## Model Curriculum Grade 3 ELA Units

## Grade 3 Overview

The recursive nature of English Language Arts instruction demands that standards be addressed at many levels and in many units throughout a grade level. Students will need to learn a strategy or skill, for example, and apply it in varying circumstances and within varying levels of text complexity. There are ELA standards that demand much more instructional and practice time than a six-week unit affords. Sometimes the skill is applied orally and then in writing, but there are many ways that students acquire skills. The standards will have SLOs written to address the level and expectation that students should meet. In addition, each grade level will have standards that are repeated in every unit; however, the standards will not be assessed at every six week interval. In the classroom, formative assessments should validate a teacher's knowledge of how students are progressing on a much more frequent basis.

In Grade 3, the following standards are repeated in each unit, but will not be assessed in each unit:

Reading: Literature

RL 3.1 assessed in Unit 1

RL 3.4 assessed in Unit 3

RL 3.10 assessed in Unit 5

Reading: Informational Text

RI 3.1 assessed in Unit 1

RI 3.4 assessed in Units 3 and 5

RI 3.10 assessed in Unit 5

Reading: Foundational Skills

RF 3.3 a-d assessed in Unit 5

RF 3.4 a-c assessed in Unit 1

Writing

W 3.10 assessed in Units 2, 4 and 5

Speaking and Listening

SL 3.1 a-c assessed in Unit 2

- SL 3.3 assessed in Unit 1
- SL 3.6 assessed in Unit 4

## Language

- L 3.2 e-g assessed in Unit 5
- L 3.4 a-d assessed in Unit 1
- L 3.5 assessed in Unit 2
- L 3.6 assessed in Unit 4

Please note that the document shows the progression of the complexity of a standard from one grade level to the next through the use of **bold type**.

|                       | 1       | Third Grade Unit 1   |
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| Reading Literature    | RL.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RL.3.2  | Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.                                 |
|                       | RL.3.4  | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.  |
|                       | RL.3.7  | Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).  |
|                       | RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, <b>dramas</b> , and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text complexity <b>band independently and</b> proficiently                            |
| Reading Informational | RI.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RI.3.2  | Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.   |
|                       | RI.3.4  | Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 3</i> topic or subject area   |
|                       | RI.3.7  | Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur   |
|                       | RI.3.10 | 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 2–3 text complexity band <b>independently and</b> proficiently. |
| Foundational Skills   | RF.3.3  | Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.   |
|                       |         | A. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes   |
|                       |         | B. Decode words with common Latin suffixes.  |
|                       |         | C. Decode multisyllable words.   |
|                       |         | D. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.   |

| Foundational Skills | RF.3.4  | Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension  |
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| Foundational Skills | 101.5.4 |   |
|                     |         | A. Read <b>grade-</b> level text with purpose and understanding.  |
|                     |         | B. Read grade-level <b>prose and poetry</b> orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.   |
|                     |         | C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.   |
| Writing             | W.3.1   | Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.   |
|                     |         | A. Introduce the topic or text they are writing about, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons.   |
|                     |         | B. Provide reasons that support the opinion.  |
|                     |         | C. Use linking words <b>and phrases</b> (e.g., <i>because</i> , <i>therefore</i> , <i>since</i> , <i>for example</i> ) to connect opinion and reasons.  |
|                     |         | D. Provide a concluding statement or section.   |
|                     | W.3.3   | Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.   |
|                     |         | A. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.   |
|                     |         | B. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.   |
|                     |         | C. Use temporal words <b>and phrases</b> to signal event order.   |
|                     |         | D. Provide a sense of closure.  |
|                     | W.3.4   | With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.) |
|                     | W.3.5   | With guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and</b> strengthen writing as needed by <b>planning</b> , revising, and editing.  |
|                     | W.3.10  | 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,                    |

| Writing                   |        | and audiences.   |
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| Speaking and<br>Listening | SL 3.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 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 (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).                       |
|                           |        | C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.   |
|                           |        | D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.   |
|                           | SL.3.3 | Ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail.  |
|                           | SL.3.6 | <b>Speak in</b> complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification  |
| Language                  | L.3.1  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.   |
|                           |        | A. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.   |
|                           |        | B. Form and use <b>regular</b> and irregular plural nouns.   |
|                           |        | C. Use abstract nouns (e.g., childhood).   |
|                           | L.3.2  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.   |
|                           |        | A. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.   |
|                           |        | B. Use commas in addresses.  |
|                           |        | C. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.   |
|                           |        | D. Form and use possessives.   |
|                           |        | E. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).   |
|                           |        | F. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful   |

