Somers Point School District



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Grade Five

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Somers Point Schools

This document reflects the collaboration of teachers, staff, students, parents, and the Board of Education to define our mission, vision and beliefs to guide our work.

Our Mission

Empower each student to make responsible choices, meet challenges, achieve personal success, and contribute to a global society as they apply the New Jersey Core Curriculum Standards to become autonomous, lifelong learners who are literate problem solvers across all disciplines. This is accomplished through:

- Offering diverse, challenging, effective and progressive programs in a safe, nurturing environment
- Providing optimal facilities and resources
- Mastering the skills and tools needed for success
- Facilitating an educational partnership with home, school and community

Our Beliefs

Beliefs: We believe that our empowered learners:

- Participate in educational programs that are designed to meet the needs of learners while providing challenging activities in the context of real life situations
- Are aware of community issues and take part in activities to better their community
- Acquire basic skills in obtaining information, thinking critically, solving problems and communicating effectively
- Develop intellectual curiosity and the ability to access information as needed
- Become reflective learners who have an understanding of their own strengths and weaknesses
- Develop the aptitudes and skills to adjust to a changing world and an unpredictable future
- Are lifetime learners who value and accept learning as a continuing and dynamic process affecting all aspects of life
- Value the integrity of all individuals and recognize their own ability to progress academically, socially, and emotionally

Our Vision

The students of the Somers Point School District will demonstrate personal growth over time in relation to individualized goals aligned to the New Jersey Core Content Curriculum Standards. Achievement is evident when students:

- Take academic risks
- Transfer or extend content area knowledge
- Are intrinsically motivated life-long learners
- Are global learners who collaborate beyond the confines of the classroom or school
- Demonstrate social growth
- Are meta-cognitive thinkers
- Solve real-world problems

To foster student achievement Somers Point Educators:

- Promote student-centered learning
- Explicitly communicate the purpose of the lesson and how it fits into students' broader learning
- Provide hands-on learning activities
- Encourage collaboration
- Cultivate a safe environment and a strong classroom community
- Differentiate instruction
- Know the content area, curriculum, and their students
- Integrate technology
- Uncover and capitalize on student interests
- Use assessment data to make instructional decisions
- Commit to life-long learning to improve their practice

INTRODUCTION, PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION, AND EDUCATIONAL GOALS

Philosophy

Somers Point's balanced literacy program provides students with literacy instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics, comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary. Beginning in pre-school, students gain skills that are the foundation for later reading and writing. Using the Diagnostic Reading Assessment (DRA2) data, the needs of individual students are met at their reading level in guided reading, strategy groups, and through conferring with students. Teachers in the upper grades provide students the opportunity to use their literacy skills through project-based learning activities that enable students to work collaboratively on real world issues using technology. The district uses Writer's Workshop, an interdisciplinary writing program, to build students fluency in writing through continuous repeated exposure to the process of writing.

Educational Goals & Beliefs

Students are unique and reflect a wide range of diversity.

- Therefore, a variety of instructional strategies and resources will be used to reflect and respect a wide range of diversity.

All students will become empowered by developing their literacy abilities to their fullest potential.

- Therefore, the skills of literacy will be taught in meaningful ways, using research-based instructional strategies that aligned to the learning needs of the individual student.

Students learn best through a variety of language experiences that actively engage them in the acquisition of both basic and higher level thinking skills.

- Therefore, curriculum needs to be presented in an integrated format, which utilizes a balanced literacy approach.

Learning is best enhanced when assessment informs and drives instruction.

- Therefore, assessment will be systematic and closely linked to instruction in order to facilitate sound instructional decisions for each student.

Becoming literate is dependent upon strong links among home, school, and the community.

- Therefore, the various roles of home, school, and community will be highlighted through effective communication and reinforcement of partnerships.

