Grade 4 ELA Common Core Pacing Guide 4th Grade Reading

ELA	Target Grade Standard	"I Can" statements	Vocabulary	Time
Components				Frame
Literature				
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	I can explain a story by referring to details and examples in the text. RL.4.1 I can make conclusions about an author's meaning by thinking about the details and examples in the text (drawing conclusions). RL.4.1	DetailsConclusionsExamples	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.2 Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	I can figure out the theme of a piece of fiction by thinking about the details in the text. RL.4.2 I can summarize a piece of fiction in my own words. RL.4.2	ThemeSummarize	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.3 Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).	I can use specific details in a story to help me describe a character, setting or event in the story. RL.4.3	CharacterSettingEventCharacters Thoughts	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including those that allude to significant characters found in mythology (e.g., Herculean).	I can figure out the meanings of words and phrases an author uses. RL.4.4 I can understand words that may be derived from characters found in mythology (e.g., Herculean). RL.4.4	AlludeSignificant	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.5 Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the	I can write and talk about the differences between poems, plays and fictional stories. RL.4.5	PoemsProseDrama	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3

structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.	I can refer to specific elements of poems (verse, rhythm, meter) and plays (characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when I write or talk about a piece of fiction. RL.4.5	 Structural Elements Verse Rhythm Meter 	
	I CAN refer to parts of a story (chapters, etc.) to describe how the story is organized.		
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.6 Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third-person narrations.	I can compare and contrast different stories by thinking about the different points of view. RL.4.6 I can tell the difference between firstand third- person narrators. RL.4.6	 Compare Contrast Point of View Narrated First Person Third Person 	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.7 Make connections between the text of a story or drama and a visual or oral presentation of the text, identifying where each version reflects specific descriptions and directions in the text.	I can make connections between a written text and a dramatic interpretation of the same text. RL.4.7	 Connections Dramatic Interpretation 	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.9 Compare and contrast the treatment of similar themes and topics (e.g., opposition of good and evil) and patterns of events (e.g., the quest) in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures.	I can compare and contrast similar themes and events in stories, myths and traditional literature from different cultures. RL.4.9		Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.4.10 By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, in the grades 4-5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.	I Can Read and Understand Fourth Grade Fiction RL.4.10		Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3

Informational				
Text				
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	I can explain what a piece of nonfiction teaches me by referring to details and examples in the text. RI.4.1	Referring	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.2 Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.	I can figure out the main idea in nonfiction by thinking about the details in the text. RI.4.2 I can summarize a piece of nonfiction in my own words. RI.4.2	Main IdeaDetailsSummarize	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.3 Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.	I can explain why and how events, procedures, ideas or concepts in historical, scientific or technical texts happened by using the information presented. RI.4.3	ExplainProceduresIdeas/concepts	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 4 topic or subject area</i> .	I can understand the meanings of words and phrases in fourth grade science and social studies texts. RI.4.4	MeaningsPhrases	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.5 Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.	I can describe how various forms of nonfiction are structured (e.g., time order, comparison, cause & effect or problem & solution). RI.4.5	 Time Order Comparison Cause/Effect Problem/Solution 	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.6 Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.	I can compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic. RI.4.6	Compare/ContrastFirst/second hand	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3

	Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.	I can interpret and use information from charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations or other internet presentations to understand nonfiction. RI.4.7	InterpretQuantitatively	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.	I can explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text. RI.4.8	ReasonsEvidence	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.	I can use information from two different texts on the same topic to help me write or speak knowledgeably about the topic. RI.4.9		Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.4.10 By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 4-5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.	I Can Read and Understand Fourth Grade Nonfiction RI.4.10		Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
Foundational Skills				
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	I Can Analyze Words and Use Phonics to Help Me Read Fourth Grade Words RF.4.3	• Phonics	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3
	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.3.A Use combined knowledge of all letter- sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar	I can read and understand root words that also have prefixes or suffixes. RF.4.3	Root wordsPrefix/SuffixSyllable	Trimester 1 Trimester 2 Trimester 3

multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	I can read unfamiliar words that have more than one syllable. RF.4.3		
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.4	I Can Read With the Fluency and	 Fluency 	Trimester 1
Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency	Accuracy it Takes to Understand	 Accuracy 	Trimester 2
to support comprehension.	Fourth Grade Texts . RF.4.4		Trimester 3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.4.A	I can use context to check my		Trimester 1
Read grade-level text with purpose and	understanding of fourth grade text,		Trimester 2
understanding.	and reread if necessary. RF.4.4		Trimester 3
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.4.B	I Can Read With the Fluency and	 Expression 	Trimester 1
Read grade-level prose and poetry orally	Accuracy it Takes to Understand		Trimester 2
with accuracy, appropriate rate, and	Fourth Grade Texts . RF.4.4		Trimester 3
expression on successive readings.			
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.4.4.C	I can use context to check my		Trimester 1
Use context to confir	understanding of fourth grade text,		Trimester 2
m or self-correct word recognition and	and reread if necessary. RF.4.4		Trimester 3
understanding, rereading as necessary.			

