

Foundational Language Skills		
Placement Grade	Lesson Title	Lesson Description
K, 1, 2	Sounds and Syllables in Words A	Decode two-syllable words; identify long and short vowels and syllable demarcation.
K, 1, 2	Breaking Down Words, part 1 A	Identify the meanings of common affixes; use word parts to find word meanings.
K, 1, 2	Breaking Down Words, part 2 A	Identify word meanings using knowledge of word parts and context.
K, 1, 2	Reading with Focus A	Establish a purpose for reading; use self-correction strategies while reading; read aloud with appropriate expression.
3, 4, 5	Sounds and Syllables in Words B	Sound out words; decode silent-e word structures; identify syllable demarcation.
3, 4, 5	Breaking Down Words, part 1 B	Identify the meanings of common affixes; use word parts to find word meanings.
3, 4, 5	Breaking Down Words, part 2 B	Identify word meanings using knowledge of word parts and context.
3, 4, 5	Reading with Focus B	Establish a purpose for reading; use self-correction strategies while reading; read aloud with appropriate expression.
6, 7, 8	Breaking Down Words, part 1 C	Identify the meanings of common affixes; use word parts to find word meanings.
6, 7, 8	Breaking Down Words, part 2 C	Identify word meanings using knowledge of word parts and context.
Foundational Language Skills - Vocabulary		
K, 1, 2	Using Clues to Understand New Words	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
3	Using Context Clues to Find Word Meanings A	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
4	Using Context Clues to Find Word Meanings B	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
5	Context Clues and Multiple-Meaning Words	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words.

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5	Word Parts and Reference Materials	Use affixes and roots to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; use reference materials to locate information about a word.
6	Using Reference Materials	Use reference materials, such as a dictionary and a thesaurus, to clarify word meaning; choose the best resource for a specific task.
6	Exploring Word Relationships and Figurative Language	Identify and use context clues to determine or clarify the meaning of unfamiliar words; identify and interpret figurative language; understand how knowledge of figurative language improves comprehension and writing.
6	Understanding Greek and Latin Affixes and Roots	Recognize Greek and Latin roots and affixes, and use them to determine the meaning of words; explain how roots and affixes affect word meaning.
7	Word Relationships: Using Context	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; recognize the difference between connotation and denotation.
7	Word Meanings	Use Greek and Latin affixes and roots to define words, including common academic words; use a dictionary to determine word meanings.
8	Context Clues, Roots, and Affixes	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; use Greek and Latin roots to define academic words; explore how affixes change word meanings.
8	Reference Resources	Use resources, including a thesaurus, to find information about a word, make effective word choices, and improve the accuracy of word use.
9	Understanding Multiple-Meaning and Discipline-Specific Words	Use context clues to distinguish between the denotative meanings of multiple-meaning words and between denotative and connotative meanings; use reference materials to clarify discipline-specific words.
10	Determine Meaning: Words and Phrases	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; determine connotative meanings; interpret figurative language to determine the meanings of words and phrases.
10	Clarifying Meaning with Reference Materials	Use reference resources to differentiate among words with similar meanings and to determine the precise word meaning for a given context.
11, 12	Text Details and Context Clues in an Informational Text	Identify and use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words; analyze the author's use of supporting details, descriptive details, and images in a text.

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11, 12	Understanding Multiple-Meaning Words	Use reference resources and identify context clues to determine the appropriate definition of a multiple-meaning word in a given context.
Comprehension and Response Skills		
K, 1, 2	Finding Details in a Fiction Text	Recount and order the key details in an informational text; find the central message of the text.
K, 1, 2	Making Inferences about a Fiction Text	Make inferences from a literary text, and identify the details that support the inferences.
K, 1, 2	Finding Details in an Informational Text	Identify, recount, and order the key details in an informational text; determine the main topic of the text.
K, 1, 2	Making Inferences about an Informational Text	Make inferences from an informational text, and identify the details that support the inferences.
3	Summarizing a Fiction Text A	Summarize a story, and trace its plot.
3	Theme in a Fiction Text A	Determine the theme of a story by identifying supporting details; read and reread a story to identify important story elements.
3	Characterization in a Fiction Text	Draw inferences about characters in a literary text by identifying supporting details; distinguish direct from indirect characterization.
3	Making Inferences about an Informational Text A	Draw inferences from an informational text by identifying supporting details.
3	Summarizing and Paraphrasing an Informational Text A	Summarize an informational text, and paraphrase its most important details.
3	Central Ideas in an Informational Text A	Determine the main idea of an informational text by identifying supporting details; make text-to-self and text-to-world connections.
4	Making Inferences about Characters in a Fiction Text	Draw inferences about characters in a literary text by identifying supporting details; distinguish direct from indirect characterization.
4	Summarizing a Fiction Text B	Summarize a story, and trace its plot.
4	Theme in a Fiction Text B	Determine the theme of a story by identifying supporting details; read and reread a story to identify important story elements.
4	Setting in a Fiction Text	Identify the setting of a story and supporting details; make text-to-self connections to visualize a story's setting.