New Jersey State Department of Education New Jersey Student Learning Standards

A note about English Language Arts New Jersey Student Learning Standards:

Reading

- The standards establish a "staircase" of increasing complexity in what students must be able to read so that all students are ready for the demands of college- and career-level reading no later than the end of high school. The standards also require the progressive development of reading comprehension so that students advancing through the grades are able to gain more from whatever they read.
- Through reading a diverse array of classic and contemporary literature as well as challenging informational texts in a range of subjects, students are expected to build knowledge, gain insights, explore possibilities, and broaden their perspective. Because the standards are building blocks for successful classrooms, but recognize that teachers, school districts and states need to decide on appropriate curriculum, they intentionally do not offer a reading list. Instead, they offer numerous sample texts to help teachers prepare for the school year and allow parents and students to know what to expect at the beginning of the year.
- The standards mandate certain critical types of content for all students, including classic myths and stories from around the world, foundational U.S. documents, seminal works of American literature, and the writings of Shakespeare. The standards appropriately defer the many remaining decisions about what and how to teach to states, districts, and schools.

Writing

- The ability to write logical arguments based on substantive claims, sound reasoning, and relevant evidence is a cornerstone of the writing standards, with opinion writing—a basic form of argument—extending down into the earliest grades.
- Research—both short, focused projects (such as those commonly required in the workplace) and longer term in depth research—is emphasized throughout the standards but most prominently in the writing strand since a written analysis and presentation of findings is so often critical.
- Annotated samples of student writing accompany the standards and help establish adequate performance levels in writing arguments, informational/explanatory texts, and narratives in the various grades.

Speaking and Listening

- The standards require that students gain, evaluate, and present increasingly complex information, ideas, and evidence through listening and speaking as well as through media.
- An important focus of the speaking and listening standards is academic discussion in one-on-one, small-group, and whole-class settings. Formal presentations are one important way such talk occurs, but so is the more informal discussion that takes place as students collaborate to answer questions, build understanding, and solve problems.

Language

- The standards expect that students will grow their vocabularies through a mix of conversations, direct instruction, and reading. The standards will help students determine word meanings, appreciate the nuances of words, and steadily expand their repertoire of words and phrases.
- The standards help prepare students for real life experience at college and in 21st century careers. The standards recognize that students must be able to use formal English in their writing and speaking but that they must also be able to make informed, skillful choices among the many ways to express themselves through language.
- Vocabulary and conventions are treated in their own strand not because skills in these areas should be handled in isolation but because their use extends across reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

Media and Technology

• Just as media and technology are integrated in school and life in the twenty-first century, skills related to media use (both critical analysis and production of media) are integrated throughout the standards.

For more information: http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/

5th Grade Reading and Writing Curriculum: Big Ideas

Reading- Marking Period 1 End November 9th Unit 1: Launching Workshop and short stories: picking a book, group work, basic comprehension skills, interactive notebooks, binders, genre recognition, Greek and Latin Roots. Unit 2-Narrative: Realistic Fiction: "Freak the Mighty"- reinforce above. or short stories.	Writing- Marking Period 1 End November 9th Unit 1: Launching Workshop and short stories; habits, seed sized ideas, writer's notebook, planning, drafting. Unit 2: Narrative: personal narrative; short stories; narrative elements; writing process- plan, draft, revise, edit, celebrate.	Reading- Marking Period 2 End January 26 Unit 1: Informational Text Narrative Nonfiction: Scope. Greek and Latin Roots Unit 2: Narrative Non Fiction Analyzing Fact and Opinion Nonfiction	Writing- Marking Period 2 End January 26 Unit 1: Essay Based on cross curricular research on as topic. Unit 2: Literary Analysis Writing to Explain-essay writing Literary Analysis Response to literature
Reading- Marking Period 3 End April 3 Unit 1-Analyzing Fact and Opinion Unit 2- Historical Fiction: "Number the Stars" novel; Research Skills and Strategies (Cross Curricular: Social Studies)	<u>Writing-</u> Marking Period 3 End April 3 <u>Unit 1-</u> Opinion Essay <u>Unit 2</u> -Research and reporting information (Cross Curricular- Social Studies)	<u>Reading</u> - Marking Period 4 End June 14 <u>Unit 1-</u> Poetry <u>Unit 2-</u> Literary Analysis	<u>Writing</u> - Marking Period 4 End June 14 <u>Unit 1-</u> Poems <u>Unit 2-</u> Response to literature

