid in comprehension. I can anticipate the audience's knowledge of the topic while developing my support. I can create cohesion and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. I can use exact language and topic-appropriate vocabulary. I can establish and maintain a formal style in my writing. I can write using an objective tone. I can maintain writing norms and use appropriate writing conventions. I can write a conclusion statement or paragraph that summarizes the information presented in the writing. I can produce clear and coherent writing. I can recognize how and when to plan, revise, edit, rewrite, and try a new approach. I can recognize significant information for the needs of audience and purpose. I can edit my writing using conventions of Standard English. I can identify both short and sustained research topics based on a question or a problem. I can find and interpret multiple sources (electronic or in print) to answer my question or solve my problem. I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to literature. I can draw evidence from literature to support an analysis or reflection. I can apply grade-appropriate reading standards to non-fiction texts. I can draw evidence to support from the text to support analysis, reflection, or answer to research question. I can write over an extended period of time to produce pieces of writing that may require research, reflection, and revision. I can write within a short, designated time frame for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.	I can engage in a variety of discussions by listening and sharing acquired and prior knowledge of grade 9-10 topics and texts. I can reference evidence from texts and research to support comments and ideas. I can identify key supporting ideas from reading and research as well as in context of larger themes and issues. I can know how to ask thought provoking questions. I can identify conclusions posed during discussions or in text. I can formulate opinions, ideas, and conclusions based on prior and new evidence. I can evaluate personal conclusions and the conclusions of others. I can respond thoughtfully to others' remarks and arguments, summarizing points of agreement and disagreement. I can identify information from multiple sources presented in diverse media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally). I can evaluate the credibility of each source. I can evaluate the accuracy of each source. I can spell correctly. I can interpret figures of speech within the context of the text. I can analyze the role different figures of speech play in the text. I can analyze the subtle differences between words with similar meanings. I can acquire and use academic and appropriate words or phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening at the college and career readiness level. I can independently gather vocabulary knowledge important to comprehension or expression. I can recognize clear, concise, and logical presentation of information and findings. I can evaluate supporting evidence, logical organization, development, and style for a given purpose, audience, and task. I can present: information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning. I can evaluate the usefulness of digital media in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence. I can use digital media strategically to enhance understanding and add interest. I can describe audience, situation, and purpose. I can analyze the situation to determine if it

English Language Arts – Fourth Marking Period



Reading: Literature	Reading: Informational Text	Language
I can identify a particular point of view, bias, or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States. I can identify points of view, biases, and cultural experiences reflected in multiple texts from outside the United States. I can analyze how points of view, biases, and cultural experiences of authors and/or characters are shaped by world experiences as reflected in the texts. I can compare and contrast two pieces of art from different mediums that represent the same subject or key scene. I can identify what is emphasized or absent in two different artistic representations (text, song, movie, poem, visual art, etc.) of the same subject or key scene. I can identify when and how an author draws on and/or transforms source material in a specific work. I can analyze how the source material has changed from the original work. I can read complex texts in 9th -10th grade with guidance. I can read complex texts in 9th-10th grade independently and proficiently.	I can analyze how the author unfolds his/her ideas through text structures such as expository, cause-effect, problemsolution, and compare-contrast. I can analyze how the author's key words, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or chapters, develop and influence the controlling idea or claim. I can identify themes and concepts in seminal U.S. historical and literary documents. I can analyze how they address the related themes and concepts similarly. I can read literary non-fiction proficiently with some scaffolding by the end of grades 9 and 10.	I can acquire and use academic and appropriate words or phrases when reading, writing, speaking and listening at the college and career readiness level. I can independently gather vocabulary knowledge important to comprehension or expression.

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Writing	Speaking and Listening
can use words, phrases and clauses to link sections of text, create cohesion, and clarify relationships. can establish and maintain formal style and an objective tone. can attend to norms and conventions of the discipline. can provide a concluding statement that follows from and supports the argument presented. can produce clear and coherent writing. can attend to organization, style, purpose, and audience. can recognize how and when to plan, revise, edit, rewrite, and try a new approach. can recognize significant information for the needs of audience and purpose. can edit my writing using conventions of Standard English. can use technology, including the Internet, to produce, revise, edit, and publish writing. can use technology to display information dynamically adjusting as needed. can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can produce clear and coherent writing. can attend to organization, style, purpose, and audience. can recognize how and when to plan, revise, edit, rewrite, and try a new approach. can recognize significant information for the needs of audience and purpose. can edit my writing using conventions of Standard English. can use technology, including the Internet, to produce, revise, edit, and publish writing. can use technology to display information dynamically adjusting as needed. can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can use technology to interact and collaborate with others for an intended purpose can write over an extended period of time to produce pieces of writing that may require research, reflection, and revision.	I can engage in a variety of discussions by listening and sharing acquired and prior knowledge of grade 9-10 topics and texts. I can reference evidence from texts and research to support comments and ideas. I can identify key supporting ideas from reading and research as well as in context of larger themes and issues. I can know how to ask thought provoking questions. I can identify conclusions posed during discussions or in text. I can formulate opinions, ideas, and conclusions based on prior and new evidence. I can evaluate personal conclusions and the conclusions of others. I can respond thoughtfully to others' remarks and arguments, summarizing points of agreement and disagreement. I can identify information from multiple sources presented in diverse media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally). I can evaluate the credibility of each source. I can evaluate the accuracy of each source. I can evaluate supporting evidence, logical presentation of information and findings. I can evaluate supporting evidence, logical organization, development, and style for a given purpose, audience, and task. I can present: information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning. I can evaluate the usefulness of digital media in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence. I can use digital media strategically to enhance understanding and add interest. I can describe audience, situation, and purpose. I can identify qualities of formal and informal speech. I can evaluate audience needs (including perceptions and misconceptions).