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4	Making Inferences about an Informational Text B	Draw inferences from an informational text by identifying supporting details.
4	Summarizing and Paraphrasing an Informational Text B	Summarize and paraphrase an informational text.
4	Central Ideas in an Informational Text B	Determine the main idea of an informational text by identifying supporting details; make text-to-self and text-to-world connections.
5	Making Inferences about Character Relationships in a Literary Text	Draw inferences using supporting details in a literary text, and analyze its character relationships.
5	Identifying Plot Elements in a Literary Text	Summarize a literary text, and recognize its plot elements.
5	Inferring Themes in a Literary Text	Infer multiple themes in a literary text, and identify the details that support a theme.
5	Theme and Topic in Literary Texts	Identify common themes and topics across two stories in the same genre; compare and contrast how these stories approach a similar theme or topic.
5	Making Inferences about Relationships in an Informational Text	Make inferences about relationships in an informational text by identifying supporting details.
5	Main Ideas in an Informational Text	Determine the main idea of an informational text by identifying the supporting details; summarize an informational text.
5	Combining Information from Two Texts	Compare and contrast ideas across two informational texts on the same topic; synthesize information from two informational texts to form a new understanding of a topic.
6	Making Inferences about a Poem	Draw inferences from a literary text, and identify supporting details; determine the theme and identify figurative language in a poem.
6	Summarizing and Finding the Theme in a Literary Text	Summarize and determine the theme of a literary text; identify details supporting the theme.
6	Inferring Theme in an Informational Text	Draw inferences from an informational text, and identify supporting details; analyze influences that shape an author; determine an essay's theme.

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6	Important Ideas and Details in an Informational Text	Identify and use supporting details to determine key ideas in an informational text; understand the purpose and organization of a biography, and form an opinion regarding a person based on a biography.
6	Summarizing and Drawing Conclusions in an Informational Text	Summarize an informational text; interpret a timeline; draw conclusions based on a scientific text.
6	Comparing and Synthesizing Informational Texts	Compare two informational texts about the same events, and synthesize the information; understand how texts show problems and solutions.
6	Synthesizing Information to Create New Ideas	Synthesize information to create new ideas; apply prior knowledge and make text connections to improve comprehension of a topic.
7	Inferring Theme in a Literary Text	Make inferences from a literary text, and determine its theme; identify details supporting inferences.
7	Key Ideas in a Literary Text	Determine the key ideas in a literary text by identifying supporting details; examine how an author creates characters, evaluate characters through their dialogue and action, and interpret changes in their relationships.
7	Summarizing and Analyzing Characters in a Dramatic Text	Summarize a dramatic text; identify its elements, and analyze the characters.
7	Making and Supporting Inferences about an Informational Text	Make inferences from an informational text, and identify supporting details.
7	Summarizing and Finding the Central Idea of an Informational Text	Summarize an informational text; determine its central idea, and identify supporting details; determine the author's purpose.
7	Combining Sources to Understand a Topic	Combine sources to understand a topic, and support understanding by using a web resource; visualize a historical person by using primary and secondary sources; recognize humor in a text.
7	Comparing Fiction and Nonfiction	Determine and compare the central ideas in fiction and nonfiction; determine the theme and identify supporting details in a literary text.
8	Comparing Myths and Making Inferences about Cultures	Draw inferences from a literary text, and identify supporting details; compare and contrast myths from different cultures to identify the values shown.