Big Idea: Realistic Fiction (Short Stories)

Reading: 1st Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	CCC Standards	Assessments
Readers analyze story elements	How would a change in a story	Analyze story elements	RL5.1 Quote accurately from a text	Required Benchmark
(characters, setting, conflict, plot	element impact the outcome of	(characters, setting, conflict, plot	when explaining what the text says	Assessments:
events, resolution, theme, point	a story?	events, resolution, theme, point	explicitly and when drawing	reading inventories
of view) and how these elements		of view, author's purpose.	inferences from the text.	teacher created assessments
impact a story.	Why do we read realistic fiction?	Determine a theme.	RL5.2 Determine a theme of a story,	written responses to
Readers understand realistic		Determine meanings of words	drama, or poem from details in the	literature
fiction reflects events that could	How do I determine which	and phrases	text, including how characters in a	teacher observations
happen in real life and make	reading strategy is best while	Explain the structure of a story.	story or drama respond to	rubrics
connections.	reading?	Describe narrator's point of view	challenges or how the speaker in a	
Readers use a variety of		and how it impacts a story.	poem reflects upon a topic;	
strategies for comprehension.	How do I choose text evidence?	Read and comprehend at grade	summarize the text.	Suggested Resources:
Readers cite evidence from a		5 complexity	RL5.5 Explain how a series of	SCOPE Magazine
text to prove a statement.		Decode grade level words.	chapters, scenes, or stanzas, fits	"Freak the Mighty"
Readers understand figurative	How do authors use figurative	Analyze Point of view terms	together to provide the overall	Short stories such as:
language helps to uncover	language to enhance a story?	Quote accurately from a text.	structure of a particular story,	"Rope Burn" (L/N)
deeper meaning in a piece of			drama, or poem.	"Line Drive" (L/N)
text.	How do I acquire new word	Collaborate with others to think	RL 5.6 Describe how a narrator's or	"Popsicle Stick Bridge" (L)
Readers use context clues to	meanings?	critically and analyze text.	speaker's point of view influences	
determine word meaning.	incumigs:		how events are described.	See CCCS Appendix B:
	SE, ELL, BSI, GT	Reflect critically on learning	RF 5.3 A Know and apply grade level	"The Little Prince"
Vocabulary:	Suggested Modifications:	experiences.	phonics and word analysis skills in	"Zlateh the Goat"
realistic fiction, figurative	lower lexile		decoding words.	
language, story elements,	leveled readers		RI 5.1 Quote accurately from a text	
main idea and details, author's	audio versions of stories		when explaining what the text says	
purpose, point of view.	acronyms		explicitly and when drawing	
	scaffolding assignments		inferenced from the text.	
	graphic organizer		RI 5.8 Explain how an author uses	
	Brakine organizer		reasons and evidence to support	
			particular points in a text.	