Reading- Assessments	Resources
 DRA2 School Improvement Quizzes Treasures Unit Assessments 	 Treasures (student, teacher, and online versions) Units 1-6 TruFlix Guided reading/skill groups

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Units of Study	Target Standard	"I Can" statements	Vocabulary	Time Frame
Personal				
Narrative				
	W.4.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	I can write stories with good technique, detailed descriptions and a clear sequence	DescriptionSequence	Trimester 1
	W.4.3a. Orient the reader by establishing a situation and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.	I can provide an introduction in my stories that creates a situation, introduces a narrator & characters and organizes a plot that unfolds naturally.	PlotNarratorCharacters	Trimester 1
	W.4.3b. Use dialogue and description to develop experiences and events or show the responses of characters to situations	I can use dialog and description to develop experiences and events or to show how the characters respond to different situations in the story.	Dialogue	Trimester 1
	W.4.3c. Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events.	I can use different types of transitional words and phrases to help with the sequence of my story.	Transition words (first, next, then, after that, last, finally)	Trimester 1
	W.4.3d. Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.	I can use very specific words and phrases, as well as sensory details, to express experiences and events.	Sensory Details	Trimester 1
	W.4.3e. Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events.	I can write a conclusion (ending) that makes sense with the experiences and events I shared in my story.	Conclusion	Trimester 1
	W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific	I can produce clear and organized writing.		Trimester 1

expectations for writing types are			
defined in standards 1–3 above.) W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	Revise Edit	Trimester 1
W.4.9a. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions].").	I can apply all that I have learned in 4th grade reading to writing literature texts.		Trimester 1
W.4.10. 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.	I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic.	PurposeAudienceTopic	Trimester 1
SL.4.1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	I can build on others' ideas and express my own ideas clearly.		Trimester 1
SL.4.1a. 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.	I can use what I know and what I have read to explore new ideas about a topic during a discussion		Trimester 1
SL.4.1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.	I can follow agreed-upon rules for discussion and carry out my assigned role.		Trimester 1
SL.4.1c. Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.	I can ask and answer questions to help me understand discussions, stay on topic and that contribute to others' ideas and remarks.		Trimester 1

	SL.4.1d. Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.	I can think about what is discussed and explain any new thinking that I have.		Trimester 1
	SL.4.4. Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.	I can report on a topic or tell a story with correct and appropriate facts and details to support my main idea.	Main IdeaDetails	Trimester 1
	L.4.1f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.*	I can recognize inappropriate sentence fragments and run on sentences.	FragmentsRun On	Trimester 1
	L.4.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	I can paraphrase text that is read aloud or information that is presented to me.		Trimester 1
	L.4.2a. Use correct capitalization	I can correctly use capitalization in all of my writing.	Capitalization	Trimester 1
	L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.*	I can choose interesting words and phrases to help others understand my ideas better		
Informational				
Book				
	W.4.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly	I can write to inform/explain topics or ideas to others clearly.	Inform Explain	Trimester 1
	W.4.2a. Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	I can include special formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations and multimedia in my writing to help others understand my topic better.	HeadingsIllustrations	Trimester 1

W.4.2b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.	I can develop a topic using facts, definitions, details, quotations or other information and examples.	DefinitionsDetailsQuotations	Trimester 1
W.4.2c. Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	I can connect related ideas using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	 Transition/linking word (another, for example, also, because) 	Trimester 1
W.4.2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	I can use precise wording and specific vocabulary to teach others about a topic.		Trimester 1
W.4.2e. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.	I can write a conclusion (ending) that is related to the information or explanation I present.	• Conclusion	Trimester 1
W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	I can produce writing that is appropriate for my purpose, audience and task.	PurposeAudienceTask	Trimester 1
W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	PlanReviseEdit	Trimester 1
W.4.6. With some guidance and support from adults, use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of one page in a single sitting.	I can use technology to communicate and collaborate with others.		Trimester 1
W.4.7. Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.	I can conduct short research projects to help me learn about topics through investigation.		Trimester 1
W.4.8. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant	I can recall what I have learned or find new information from books or		Trimester 1