| Language           |        | word parts) in writing words.  |
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| Lunguage           |        | G. Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.  |
| Language           | L.3.4  | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.  |
|                    |        | A. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.  |
|                    |        | B. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).   |
|                    |        | C. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., <i>company</i> , <i>companion</i> ).  |
|                    |        | D. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.   |
|                    | L.3.5. | Demonstrate understanding of <b>figurative language</b> , word relationships and nuances in word meanings.   |
|                    |        | A. Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., <i>take steps</i> ).   |
|                    |        | B. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are <i>friendly</i> or <i>helpful</i> ).  |
|                    |        | C. Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).  |
|                    | L.3.6. | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that night we went looking for them</i> ). |
|                    |        | Grade Three Unit 2   |
| Reading Literature | RL.3.1 | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                    | RL.3.3 | Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.  |
|                    | RL.3.4 | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.  |
|                    | RL.3.6 | <b>Distinguish their own</b> point of view <b>from that of the narrator or those of the characters.</b>  |

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| Reading Literature    | RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, <b>dramas</b> , and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text complexity <b>band independently and</b> proficiently                            |
| Reading Informational | RI.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RI.3.3  | Describe the <b>relationship</b> between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.            |
|                       | RI.3.4  | Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 3</i> topic or subject area   |
|                       | RI.3.6. | Distinguish their own point of view from that of the author of a text.   |
|                       | RI.3.8. | Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).  |
|                       | RI.3.10 | 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 2–3 text complexity band <b>independently and</b> proficiently. |
| Foundational Skills   | RF.3.3  | Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.   |
|                       |         | A. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes   |
|                       |         | B. Decode words with common Latin suffixes.  |
|                       |         | C. Decode multisyllable words.   |
|                       |         | D. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.   |
|                       | RF.3.4  | Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension   |
|                       |         | A. Read <b>grade</b> -level text with purpose and understanding.   |
|                       |         | B. Read <b>grade</b> -level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.   |
|                       |         | C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.  |
| Writing               | W.3.2   | Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.  A. Introduce a topic and group related information together;   |

| Writing                |        | include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.  |
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|                        |        | B. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.  |
|                        |        | C. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas within categories of information.   |
|                        |        | D. Provide a concluding statement or section.   |
|                        | W.3.3  | Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.   |
|                        |        | A. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.   |
|                        |        | B. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.   |
|                        |        | C. Use temporal words <b>and phrases</b> to signal event order.   |
|                        |        | D. Provide a sense of closure.  |
|                        | W.3.4  | With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.) |
| Writing                | W.3.5  | With guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and</b> strengthen writing as needed by <b>planning</b> , revising, and editing   |
|                        | W.3.10 | 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.     |
| Speaking and Listening | SL 3.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on <i>grade 3</i> 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 (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).                              |
|                        |        | C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of  |

| Speaking and Listening  |        | others.  |
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| optiming with answering |        | D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.   |
|                         | SL.3.3 | Ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail.  |
|                         | SL.3.6 | <b>Speak in</b> complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification  |
| Language                | L.3.1  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.   |
|                         |        | A. Explain the function of verbs, in general and their functions in particular sentences.  |
|                         |        | D. Form and use <b>regular and irregular verbs.</b>  |
|                         |        | E. Form and use the simple (e.g., I walked; I walk; I will walk) verb tenses.  |
|                         | L.3.2  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.   |
|                         |        | A. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.   |
|                         |        | B. Use commas in addresses.  |
|                         |        | C. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.   |
|                         |        | D. Form and use possessives.   |
|                         |        | E. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., <i>sitting</i> , <i>smiled</i> , <i>cries</i> , <i>happiness</i> ). |
|                         |        | F. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.                   |
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| Language           | L.3.4   | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.  |
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|                    |         | B. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known <b>affix</b> is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/ disagreeable comfortable/ uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).  |
|                    |         | C. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion).  |
|                    |         | D. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.   |
|                    | L.3.5.  | Demonstrate understanding of <b>figurative language</b> , word relationships and nuances in word meanings.   |
|                    |         | A. Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., <i>take steps</i> ).   |
|                    |         | B. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., <b>describe people who are</b> <i>friendly</i> <b>or</b> <i>helpful</i> ).  |
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|                    | L.3.6.  | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that night we went looking for them</i> ). |
|                    |         | Grade Three Unit 3   |
| Reading Literature | RL.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                    | RL.3.2  | Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.   |
|                    | RL.3.4  | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.  |
|                    | RL.3.5  | Refer to parts of stories, dramas, and poems when writing or speaking about a text, using terms such as chapter, scene, and stanza; describe how each successive part builds on earlier sections.  |
|                    | RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, <b>dramas</b> , and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text  |