Big Idea: Personal Narrative

Writing: 1st Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	Standards	Assessments
Writers write to entertain.	How do we capture our ideas	Brainstorm potential topics and	W.5.3 Write narratives to	Required Benchmark
Writers brainstorm ideas before	and learning?	narrow focus for a personal	develop real or imagined	Assessments:
choosing a topic.	Why do we write?	narrative.	experiences or events using	teacher created assessments
Personal experiences can be a	How does brainstorming ideas		effective technique, descriptive	written responses to literature
great source of material for	help my writing?	Organize narrative writing into	details, and clear event	teacher observations
writing.	How do writers share their	paragraphs, and use effective	sequences.	rubrics
Writers use a variety of	personal experiences?	transitions based on changes in	W.5.4 Produce clear and	
structures when writing.	How do my personal experiences	action, time, and place.	coherent writing in which the	Suggested Resources:
Writers use vivid language, a	impact my creativity when		development and organization	SCOPE Magazine
variety of sentence structure and	writing?	Follow a plot structure with clear	are appropriate to task, purpose,	Write Source
word choices, and literary	Why do I use a specific structure	conflict, rising action, climax,	and audience.	Use narratives for mentor texts.
devices to express their ideas	when writing a personal	falling action, and resolution.	W.5.5 With guidance and	See CCCS Appendix B
and enhance their writing craft.	narrative?		support from peers and adults,	Common Core Progress
Writers use conventions to	How can I include narrative	Elaborate main events and ideas	develop and strengthen writing	Google Classroom
express thoughts clearly and	techniques to bring my writing to	by adding thoughts and feelings,	as needed by planning, revising,	Video Clips
coherently.	life?	dialogue, and figurative	editing, rewriting, or trying a	
	Why are conventions important	language.	new approach.	
Vocabulary:	when writing?		W.5.6 Use technology, including	
plan, draft, revise, edit,		Use vivid verbs and sensory	the Internet, to produce and	
conference, narrative,	Suggested Modifications:	details.	publish writing and to interact	
sequencing, purpose, audience,	writing conferences		and collaborate with others.	
figurative language, rubrics,	graphic organizer	Collaborate with others to think	SL.5.4 Report on topic or text	
conventions, collaborate,	modeling	critically and analyze text.	sequencing ideas logically using	
personal narrative, memoir,	model texts	Reflect critically on learning	relevant details to support main	
imagery, dialogue, sensory	scribe, speak to text	experiences.	ideas or theme; speaking clearly.	
details, climax, literary devices	talk before you write	Creatively generate ideas for	L.5.2 Demonstrate command of	
	provide word bank for spelling	writing.	the conventions of standard	
			English capitalization,	
			punctuation, and spelling when	
			writing.	

ELA Curriculum Map

Grade 5

Big Idea: Informational Text; Non-Fiction Narratives

Reading: 2nd Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	CCC Standards	Assessments
Readers analyze story elements	How would a change in a story	Analyze story elements	RL5.1 Quote accurately from a text	Required Benchmark
(characters, setting, conflict, plot	element impact the outcome of	(characters, setting, conflict, plot	when explaining what the text says	Assessments:
events, resolution, theme, point	a story?	events, resolution, theme, point	explicitly and when drawing	reading inventories
of view) and how these elements		of view, author's purpose.	inferences from the text.	teacher created assessments
impact a story.	Why do we read informational	Determine a theme.	RL5.2 Determine a theme of a story,	written responses to
Readers understand realistic	text and non-fiction narratives?	Determine meanings of words	from details in the text, including	literature
fiction reflects events that could		and phrases	how characters in a story or drama	teacher observations
happen in real life and make	How do I determine which	Explain the structure of non-	respond to challenges or how the	rubrics
connections.	reading strategy is best while	fiction text.	speaker in a poem reflects upon a	
Readers use a variety of	reading?	Describe .	topic; summarize the text.	
strategies for comprehension.	-	Read and comprehend at grade	RL5.4 Determine the meaning of	Suggested Resources:
Readers cite evidence from a	How do I choose text evidence?	5 complexity	words and phrases as they are used	SCOPE Magazine
text to prove a statement.		Decode grade level words.	in a text, including figurative	Short stories such as:
Readers understand figurative	How do I interpret figurative	Analyze Point of view terms	language such as metaphors and	"Rope Burn" (L/N)
language helps to uncover	language to deepen my	Quote accurately from a text.	similes.	"Line Drive" (L/N)
deeper meaning in a piece of	understanding of a text?		RL5.5 Explain how a series of	"Popsicle Stick Bridge" (L)
text.	5	Collaborate with others to think	chapters, scenes, or stanzas, fits	
Readers use context clues to	How do authors use figurative	critically and analyze text.	together to provide the overall	See CCCS Appendix B:
determine word meaning.	language to enhance a story?		structure of a particular story,	"The Little Prince"
	language to enhance a story.	Reflect critically on learning	drama, or poem.	"Zlateh the Goat"
Vocabulary:	How do I acquire new word	experiences.	RI 5.5 Compare and contrast the	
Non-fiction, informational,	meanings?		overall structure of events, ideas	
figurative language, story	incumigs:		and concepts, or information in two	
elements, main idea and details,	SE, ELL, BSI, GT		or more texts.	
author's purpose, point of view,	Suggested Modifications:		RI 5.10 Read and comprehend	
summarize	lower lexile		informational texts.	
	leveled readers		SL5.1 Engage effectively in range of	
	audio versions of stories		collaborative discussions with	
	acronyms		diverse partners on grade 5 topics	
	scaffolding assignments		and texts building on others' ideas	
			and expressing their own clearly.	