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8	Summarizing and Analyzing Character Relationships in a Literary Text	Summarize a literary text, and analyze the relationships between characters and events.
8	Characterization, Theme, and Irony in a Literary Text	Determine the theme of a literary text, and identify supporting details; use text evidence to make inferences about characters; analyze the use of irony in a story.
8	Making Inferences and Determining Viewpoint in an Informational Text	Draw inferences from an informational text, and determine the author's viewpoint; identify details supporting the inferences; notice different characters' attitudes in an autobiography.
8	Summarizing and Paraphrasing an Informational Text	Summarize and paraphrase an informational text.
8	Paraphrasing, Summarizing, and Exploring Images in an Informational Text	Paraphrase an informational text; differentiate between paraphrasing and summarizing; explore how ideas are conveyed through words and images.
8	Text Features and Synthesis in an Informational Text	Synthesize information presented textually and visually; describe the purpose of text features, and use them to interpret important details.
8	Comparing Perspectives in Informational Texts	Identify where information conflicts in two informational texts on the same topic; analyze how the texts disagree on facts and differ in the interpretation of facts.
9	Making Inferences and Determining Word Meanings in a Literary Text	Draw inferences and identify details that support inferences in a literary text; use context to understand unfamiliar words; compare the writing styles of different time periods.
9	Summarizing and Analyzing Cultural Experience in a Myth	Summarize a literary text; identify the features of a myth, and analyze how a cultural experience is reflected in a text of this type.
9	Text Structure and Making Inferences in an Informational Text	Draw inferences from an informational text, and identify details that support them; analyze text structure.
9	Summarizing Central Ideas and Purpose in an Informational Text	Summarize an informational text, and recognize the author's purpose; define and understand the purpose of using technical language in an informational text.
10	Making Inferences about Characters in Literary Texts	Draw inferences about characters and identify details supporting inferences in a literary text; analyze plot structure and thematic development.

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10	Summarizing and Paraphrasing a Literary Text	Summarize and paraphrase a literary text; analyze foreshadowing, and summarize conflicts.
10	Inferences and Central Ideas in an Informational Text	Draw inferences from an informational text and identify supporting details; analyze the development of a central idea; objectively summarize a nonfiction text.
10	Summarizing and Recognizing Rhetorical Techniques in a Speech	Summarize an informational text; analyze its rhetorical techniques and the effect of word choice on an audience.
11, 12	Inferences and Cultural Connections in a Literary Text	Draw inferences and identify supporting details in a literary text; recognize the characteristics of the Anglo-Saxon period; analyze the development of the English language.
11, 12	Paraphrasing and Objectively Summarizing a Literary Text	Summarize and objectively paraphrase a literary text.
11, 12	Inferences and Central Ideas in an Essay	Draw inferences from an informational text, and identify supporting details; summarize the central ideas in an essay, and analyze their development.
11, 12	Analyzing and Summarizing Central Ideas in an Informational Text	Determine the central idea of an informational text, and analyze its development; summarize an informational text.
Multiple Genres - Literary Elements		
4	Figurative Language in a Fiction Text	Identify and interpret figurative language in a story by connecting it with prior knowledge.
5	Central Ideas and Figurative Language in Poetry	Identify figurative language, and analyze its role in a poem; determine the central idea of a poem.
6	Story Elements in a Literary Text	Identify a story's plot elements; analyze the motivations and responses of its characters; analyze how the setting, plot, and characters interact.
6	Setting in a Literary Text	Describe a story's setting, and explain its influence on plot and character development.
6	Figurative Language and Making Connections in a Literary Text	Identify and interpret figurative language in a literary text; build background knowledge about a historical landmark; make connections to understand a poem's significance.

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6	Perspective and Voice in a Literary Text	Explain how an author conveys the speaker's perspective in a story; describe the voice of a speaker or character in a story; analyze why an author assigns a specific point of view to a narrator.
7	Characters and Plot in a Literary Text	Describe characters in a literary text, and analyze their influence on events.
7	Analyzing the Role of Setting in a Literary Text	Analyze the role of setting and the contribution of stage directions in a play; identify how information is communicated through dialogue.
7	Structure and Metaphor in a Poem	Identify and interpret metaphors in a literary text; evaluate the effect of repetition; examine free verse structure.
7	Analyzing Word Choice in a Literary Text	Analyze the effect of word choice in a poem, and determine its theme; examine the elements of poetry.
8	Allusion and Metaphor in Poetry	Identify and interpret figurative language in a literary text; analyze the use of allusion and metaphor; analyze the role of poetry in cultural and societal changes.
9	Theme Development in a Literary Text	Determine the theme of a literary text, and analyze how it is developed.
9	Characterization, Conflict, and Resolution in a Literary Text	Analyze complex characters and interpret different types of conflict in a story; examine plot structure to interpret an implied resolution.
9	Foreshadowing, Imagery, and Symbolism in a Literary Text	Analyze the use of non-linear plot structure in a literary text; identify the literal and symbolic meanings of symbols; identify examples of foreshadowing and its purpose.
10	Analyzing Word Choice and Theme in a Play	Determine themes and analyze their development in a literary text; analyze the impact of word choice on meaning and tone; cite evidence to support a comparative analysis of texts.
10	Theme and Satire in a Literary Text	Determine the theme of a literary text, and identify details supporting the theme; explain the use of situational irony as a satirical device, and analyze the relationship between characters and satire.
10	Suspense and Plot Development in a Myth	Analyze how particular scenes create suspense in a literary text; recognize how characters advance and develop the plot; observe the influence of mythical literature on contemporary literature.