information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.	technology to help me with my research		
W.4.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	I can gather evidence from fiction or informational text to support my investigation, thinking and research.	 Investigation 	Trimester 1
W.4.9b. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text").	I can apply all that I have learned in 4th grade reading to writing informational texts.		Trimester 1
W.4.10. 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.	I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic.	Stamina	Trimester 1
SL.4.4. Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.	I can speak clearly and at an appropriate pace when I give a report or share a story or experience.		Trimester 1
L.4.1f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.*	I can write complete sentences.	•	Trimester 1
L.4.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	I can show that I know how to write sentences correctly.	CapitalizationPunctuation	Trimester 1
L.4.2a. Use correct capitalization	I can correctly use capitalization in all of my writing		Trimester 1
L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	I can use appropriate references to help me spell fourth grade words		Trimester 1
L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.*	I can choose interesting words and phrases to help others understand my ideas better.		Trimester 1

	L.4.4c. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases	I can use print and computer reference sources to help me find the pronunciations and clarify meanings of new words or phrases.		Trimester 1
	L.4.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).	I can figure out and use fourth grade words that are centered around a specific topic.		Trimester 1
Literary Essay				
	W.4.1. Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.	I can write to share my opinion on topics or texts and provide reasons and information to support that opinion.	• Opinion	Trimester 2
	W.4.1a. Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose.	I can write my opinion in an organized way that introduces my topic clearly, states my opinion, and groups related ideas together.		Trimester 2
	W.4.1b. Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.	I can give reasons that are supported by facts and details when writing my opinion.	FactsDetails	Trimester 2
	W.4.1c. Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).	I can connect my opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).	Linking words (for instance, in order to, in addition)	Trimester 2
	W.4.1d. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented	I can write a conclusion (ending) that is related to the opinion I present.	Conclusions	Trimester 2
	W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and		PurposeAudience	Trimester 2

organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	I can produce clear and organized writing.		
W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	PlanReviseEdit	Trimester 2
W.4.8. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.	I can recall what I have learned or find new information from books or technology to help me with my research.		Trimester 2
W.4.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	I can gather evidence from fiction or informational text to support my investigation, thinking and research.	EvidenceInvestigationResearch	Trimester 2
W.4.9a. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions].").	I can apply all that I have learned in 4th grade reading to writing literature texts.		Trimester 2
W.4.10. 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.	I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic.	StaminaPurposeAudienceTopic	Trimester 2
SL.4.1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly	I can effectively participate in different types of discussions and with different people.		Trimester 2

	SL.4.1a. Come to discussions prepared,	I can come to discussions prepared to		Trimester 2
	having read or studied required	share my ideas because I have read		11111165661 2
	material; explicitly draw on that	or studied the required material.		
	preparation and other information	or stadied the required material		
	known about the topic to explore ideas			
	under discussion.			
		I can follow agreed-upon rules for		Trimester 2
	SL.4.1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Trimester 2
	discussions and carry out assigned	discussion and carry out my assigned		
	roles.	role.		
	SL.4.1c. Pose and respond to specific	I can ask and answer questions to		Trimester 2
	questions to clarify or follow up on	help me understand discussions, stay		
	information, and make comments that	on topic and that contribute to		
	contribute to the discussion and link to	others' ideas and remarks.		
	the remarks of others.			
	SL.4.1d. Review the key ideas	I can think about what is discussed		Trimester 2
	expressed and explain their own ideas	and explain any new thinking that I		
	and understanding in light of the	have.		
	discussion.			
	L.4.2b. Use commas and quotation	I can use commas and quotation	Commas	Trimester 2
	marks to mark direct speech and	marks to show direct speech and	Quotation	
	quotations from a text.	quotations from a text.	Direct Speech	
	quotationo nom a toxt.	4-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0	Direct Specen	
	L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words	I can use appropriate references to	Dictionaries	Trimester 2
	correctly, consulting references as	help me spell fourth grade words.	Dictionaries	THINCS(C) 2
	needed.	neip me spen routen grade words.		
		I can choose interesting words and		Trimester 2
	L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to	_		Trimester 2
	convey ideas precisely.	phrases to help others understand		
		my ideas better.		
Research Unit				
	RI.4.1. Refer to details and examples in	I can explain what informational text	Details	Trimester 2
	a text when explaining what the text	teaches me by referring to details		
	says explicitly and when drawing	and examples from the text.		
	inferences from the text.	and champies from the text		
	miletences from the text.	I can draw inferences from		
		informational texts by referring to		
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		details and examples from the text.		