Big Idea: Essay and Literary Analysis

Writing: 2nd Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	Standards	Assessments
Writers write to inform, instruct,	Why do we write?	Brainstorm potential topics and	W.5.3 Write narratives to	Required Benchmark
persuade, and entertain.	How does brainstorming ideas	narrow focus for a personal	develop real or imagined	Assessments:
Writers brainstorm ideas before	help my writing?	narrative and essay.	experiences or events using	teacher created assessments
choosing a topic.	How do writers share their		effective technique, descriptive	written responses to literature
Personal experiences can be a	personal experiences?	Organize writing into	details, and clear event	teacher observations
great source of material for	How do my personal experiences	paragraphs, and use effective	sequences.	rubrics
writing.	impact my creativity when	transitions.	W.5.4 Produce clear and	
Writers use a variety of	writing?		coherent writing in which the	Suggested Resources:
structures when writing.	Why do I use a specific structure	Follow a plot structure with clear	development and organization	SCOPE Magazine
Writers use vivid language, a	when writing a personal	conflict, rising action, climax,	are appropriate to task, purpose,	Write Source
variety of sentence structure and	narrative?	falling action, and resolution.	and audience.	Use narratives for mentor texts.
word choices, and literary	How can I include narrative		W.5.5 With guidance and	See CCCS Appendix B
devices to express their ideas	techniques to bring my writing to	Follow structures of essay	support from peers and adults,	Common Core Progress
and enhance their writing craft.	life?	including thesis statement and	develop and strengthen writing	Google Classroom
Writers use conventions to	Why are conventions important	supporting evidence.	as needed by planning, revising,	Video Clips
express thoughts clearly and	when writing?		editing, rewriting, or trying a	
coherently.		Elaborate main events and ideas	new approach.	
	Suggested Modifications:	by adding thoughts and feelings,	W.5.6 Use technology, including	
Vocabulary:	writing conferences	dialogue, and figurative	the Internet, to produce and	
plan, draft, revise, edit,	graphic organizer	language.	publish writing and to interact	
conference, narrative,	modeling	5 5	and collaborate with others.	
informational, sequencing,	model texts	Use vivid verbs and sensory	L.5.2 Demonstrate command of	
purpose, audience, figurative	scribe, speak to text	details.	the conventions of standard	
language, rubrics, conventions,	talk before you write		English capitalization,	
collaborate, personal narrative,	provide word bank for spelling	Collaborate with others to think	punctuation, and spelling when	
memoir, imagery, dialogue,		critically and analyze text.	writing.	
sensory details, climax, literary		Reflect critically on learning		
devices		experiences.		
		Creatively generate ideas for		
		writing.		
		winning.		