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10	Comparing Archetypes in Literature	Identify archetypes and recognize their characteristics in a literary text, and explain how they reveal universal themes; compare and contrast archetypes and themes between culturally diverse texts.
11, 12	Themes and Philosophical Ideas in a Literary Text	Determine the theme and identify supporting details in a literary text; identify philosophical concepts in a text.
11, 12	Characters and Multiple Perspectives in a Literary Text	Compare and contrast characters in a literary text; identify ancient Greek beliefs in literature; analyze the effects of multiple perspectives.
11, 12	Understanding Character, Setting, and Plot	Identify the literary elements and plot elements of a story; analyze how literary elements shape the plot.
Multiple Genres - Informational Texts		
3	Argument in an Informational Text A	Recognize the claim and supporting evidence in an argumentative text.
4	Compare-and-Contrast Structure in an Informational Text	Recognize compare-and-contrast structure in an informational text; create mental models to understand this text structure.
4	Argument in an Informational Text B	Recognize the claim and supporting evidence in an argumentative text.
5	Comparing Informational Text Structures	Determine the structure of an informational text; compare and contrast the structures of two informational texts.
5	Visual Aids in an Informational Text	Explain how visual elements contribute to an informational text; interpret visual information.
6	Central Idea and Visual Details in an Informational Text	Determine the central idea of an informational text, and identify supporting details; use photographs to understand historical context; analyze details presented both textually and visually.
6	How Authors Organize Information	Analyze organizational patterns and text features that provide background information in an informational text.
6	Tone, Mood, and Purpose in an Informational Text	Identify the author's tone, mood, and purpose in an informational text; use context clues to understand technical jargon.
7	Structure, Purpose, and Message in an Informational Text	Explain the author's purpose and message in an informational text, and analyze its organizational patterns.

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7	Informational Text Features	Identify and describe the features of an informational text; analyze a text's organization to explain how both text features and organization support ideas.
7	Mood, Voice, and Tone in an Informational Text	Identify the mood, voice, and tone in an informational text, and analyze the contribution of the author's word choice to these elements.
8	Central Ideas and Author's Purpose in an Informational Text	Determine the central idea of an informational text, and identify supporting evidence; cite evidence of what the text explicitly says; determine and examine the author's purpose.
8	Structure and Author's Purpose in a Speech	Draw conclusions about an author's purpose, and evaluate structure in a speech; connect details to a central idea.
8	Structure and Text Features in an Informational Text	Analyze the structure and text features in an informational text; manage a text by using strategies.
9	Central Idea and Word Choice in an Informational Text	Trace and determine the central idea of an informational text; differentiate between connotation and denotation; analyze how context affects meaning.
9	Word Choice and Author's Purpose in an Informational Text	Identify central ideas and author's purpose in an informational text; analyze how a writer's word choice affects mood.
10	Central Ideas in an Autobiographical Essay	Determine the central idea of an informational text, and analyze its development; compare the presentations of a subject by two authors.
10	Analyzing Idea Development in an Essay	Analyze how an author unfolds a series of ideas in an informational text; determine the central idea and purpose of a text; evaluate the effectiveness of an essay.
10	Analyzing Ideas, Structure, and Purpose in an Informational Text	Determine an author's purpose and identify supporting evidence in an informational text; summarize central idea, and analyze how text structure contributes to the development of central ideas.
11, 12	Central Idea and Argumentative Structure in an Informational Text	Analyze how text structure relates to the author's argument or purpose; summarize the central ideas in an informational text, and analyze their development.
11, 12	Rhetoric and Author's Purpose in an Informational Text	Examine the purpose of a text through the author's choice of words; analyze rhetorical technique, and interpret figurative language to make meaning of a text.