RI.4.2. Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.	I can figure out the main idea in informational texts. I can explain how the main idea in informational texts is supported by the details in the text.	Point of ViewCharacterPlot	Trimester 2
RI.4.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.	I can figure out the meanings of words and phrases in science and social studies texts	DialogueCharactersPlot	Trimester 2
RI.4.7. Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.	I can figure out, understand and use information from charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations or other internet presentations to help me explain my understanding of informational texts.	Temporal words	Trimester 2
W.4.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	I can write to inform/explain topics or ideas to others clearly	• Conclusion	Trimester 2
W.4.2a. Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	I can write an informative text that introduces my topic and then groups related information together in paragraphs or sections. I can include special formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations and multimedia in my writing to help others understand my topic better.	PurposeAudience	Trimester 2
W.4.2b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.	I can develop a topic using facts, definitions, details, quotations or other information and examples.	PlanReviseEdit	Trimester 2
W.4.2c. Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	I can connect related ideas using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	PurposeAudienceTopic	Trimester 2

W.4.2d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	I can use precise wording and specific vocabulary to teach others about a topic.		Trimester 2
W.4.2e. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.	I can write a conclusion (ending) that is related to the information or explanation I present.	Conjunctions	Trimester 2
	I can write stories with good technique, detailed descriptions and a clear sequence.		
W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	I can produce clear and organized writing. I can produce writing that is appropriate for my purpose, audience and task.	Simple, compound, and complex sentences	Trimester 2
W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	CapitalPunctuation	Trimester 2
W.4.6. With some guidance and support from adults, use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of one page in a single sitting	I can use technology to create and publish my writing. I can use technology to communicate and collaborate with others. I can use appropriate keyboarding skills to type at least one page of my writing in a single sitting.		Trimester 2
W.4.7. Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.	I can conduct short research projects to help me learn about topics through investigation.	CommaQuotation MarksDialogue	Trimester 2
W.4.8. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.	I can recall what I have learned or find new information from books or technology to help me with my research.	• Suffixes	Trimester 2

	I can take notes to help me organize		
	the research in my writing.		
	I can provide a list of sources that I		
	used for gathering information for		
	my writing		
W.4.9. Draw evidence from literary or	I can gather evidence from fiction or		Trimester 2
informational texts to support analysis,	informational text to support my		
reflection, and research.	investigation, thinking and research.		
W.4.10. Write routinely over extended	I can write with stamina for short	 Dictionaries 	Trimester 2
time frames (time for research,	time frames or over a longer period		
reflection, and revision) and shorter	of time depending on my purpose,		
time frames (a single sitting or a day or	audience and topic.		
two) for a range of discipline-specific			
tasks, purposes, and audiences.			
SL.4.1. Engage effectively in a range of	I can effectively participate in		Trimester 2
collaborative discussions (one-on-one,	different types of discussions and		
in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse	with different people.		
partners on grade 4 topics and texts,			
building on others' ideas and	I can build on others' ideas and		
expressing their own clearly	express my own ideas clearly.		
SL.4.1a. Come to discussions prepared,	I can come to discussions prepared to	Word Choice	Trimester 2
having read or studied required	share my ideas because I have read		
material; explicitly draw on that	or studied the required material.		
preparation and other information			
known about the topic to explore ideas	I can use what I know and what I		
under discussion.	have read to explore new ideas about		
	a topic during a discussion.		
SL.4.1b. Follow agreed-upon rules for	I can follow agreed-upon rules for	•	Trimester 2
discussions and carry out assigned	discussion and carry out my assigned		
roles.	role.		
SL.4.1c. Pose and respond to specific	I can ask and answer questions to	•	Trimester 2
questions to clarify or follow up on	help me understand discussions, stay		
information, and make comments that	on topic and that contribute to		
contribute to the discussion and link to	others' ideas and remarks.		
the remarks of others.			
SL.4.1d. Review the key ideas	I can think about what is discussed	•	Trimester 2
expressed and explain their own ideas	and explain any new thinking that I		
	have.		