Big Idea: Analyzing Fact and Opinion; Historical Fiction

Reading: 3rd Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	CCC Standards	Assessments
Some common purposes of	How should I use nonfiction text	Read nonfiction and fact and	RL5.1 Quote accurately from a text	Required Benchmark
nonfiction texts are to explain,	features such as title, headings,	opinion based texts on an	when explaining what the text says	Assessments:
inform, teach how to do	graphics, keywords, captions,	appropriate reading level.Read	explicitly and when drawing	reading inventories
something, express an opinion	table of contents, index and	critically to interpret, analyze and	inferences from the text.	teacher created assessments
and persuade the reader to do or	glossary to understand nonfiction	evaluate an opinion piece.	RL5.2 Determine a theme of a story,	written responses to
believe something.	text?	Quote accurately from a text	drama, or poem from details in the	literature
Reading nonfiction texts requires	How can comprehension	when explaining information.	text, including how characters in a	teacher observations
specific skills and strategies that	strategies such as main idea and	Identify and use nonfiction text	story or drama respond to	rubrics
differ from reading fiction fiction	supporting details, sequencing,	features.	challenges or how the speaker in a	
texts.	drawing conclusions,	Identify and explain the author's	poem reflects upon a topic;	
Nonfiction text has features that	determining importance, and	purpose and intended audience.	summarize the text.	
aid in its understanding such as	paraphrasing to deepen my	Summarize the main idea and	RL5.4 Determine the meaning of	Suggested Resources:
title, headings, graphics, key	understanding of nonfiction text?	supporting details to paraphrase	words and phrases as they are used	"Number the Stars" novel
words, captions, table of	How can I determine if the	an opinion piece.		Short stories such as:
contents, index, and glossary and	information I read is fact or	Draw conclusions, sequence	in a text, including figurative	"Rope Burn" (L/N)
etc.	opinion?	events, and determine importance	language such as metaphors and	"Line Drive" (L/N)
Using comprehension strategies	Why should I determine an	in nonfiction texts.	similes.	"Popsicle Stick Bridge" (L)
such as main idea and supporting	author's purpose for writing	Compare and contrast two or	RI.5.1 Quote accurately from a text	
details, sequencing, drawing	nonfiction texts?	more ideas, concepts, or overall	when explaining what the text says	See CCCS Appendix B:
conclusions and paraphrasing		structures of nonfiction	explicitly when drawing inferences from the text.	"The Little Prince"
help students better understand	Suggested Modifications:	selections.	from the text.	"Zlateh the Goat"
what is being read. A fact is something that can be	use lower leveled texts,	Highlight relevant information while reading nonfiction texts.	DIFAD	Required Benchmark
proven and is supported by	heterogenous groups, modified	Determine author's purpose in	RI.5.2 Determine two or more main	Assessments:
evidence, whereas an opinion is	requirements, scaffolded	writing nonfiction texts.	ideas of a text and explain how they	Teacher created assessments
someone's belief about an issue	structure	writing nonnetion texts.	are supported by key details;	Teacher observations
or a topic.			summarize the text.	Independently read a
or a topic.		Collaborate with others to think		nonfiction selection(s) and
Vaaabulawa		critically and analyze text.	RI.5.5 Compare and contrast the	identify text features and
Vocabulary: nonfiction, analyze, title,		Reflect critically on learning	overall structure (e.g. chronology,	skills.
heading, graphics, table of		experiences. Analyze story	comparison, cause/effect, problem/	Recall and interpret
neading, graphics, table of		elements (characters, setting,	solution) of events, ideas, concepts,	information from nonfiction

contents, index, glossary, sequence, drawing conclusions, fact, opinion, concept, inference, point of view, first and third person point of viewconflict, plot events, resolution, theme, point of view, author's purpose. Determine a theme. Determine meanings of words and phrases Explain the structure of a story. Describe narrator's point of view and how it impacts a story. Read and comprehend at grade 5 complexity Decode grade level words. Analyze Point of view terms Quote accurately from a text.Collaborate with others to think critically and analyze text.Reflect critically on learning experiences.	or information in two or more texts. RI.5.6 Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent. RI.5.8 Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point(s). RL5.5 Explain how a series of chapters, scenes, or stanzas, fits together to provide the overall structure of a particular story, drama, or poem. RL 5.6 Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences how events are described. SL5.1 Engage effectively in range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners on grade 5 topics and texts building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	texts Open ended responses Review of fact and opinion Suggested Resources: Readers Digest National Geographic Time for Kids Discovery Newspapers Magazine articles
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Grade 5

Big Idea: Opinion Writing

Big Idea: Opinion Writing		Grade 5	Writing: 3 rd	^I Marking Period	ł
Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/21st Century Skills	Standards	Assessments	