| Reading Literature    |         | complexity band independently and proficiently   |
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| Reading Informational | RI.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RI.3.2  | Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.   |
|                       | RI.3.4  | Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 3</i> topic or subject area.  |
|                       | RI.3.5  | Use text features and search tools (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently.  |
|                       | RI.3.10 | 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 2–3 text complexity band <b>independently and</b> proficiently. |
| Foundational Skills   | RF.3.3  | Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.   |
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| Reading Informational | RF.3.4  | Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension   |
|                       |         | A. Read <b>grade</b> -level text with purpose and understanding.   |
|                       |         | B. Read <b>grade</b> -level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.   |
|                       |         | C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.  |
| Foundational Skills   | W.3.2   | Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.  A. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.      |
|                       |         | B. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.   |
|                       |         | C. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas within categories of information.  |

| Writing                |        | D. Provide a concluding statement or section.   |
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|                        | W.3.4  | With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.) |
|                        | W.3.5  | With guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and</b> strengthen writing as needed by <b>planning</b> , revising, and editing   |
|                        | W.3.6  | With guidance and support from adults, use <b>technology</b> to produce and publish writing ( <b>using keyboarding skills</b> ) as well as <b>to interact and</b> collaborate with others.                                |
|                        | W.3.7  | Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.   |
|                        | W.3.8  | Recall information from experiences or gather information from <b>print</b> and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.  |
| Writing                | W.3.10 | 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.     |
| Speaking and Listening | SL 3.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on <i>grade 3</i> 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 (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).                              |
|                        |        | C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.  |
|                        |        | D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.  |
|                        | SL.3.2 | Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.   |

| Speaking and Listening | SL.3.3 | Ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail.  |
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|                        | SL.3.4 | Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace.                  |
|                        | SL.3.6 | <b>Speak in</b> complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification  |
| Language               | L.3.1  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.   |
|                        |        | F. Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement.*  |
|                        |        | G. Form and use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.   |
|                        | L.3.2  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.   |
|                        |        | A. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.   |
|                        |        | B. Use commas in addresses.  |
|                        |        | C. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.   |
|                        |        | D. Form and use possessives.   |
|                        |        | E. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., <i>sitting</i> , <i>smiled</i> , <i>cries</i> , <i>happiness</i> ). |
|                        |        | F. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.                   |
|                        |        | G. Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.  |
| Language               | L.3.3  | Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.   |
|                        |        | A. Choose words and phrases for effect.*   |
|                        |        | B. Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written standard English  |
| Language               | L.3.4  | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.                    |
|                        |        | A. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or  |

| Language              |         | phrase.  |
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|                       |         | B. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).   |
|                       |         | C. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion).  |
|                       |         | D. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.   |
| Language              | L.3.5.  | Demonstrate understanding of <b>figurative language</b> , word relationships and nuances in word meanings.   |
|                       |         | A. Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., <i>take steps</i> ).   |
|                       |         | B. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are <i>friendly</i> or <i>helpful</i> ).  |
|                       |         | C. Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).  |
| Language              | L.3.6.  | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that night we went looking for them</i> ). |
|                       |         | Grade 4 Unit 4   |
| Reading Literature    | RL.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
| Reading Literature    | RL.3.3  | Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.  |
|                       | RL.3.4  | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.  |
|                       | RL.3.6  | Distinguish their own point of view from that of the narrator or those of the characters.  |
|                       | RL.3.9  | Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters (e.g., in books from a series).  |
|                       | RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, <b>dramas</b> , and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text complexity <b>band independently and</b> proficiently  |
| Reading Informational | RI.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text,   |

| Reading Informational |         | referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
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|                       | RI.3.3  | Describe the <b>relationship</b> between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical <b>procedures in a text</b> , <b>using language that pertains to time</b> , <b>sequence</b> , <b>and cause/effect</b> . |
|                       | RI.3.4  | Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area   |
|                       | RI.3.6  | Distinguish their own point of view from that of the author of a text.  |
|                       | RI.3.9  | Compare and contrast the most important points <b>and key details</b> presented in two texts on the same topic.   |
|                       | RI.3.10 | 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 2–3 text complexity band <b>independently and</b> proficiently.                      |
| Foundational Skills   | RF.3.3  | Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.  |
|                       |         | A. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.   |
|                       |         | B. Decode words with common Latin suffixes.   |
|                       |         | C. Decode multisyllable words.  |
|                       |         | D. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.  |
|                       | RF.3.4  | Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension  |
|                       |         | A. Read <b>grade-</b> level text with purpose and understanding.  |
|                       |         | B. Read grade-level <b>prose and poetry</b> orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.   |
|                       |         | C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.   |
| Writing               | W.3.3   | Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.   |
|                       |         | A. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.   |
|                       |         | B. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.   |