and understanding in light of the			
discussion. SL.4.2. Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally	I can paraphrase text that is read aloud or information that is presented to me.	•	Trimester 2
SL.4.4. Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.	I can report on a topic or tell a story with correct and appropriate facts and details to support my main idea. I can speak clearly and at an appropriate pace when I give a report or share a story or experience.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.1. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	I can show that I know how to use words correctly when I write and speak.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.1f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.*	I can write complete sentences.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	I can show that I know how to write sentences correctly.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.2a. Use correct capitalization.	I can correctly use capitalization in all of my writing.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	I can use appropriate references to help me spell fourth grade words	•	Trimester 2
L.4.3. Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	I can write, speak, read and listen by using my knowledge of the English language.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.	I can choose interesting words and phrases to help others understand my ideas better.	•	Trimester 2
L.4.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal	I can figure out and use fourth grade words that show specific actions, emotions or states of being.	•	Trimester 2

	precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).	I can figure out and use fourth grade words that are centered around a specific topic.		
Persuasive				
Letter				
	W.4.1. Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information	I can write to share my opinion on topics or texts and provide reasons and information to support that opinion.	Information text	Trimester 3
	W.4.1a. Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose.	I can write my opinion in an organized way that introduces my topic clearly, states my opinion, and groups related ideas together.	Main IdeaDetails	Trimester 3
	W.4.1b. Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.	I can give reasons that are supported by facts and details when writing my opinion.		Trimester 3
	W.4.1c. Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).	I can connect my opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).	Text Features	Trimester 3
	W.4.1d. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.	I can write a conclusion (ending) that is related to the opinion I present.	Illustrations	Trimester 3
	W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	I can produce writing that is appropriate for my purpose, audience and task.	Informative TextExplanatory Text	Trimester 3
	W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	Illustrations	Trimester 3

	strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.			
	W.4.10. 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.	I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic.	FactsDefinitionsDetails	Trimester 3
	L.4.1f. Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-ons.	I can write complete sentences. I can recognize inappropriate sentence fragments and run on sentences.	Linking words	Trimester 3
	L.4.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	I can show that I know how to write sentences correctly.	Conclusions	Trimester 3
	L.4.2a. Use correct capitalization.	I can correctly use capitalization in all of my writing.	PurposeAudienceTopic	Trimester 3
	L.4.2c. Use a comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence.	I can correctly use a comma before a conjunction when connecting two simple sentences.	PlanReviseEdit	Trimester 3
	L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	I can use appropriate references to help me spell fourth grade words.		Trimester 3
	L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.*	I can choose interesting words and phrases to help others understand my ideas better.	Research	Trimester 3
Persuasive				
Letter				
	RL.4.2. Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	I can figure out the theme of a fiction text by thinking about the details in the text.	Theme	Trimester 3

	I can summarize a fiction text in my own words.		
RL.4.5. Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.	I can write or talk about the differences between poems, plays and fictional stories. I can refer to specific elements of poems (verse, rhythm, meter) and plays (characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when I write or talk about a piece of fiction.	 Verse Rhythm Meter Characters Settings Dialogue 	Trimester 3
RL.4.10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, in the grades 4–5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.	I can read and understand fourth grade stories, plays and poems independently.		Trimester 3
W.4.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	I can produce clear and organized writing. I can produce writing that is appropriate for my purpose, audience and task.	PurposeAudience	Trimester 3
W.4.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.	I can plan, revise and edit my writing with the help of peers and adults.	PlanReviseEdit	Trimester 3
W.4.10. 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.	I can write with stamina for short time frames or over a longer period of time depending on my purpose, audience and topic.	StaminaTopic	Trimester 3
L.4.2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	I can show that I know how to write sentences correctly.		Trimester 3

L.4.2a. Use correct capitalization.	I can correctly use capitalization in all of my writing.	Capitalization	Trimester 3
L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	I can use appropriate references to help me spell fourth grade words.		Trimester 3
L.4.3a. Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.	I can choose interesting words and phrases to help others understand my ideas better		Trimester 3
L.4.3b. Choose punctuation for effect	I can choose various punctuation to help me show different moods in writing.		Trimester 3
L.4.5a. Explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors (e.g., as pretty as a picture) in context.	I can explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors in context.	SimilesMetaphors	Trimester 3

