

Grade 7 Reading Curriculum

Concepts of Print, Decoding, Vocabulary

Identify idioms, analogies, metaphors, and similes in prose and poetry.

Use knowledge of Greek and Latin roots and affixes to understand content-area vocabulary.

Clarify word meanings through the use of definition, example, restatement, or contrast.

Expository Text

Understand and analyze the differences in structure and purpose between various categories of informational materials – textbooks, newspapers, signs, websites, technology.

Analyze text that uses the cause-effect organizational pattern.

Use compare/contrast literary works.

Identify and trace the development of an author's argument, point of view, or perspective in text.

Understand and explain the use of a simple mechanical device by following technical directions.

Assess the adequacy, accuracy, and appropriateness of the author's evidence to support claims and assertions, noting instances of bias and stereotyping.

Literary Text

Introduce the expresses purposes and characteristics of different forms of prose – short story, novel, novella, or essay.

Identify events that advance the plot and determine how each event explains past or present action or foreshadows future action.

Strategies for Comprehension

Analyze characterization as delineated through a character's thoughts, words, speech patterns, and actions; the narrator's description; and the thoughts, words, and actions of other characters through.

Identify and use thesis, inferences, paraphrase, summary, and conclusion.

Identify and analyze universal or recurring themes across works such as the value of bravery, loyalty, and friendship, or the effects of loneliness.

Contrast a range of responses to a literary work and determine the extent to which the literary elements in the work shaped those responses.