



Common Core State Standards ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS KINDERGARTEN



I. FOUNDATION SKILLS (K-RF)

A. Print Concepts

RF.K.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

RF.K.1a. Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page

RF.K.1b. Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.

RF.K.1c. Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.

RF.K.1d. Recognize and name all upper-and-lowercase letters of the alphabet.



B. Phonological Awareness

RF.K.2. Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

RF.K.2a. Recognize and produce rhyming words.

RF.K.2b. Count, pronounce, blend and segment syllables in spoken words.

RF.K.2c. Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.

RF.K.2d. Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words. This does not include CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.

RF.K.2e. Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.



C. Phonics & Word Recognition

RF.K.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

RF.K.3a. Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary or many of the most frequent sound for each consonant.

RF.K.3b. Associate the long and short sounds with the common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.

RF.K.3c. Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g., the, of, to you, she, my, is, are, do, does).

RF.K.3d. Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.



D. Fluency

RF.K.4 Read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.

II. LITERATURE (K-RL)

A. Key Ideas & Details

RL.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in text.

District identified Priority Standards are bolded.

II. LITERATURE (K-RL) CONT'D

RL.K.2 With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.

RL.K.3 **With prompting and support identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.**



B. Craft & Structure

RL.K.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text

RL.K.5 Recognize common types of texts (e.g. storybooks, poems).

RL.K.6 **With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.**



C. Integration of Knowledge & Ideas

RL.K.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g. what moment in a story an illustration depicts).

RL.K.8 (Not applicable to literature)

RL.K.9 **With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.**

D. Range of Reading & Level of Complexity

RI.K.10 Actively engage in-group reading activities with purpose and understanding.

III. INFORMATIONAL TEXT (K-RI)

A. Key Ideas & Details

RI.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

RI.K.2 With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.

RI.K.3 With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.

B. Craft & Structure

RI.K.4 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.

RI.K.5 Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.

RI.K.6 Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the roles of each in presenting the ideas or information in a text.



C. Integration of Knowledge & Ideas

RI.K.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g. what person, place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).

RI.K.8 With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.

III. INFORMATIONAL TEXT (K-RI) CONT'D

RI.K.9. With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g. in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).

D. Range of Reading & Level of Complexity

RI.K.10. Actively engage in-group reading activities with purpose and understanding.

IV. WRITING (K-W)

A. Text Types & Purposes

W.K.1. Use a combination of drawing, dictating and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g. My favorite book is...).

W.K.2. Use a combination of drawing, dictating and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic.

W.K.3. Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reason to what happened.



B. Production & Distribution of Writing

W.K.4. Begins in grade 3.

W.K.5. With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.

W.K.6. With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.



C. Research to Build a Present Knowledge

W.K.7. Participate in shared research and writing projects. (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).

W.K.8. With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

W.K.9. (Begins in grade 4)



D. Range of Writing

W.K.10. Begins in grade 3.



V. SPEAKING & LISTENING (K-SL)

A. Comprehension & Collaboration

S.L.K.1. Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and text with peers and adults in small and large groups.

S.L.1a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).

S.L.1b. Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.

S.L.K.2. Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.

S.L.K.3. Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.



B. Presentation of Knowledge & Ideas

S.L.K.4 Describe familiar people, places, things and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.

S.L.K.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.

S.L.K.6 Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.

VI. LANGUAGE (K-L)

A. Conventions of Standard English

L.K.1. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

L.K.1a. Print many upper- and lowercase letters.

L.K.1b. Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.

L.K.1c. Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes).

L.K.1d. Understand and use question words (interrogatives) (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).

L.K.1e. Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).

L.K.1f. Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.



L.K.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation and spelling when writing.

L.K.2a. Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I.

L.K.2b. Recognize and name end punctuation.

L.K.2c. Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).

L.K.2d. Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.

L.K.3 (Begins in grade 2)

B. Vocabulary Acquisition & Use

L.K.4. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.

L.K.4a. Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g. knowing *duck* is a bird and learning the verb to *duck*).

VI. LANGUAGE (K-L) CONT'D

L.K.4b. Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.



L.K.5. With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

L.K.5a. Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.

L.K.5b. Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms).

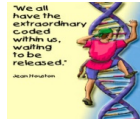
L.K.5c. Identify real-life connections between words and their uses (e.g., *note places at school that are colorful*).

L.K.5d. Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., *walk, march, strut, prance*) by acting out the meaning.

L.K.6. Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading, and being read to, and responding to texts.

C. Knowledge of Language

Begins in grade 2.



Note: Information obtained from Common Core Standards Initiative organization.