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Big Idea: Poetry

Reading: 4th Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/ 21st Century Skills	CCC Standards	Assessments
Students will understand	What is poetry?	Determine the theme of a poem	RI.5.4 Determine the meaning of	Required Benchmark
poetry expresses and evokes	How do poems teach a lesson?	based upon details, summarize a	general academic and	Assessments:
emotions by utilizing sensory	What's the difference between	poem.	domain/specific words and phrases	student poetry book
images, movement and sound.	poetry and prose?	Recognize the different types	in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic	teacher created assessments
	What makes a poem great?	of figurative language in a poem.	or subject area.	written responses to poetry
Unlike prose, poetry is written	Why is poetry a popular genre to	Determine meanings of words	RF.5.3 Know and apply grade level	teacher observations
with a specific structure; every	read?	and phrases used in a poem and	phonics and word analysis skills in	rubrics
aspect of a poem has a purpose.	What big idea does the author	explain the structure of a poem.	decoding words.	Self and peer assessments
	try to get across to the reader?	Analyze how multimedia	RL.5.2 Determine a theme of a story,	(group analysis)
Different types of poetry have	How does one read a poem?	elements contribute to a poem.	drama, or poem from details in the	
different structures.	How does one make sense of	Read orally and comprehend	text, including how characters in a	Suggested Resources:
	poetry?	grade 5 poetry.	story or drama respond to	Poetry for Young People
Poetry allows the reader to	How does one use and interpret		challenges or how the speaker in a	Collection
interpret the author's message.	figurative language to deepen		poem reflects upon a topic;	A Family of Poems: My
Poetry as it relates to others'	and enhance my understanding	Collaborate with others to think	summarize the text.	Favorite Poetry for Children
ideas and experiences.	of a poem?	critically and analyze text.	RL.5.4 Determine the meaning of	Poetry for Young People
Poetry is enjoyable, varied and			words and phrases as they are used	Multimedia Resources
cultural.		Reflect critically on learning	in a text, including figurative	Google Classroom
	SE, ELL, BSI, GT	experiences.	language such as metaphors and	
Vocabulary:	Suggested Modifications:		similes.	
Acrostic, Haiku, Cinquain, Tercet,	lower lexile poems		RL.5.5 Explain how a series of	
Quatrain, couplet, ballad, epic,	audio versions of poems		chapters, scenes, or stanzas, fits	
Diamante, Bio poem, Narrative	acronyms		together to provide the overall	
figurative language,	scaffolding assignments		structure of a particular story,	
meter, rhyme, repetition,	graphic organizer		drama, or poem.	
fluctuation, lyric, couplet, stanza,			RL.5.6 Describe how a narrator's or	
verse			speaker's point of view influences	
			how events are described.	
			RL.5.7 Analyze how visual and	
			multimedia elements contribute to	
			the meaning of a poem.	

Big Idea: Poetry

Writing – 4th Marking Period

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/21st Century Skills	Standards	Assessments
Writers write poems to express	Why are poems written?	Develop precise language and	W5.2 Use precise language and	Required Benchmark
ideas and thoughts.	How are reading and writing	specific vocabulary about a topic.	domain specific vocabulary to	Assessments:
Reading and writing are	poems connected?	Use concrete words, phrases and	inform about or explain a topic.	student poetry book
connected because there's	How are feelings conveyed	sensory details to convey	W5.3d Use concrete words and	teacher created assessments
relationship between thoughts	through writing poems?	experiences and events	phrases and sensory details to	written response to poetry
and written expression.	How can self assessment with a	precisely.	convey experiences and events	teacher observations
Writers can convey their feelings	rubric help when writing	Use technology to support and	precisely.	self and peer assessments
and express ideas through	poetry?	guide your writing.	W5.6 With some guidance and	
poetry.	How does figurative language	Over a period of time create	support from adults use technology	Suggested Resources:
Self assessment allows a writer	enhance poetry writing?	different types of poetry writing	including the internet to produce	Poetry for Young People
to reflect on ideas when writing.	Why are different types of	relating to different audiences	and publish writing as well as to	Collection
Figurative language allows	poems used for different	and topics.	interact and collaborate with others.	A Family of Poems: My
creativity to be expressed and	situations?	Distinguish between different	W5.10 Write routinely over	Favorite Poetry for Children
words to come alive.	Why are appropriate	dialects and be cognizant of their	extended time frames and shorter	Poetry for Young People
Writers use different types of	conventions important in writing	existence.	time frames for a range of discipline	Anchor Charts
poems for different situations.	poetry?	Recognize and figurative	specific tasks, purposes and	
Appropriate conventions allow	How is writing a collaborative	language in context to convey	audiences.	
for better understanding and	process?	experiences and events	L5.3b Compare and contrast the	
clarity with one's words.		precisely.	varieties of English (dialects,	
Writers understand that writing	SE, ELL, BSI, GT	Apply rules and conventions of	registers used in poems).	
can be collaborative.	Suggested Modifications	standard English.	L5.5a Interpret figurative language	
	writing conferences		including similes and metaphors in	
Vocabulary:	graphic organizer	Collaborate with others to think	context.	
acrostic, haiku, cinquain, tercet,	modeling	critically and analyze text.	L5.5b Recognize and explain the	
quatrain, couplet, ballad, epic,	model poems		meaning of common idioms, adages	
diamante, bio poem, narrative,	scribe, speak to text	Reflect critically on learning	and proverbs.	
figurative language	talk before you write	experiences.	L5.2d Use underlining, quotation	
meter, rhyme, repetition,	poetry word bank		marks, or italics to indicate titles of	
fluctuation, lyric, couplet, stanza,			works.	
verse				

