

Fourth Grade Literacy Pacing Guide

1st Nine Weeks	
Comprehension	
Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	RL.4.1
Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	RL.4.2
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).	RL.4.3
Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.	RL.4.4
Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third-person narrations.	RL.4.6
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.	RL.4.7
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.	RL.4.9
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.	RI.4.3
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.	RI.4.5
Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.	RI.4.6
Reading Foundational Skills	
Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	RF.4.3a
Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.	RF.4.4c
Writing	
Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	W.4.3
Orient the reader by establishing a situation and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.	W.4.3a
Use dialogue and description to develop experiences and events or show the responses of characters to situations.	W.4.3b
Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events.	W.4.3c
Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.	W.4.3d
Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events.	W.4.3e
With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of	W.4.5

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Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 4.)	
Apply <i>grade 4 Reading standards</i> 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].”).	W.4.9a
Apply <i>grade 4 Reading standards</i> to informational texts (e.g., “Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text”).	W.4.9b
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.	W.4.10
Speaking and Listening	
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.	SL.4.1a
Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.	SL.4.1b
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.	SL.4.1c
Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.	SL.4.1d
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.	SL.4.4
Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion); use formal English when appropriate to task and situation. (See grade 4 Language standards 1 for specific expectations.)	SL.4.6
Language Standards	
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing (printing, cursive , or keyboarding) or speaking.	L.4.1
Order adjectives within sentences according to conventional patterns (e.g., a small red bag rather than a red small bag).	L.4.1d
Form and use prepositional phrases.	L.4.1e
Use correct capitalization.	L.4.2a
Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a text.	L.4.2b
Use a comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence.	L.4.2c
Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely. *	L.4.3a
Choose punctuation for effect. *	L.4.3b
Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	L.4.4a
Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., telegraph, photograph, autograph).	L.4.4b

* *Partial Standard* ***Supplemental – RI.4.5 (2 weeks), Context Clues - teach year long.*

Making Meaning ~ Unit 1 (2 weeks), Unit 4 (4 weeks)

Being A Writer ~ Writing Community, Personal Narrative, Oregon Trail Performance Task

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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).	RL.4.3
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.	RL.4.5
Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third-person narrations.	RL.4.6
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.	RL.4.7
Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	RI.4.1
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.	RI.4.3
Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.	RI.4.4
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.	RI.4.5
Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.	RI.4.6
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.	RI.4.7
Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.	RI.4.8
Reading Foundation Skills	
Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	RF.4.3a
Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding.	RF.4.4a
Writing	
Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.	W.4.1
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.	W.4.1a
Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.	W.4.1b
Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).	W.4.1c

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Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.	W.4.1d
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.	W.4.6
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.	W.4.8
Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	W.4.9
Speaking and Listening	
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.	SL.4.1
Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points.	SL.4.3
Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion); use formal English when appropriate to task and situation. (See grade 4 Language standards 1 for specific expectations.)	SL.4.6
Language Standards	
Use relative pronouns (who, whose, whom, which, that) and relative adverbs (where, when, why).	L.4.1a
Form and use the progressive (e.g., I was walking; I am walking; I will be walking) verb tenses.	L.4.1b
Form and use prepositional phrases.	L.4.1e
Correctly use frequently confused words (e.g., to, too, two; there, their). *	L.4.1g
Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely. *	L.4.3a
Choose punctuation for effect. *	L.4.3b
Differentiate between contexts that call for formal English (e.g., presenting ideas) and situations where informal discourse is appropriate (e.g., small-group discussion).	L.4.3c
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	L.4.4
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.	L.4.4c

Making Meaning ~ Unit 2 (1 week), Unit 3 (2 weeks), Unit 5 (2 weeks), Unit 6 (3 weeks)

Being A Writer ~ Opinion Writing (3 Weeks), Opinion Performance Writing Task (1 Week)

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3rd Nine Weeks	
Comprehension	
Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	RL.4.2
Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	RI.4.1
Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.	RI.4.2
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.	RI.4.3
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.	RI.4.5
Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.	RI.4.6
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.	RI.4.7
Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.	RI.4.8
Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.	RI.4.9
Reading Foundational Skills	
Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	RF.4.3
Use combined knowledge of all letter-sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	RF.4.4a
Read grade-level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.	RF.4.4b
Writing	
Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	W.4.2
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.	W.4.2a
Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.	W.4.2b
Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	W.4.2c
Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	W.4.2d
Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.	W.4.2e
Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.	W.4.7
Apply <i>grade 4 Reading standards</i> to informational texts (e.g., “Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text”).	W.4.9b

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Speaking & Listening	
Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.	SL.4.2
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.	SL.4.4
Add audio recordings and visual displays to presentations when appropriate to enhance the development of main ideas or themes.	SL.4.5
Language	
Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must) to convey various conditions.	L.4.1c
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.4.2
Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	L.4.3
Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely. *	L.4.3a
Explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors (e.g., as pretty as a picture) in context.	L.4.5a
Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.	L.4.5b
Demonstrate understanding of words by relating them to their opposites (antonyms) and to words with similar but not identical meanings (synonyms).	L.4.5c

Making Meaning ~ Unit 8 (4 weeks), Unit 7 (2 weeks),

* Explicitly teach main idea & summarizing – Boxes & Bullets (1 week)

Being A Writer ~ Expository nonfiction (6 weeks), Performance Task Mars (1 week)

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Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.	RI.4.6
Reading Foundational Skills	
Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	RF.4.3
Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	RF.4.4
Writing	
Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.	W.4.1
Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	W.4.2
Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	W.4.3
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.)	W.4.4
With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 4.)	W.4.5
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.	W.4.6
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Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing (printing, cursive, or keyboarding) or speaking.	L.4.1
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	L.4.2
Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	L.4.3
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	L.4.5
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).	L.4.6

Reading Instruction will be standards based as determined by student data student data.

Writing About Reading

Focus on increasing student proficiency with Writing about Reading. Lessons will be determined by student data based on the writing rubric.

Making Meaning ~ Unit 9 (End of the Year)

Being A Writer ~ Fiction Writing (6 Weeks), Revisiting the Writing Community (1 Week)