Writing- Trimester 1 Assessments	Trimester 1 Resources
 Pre-unit on demand writing prompt (There are often people in our lives who are really important to us. Write about a time you spent with a person who was really important to you. Tell the story of that time) Published personal narrative Pre-unit on demand writing prompt (There are often places that we have been that we remember clearly. Choose a place that you know well. It might be a place that you have visited like the zoo or a museum, or a place that you have gone on vacation, or you can even write about your own community or park. Think about informational books and magazines that you have read. Now think about how your own writing might go. Remember, you are not writing a story. You are writing an informational text about a place that you know a lot about. Write it like you are teaching others about your topic. Use everything you know about good writing.") Published informational writing book 	 Lucy Calkins, Lucy Calkins Units of Study for Teaching Writing, Grades 3-5, Book 1: Launching the Writing Workshop, Heinemann, 2006 Lucy Calkins, A Curricular Plan for the Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011/2012, Heinemann, 2011 Aimee Buckner, Notebook Know-How: Strategies for the Writer's Notebook, Stenhouse, 2005 Ralph Fletcher, A Writer's Notebook: Unlocking the Writer Within You, Harper Collins, 2003 Ralph Fletcher, Breathing In, Breathing Out: Keeping a Writer's Notebook, Heinemann, 1996 Lucy Calkins, One to One: The Art of Conferring with Young Writers, Heinemann, 2005 Ralph Fletcher, What a Writer Needs, Heinemann, 1993 Carl Anderson, Assessing Writers, Heinemann, 2005 Professional Resources: A Curricular Plan for the Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011/2012,
	Mentor Texts: 1. The Summer My Father Was Ten, Pat Brisson 2. Through Grandpa's Eyes, Patricia MacLachlan 3. An Angel for Solomon Singer, Cynthia Rylant 4. Owl Moon, Jane Yolen Excerpts from the following texts are included in this unit: 1. Miss Rumphius, Barbara Cooney 2. The Day of Ahmed's Secret, Florence Perry Heide 3. Sarah, Plain and Tall, Patricia MacLachlan

Mentor Texts:
Use informational texts from your own collection that are well written and include a variety of text features and text structures.

Writing-Trimester 2 Assessments	Trimester 2 Resources
 Published literary essay Published research project 	Professional Resources: 1. Lucy Calkins, A Curricular Plan for the Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011-2012, Heinemann, 2011 2. Carl Anderson, Assessing Writers, Heinemann, 2005 Resources: 1. A Curricular Plan for the Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011-2012, Lucy Calkins 2. America's Regions, Kathy Barabas Assessing Writers, Carl Anderson
	Mentor Texts: 1. The Tequila Worm, Viola Canales 2. Every Living Thing, Cynthia Rylant 3. Baseball in April and Other Stories, Gary Soto Materials: • Writer's notebooks • Copies of a United States outline map for each student • America's Regions, Kathy Barabas
	 Anchor chart: Strategies for Recording What We Are Learning Baskets of nonfiction books about the United States for each table

Writing- Trimester 3 Assessments	Trimester 3 Resources
 Pre-unit on demand writing prompt ("I think that we should adopt a pet") Published Persuasive letters Pre-unit on demand writing prompt ("Writers, today we are going to begin a new unit on poetry. We will be reading and thinking and writing like poets. First, you will try writing one or two poems of your own. Use everything you have learned in other grades about writing poems.") Publish and share their poetry anthologies 	Professional Resources: 1. Lucy Calkins, A Curricular Plan for the Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011-2012, Heinemann, 2011 2. Lucy Calkins, Lucy Calkins Units of Study for Teaching Writing, Grades 3-5, Book 3: Breathing Life Into Essays, Heinemann, 2006 Professional Resources: 1. A Curricular Plan for Writing Workshop, Grade 4, 2011-2012, Lucy Calkins Teaching Poetry: Yes You Can!, Jacqueline Sweeney
	Mentor Text: 1. I Wanna Iguana, Karen Kaufman Orloff
	Choose 7-10 persuasive mentor texts from the following list or substitute others: 1. Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type, Doreen Cronin 2. Can I Have a Stegosaurus, Mom? Can I? Please!?, Lois G. Grambling 3. Can I have a Tyrannosaurus Rex, Dad? Can I? Please!?, Lois G. Grambling 4. Can I Bring My Pterodactyl to School, Ms. Johnson?, Lois G. Grambling 5. Hey, Little Ant, Phyllip and Hannah Hoose 6. Can I Keep Him?, Steven Kellogg 7. My Brother Dan's Delicious, Steven L. Layne 8. The Salamander Room, Annie Mazer 9. I Wanna New Room, Karen Kaufman Orloff 10. Earrings, Judith Viorst 11. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!, Mo Willems

12. Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late!, Mo Willems
 Mentor Texts: If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand: Poems about School,