| Writing                |        | C. Use temporal words <b>and phrases</b> to signal event order.   |
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|                        |        | D. Provide a sense of closure.  |
|                        | W.3.4  | With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)                             |
|                        | W.3.5  | With guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and</b> strengthen writing as needed by <b>planning</b> , revising, and editing.  |
|                        | W.3.10 | 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.                                 |
| Speaking and Listening | SL 3.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on <i>grade 3</i> 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 (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).  |
|                        |        | C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.  |
|                        |        | D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.  |
| Speaking and Listening | SL.3.3 | Ask and answer questions about <b>information from</b> a speaker, <b>offering appropriate elaboration and detail.</b>   |
|                        | SL.3.6 | <b>Speak in</b> complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification   |
| Language               | L.3.1  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.  |
|                        |        | H. Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.   |
|                        |        | I. Produce simple, compound, and complex sentences.   |
|                        |        | L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that night we went looking for</i> |

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|          | L.3.2  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.   |
|          |        | A. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.   |
|          |        | B. Use commas in addresses.  |
|          |        | C. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.   |
|          |        | D. Form and use possessives.   |
|          |        | E. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., <i>sitting</i> , <i>smiled</i> , <i>cries</i> , <i>happiness</i> ).                             |
|          |        | F. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.   |
|          |        | G. Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.  |
| Language | L.3.4  | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.  |
|          |        | A. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.  |
|          |        | B. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).                                   |
|          |        | C. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion).  |
|          |        | D. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.   |
|          | L.3.5. | Demonstrate understanding of <b>figurative language</b> , word relationships and nuances in word meanings.   |
|          |        | A. Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., <i>take steps</i> ).   |
|          |        | B. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are <i>friendly</i> or <i>helpful</i> ).  |
|          |        | C. Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).  |
|          | L.3.6. | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that</i> |

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|                       | l       | Grade Three Unit 5   |
| Reading Literature    | RL.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RL.3.2  | Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.                                 |
|                       | RL.3.4  | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.  |
|                       | RL.3.9  | Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters (e.g., in books from a series)   |
| Reading Literature    | RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, <b>dramas</b> , and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text complexity <b>band independently and</b> proficiently                            |
| Reading Informational | RI.3.1  | Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |
|                       | RI.3.2  | Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.   |
|                       | RI.3.4  | Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 3</i> topic or subject area   |
|                       | RI.3.9  | Compare and contrast the most important points <b>and key details</b> presented in two texts on the same topic.  |
|                       | RI.3.10 | 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 2–3 text complexity band <b>independently and</b> proficiently. |
| Foundational Skills   | RF.3.3  | Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.   |
|                       |         | A. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes   |
|                       |         | B. Decode words with common Latin suffixes.  |
|                       |         | C. Decode multisyllable words.   |

| Foundational Skills |        | D. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.  |
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|                     | RF.3.4 | Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.   |
|                     |        | A. Read <b>grade</b> -level text with purpose and understanding.  |
|                     |        | B. Read <b>grade</b> -level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.  |
|                     |        | C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.   |
| Writing             | W.3.2  | Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.  |
|                     |        | A. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.   |
|                     |        | B. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.  |
|                     |        | C. Use linking words <b>and phrases</b> (e.g., <i>also</i> , <i>another</i> , <i>and</i> , <i>more</i> , <i>but</i> ) to connect ideas within categories of information.  |
|                     |        | D. Provide a concluding statement or section.   |
| Writing             | W.3.3  | Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.   |
|                     |        | A. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.   |
|                     |        | B. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.   |
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|                     | W.3.5  | With guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and</b> strengthen writing as needed by <b>planning</b> , revising, and editing   |
|                     | W.3.10 | Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research,   |

| Writing                |        | 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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| Speaking and Listening | SL 3.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on <i>grade 3</i> 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 (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).                              |
|                        |        | C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.  |
|                        |        | D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.  |
| Speaking and Listening | SL.3.3 | Ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail.   |
|                        | SL.3.5 | Create engaging audio recordings of stories or poems that demonstrate fluid reading at an understandable pace; add visual displays when appropriate to emphasize or enhance certain facts or details.                     |
|                        | SL.3.6 | Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification  |
| Language               | L.3.2  | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.  |
|                        |        | A. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.  |
|                        |        | B. Use commas in addresses.   |
|                        |        | C. Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.  |
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|                        |        | E. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., <i>sitting</i> , <i>smiled</i> , <i>cries</i> , <i>happiness</i> ).                                  |
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|          |        | A. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.  |
|          |        | B. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).   |
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|          | L.3.5. | Demonstrate understanding of <b>figurative language</b> , word relationships and nuances in word meanings.   |
|          |        | A. Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., <i>take steps</i> ).   |
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|          |        | C. Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).  |
|          | L.3.6. | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., <i>After dinner that night we went looking for them</i> ). |
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