Grade 5

Big	Idea:	Writing	to	Explain

Writing: March

Enduring Understandings	Essential Questions	Skills/21st Century Skills	Standards	Assessments
Writers organize their	How do I organize my nonfiction	Identify the components of	W.1 Write opinion pieces on	Required Benchmark
information, and include	writing?	nonfiction text.	topics or text, supporting a point	Assessments:
relevant facts and details.	How do I create a thesis	Develop a clear thesis statement	of view with reasons and	teacher created assessments
Nonfiction writing consists of an	statement and use evidence as	with supporting details.	information.	written responses to literature
introduction, body paragraphs,	support?	Use logically ordered body	W.2 Write	writing pieces
and a conclusion.	How do writers express their	paragraphs that support the	informative/explanatory texts to	teacher observations
Writers express their ideas in a	ideas in a logical order?	thesis statement with evidence.	examine a topic and convey	rubrics
logical order.	How can I support my	Decide when to summarize,	ideas and information clearly.	
Writers paraphrase and use	statements and/or opinions with	paraphrase or use direct quotes	W.4 Produce clear and coherent	Suggested Resources:
direct quotations to cite	evidence?	with a reliable source.	writing in which the	Mentor Texts
evidence from a source to prove	How do I maintain the interest of	Write a nonfiction text that	development and organization	Storyworks articles
a claim.	my audience?	maintains the interest of the	are appropriate to task, purpose,	StoryTown titles
Writers recognize their audience	How do I effectively use	audience/reader?	and audience.	Time for Kids
and maintain their attention	transition words to relay ideas?	Link ideas and make connection	W.8 Recall relevant information	Scholastic News
through a variety of writing	How do writers choose relevant	using transition words, phrases,	from experiences or gather	http://www.dogonews.com/
techniques.	words when writing about a	and clauses.	relevant information from print	www.NEWSELA.com
Writers choose relevant words	topic?	Use domain specific vocabulary	and digital sources; summarize	Belhaven Times (L)
when writing about a specific		when writing about a topic.	or paraphrase information in	See CCCS Appendix B
topic.	SE, ELL, BSI, GT		notes and finished work, and	Anchor Charts
	Suggested Modifications:		provide a list of sources.	
	writing conferences	Collaborate with others to think	W.9 Draw evidence from literary	
Vocabulary:	graphic organizer	critically and analyze text.	or informational texts to support	
thesis, supporting details, body	modeling	Reflect critically on learning	analysis, reflection, and	
paragraphs, introduction,	model texts	experiences.	research.	
conclusion, audience, logical	scribe, speak to text		L.1 Demonstrate command of	
	talk before you write		the conventions of standard	
	provide word bank for spelling		English grammar and usage	
			when writing or speaking.	