

Adventures in Writing

Benjamin Franklin's Lightning Rod

Montana Content Standards
Language Arts
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

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EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.c. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.d. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION L.3.1.a. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

EXPECTATION L.3.1.h. Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Fluency	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Text Types and Purposes	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Production and Distribution of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.b.	Use commas in addresses.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.f.	Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.f.	Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.9.	Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.8.	Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.d. Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.f.	Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Production and Distribution of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Range of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Conventions of Standard English	
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

EXPECTATION L.3.2.f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.d. Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards**
.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION L.3.1.a. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

EXPECTATION L.3.1.d. Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

EXPECTATION L.3.2.f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Key Ideas and Details**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Integration of Knowledge and Ideas**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.7. Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.8. Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Phonics and Word Recognition**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK **RF.3.3. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.**

EXPECTATION RF.3.3.a. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.

EXPECTATION RF.3.3.b. Decode words with common Latin suffixes.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.c. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.d. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.2. Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.b. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Phonics and Word Recognition
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards**
L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.4.b.	Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.5.a.	Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.9.	Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.8.	Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Production and Distribution of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Range of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Conventions of Standard English	
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

EXPECTATION L.3.2.f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Knowledge of Language**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Key Ideas and Details**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD **Integration of Knowledge and Ideas**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.7. Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.c. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.d. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.2. Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.6. Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION L.3.1.a. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

EXPECTATION L.3.1.d. Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.1. Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Craft and Structure	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Fluency	
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Production and Distribution of Writing	

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION	L.3.5.a.	Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION L.3.1.a. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

EXPECTATION L.3.1.d. Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

EXPECTATION L.3.2.f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.1.	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.2.	Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures, including those by and about American Indians; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.3.	Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from non-literal language.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.6.	Distinguish their own point of view from that of the narrator or those of the characters. Include works by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.7.	Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
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EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

EXPECTATION W.3.3.a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.

EXPECTATION W.3.3.b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

The Fox and the Crow, Part 2

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature**
L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.1. Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.2. Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures, including those by and about American Indians; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

EXPECTATION W.3.3.a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.

EXPECTATION W.3.3.b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.a. Capitalize appropriate words in titles.

EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

EXPECTATION L.3.2.f. Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

The Theft of Thor's Hammer, Part 1

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.1. Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.2. Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures, including those by and about American Indians; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.3. Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RL.3.4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from non-literal language.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.6.	Distinguish their own point of view from that of the narrator or those of the characters. Include works by and about American Indians.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.7.	Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature L.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Phonics and Word Recognition
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.a.	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	RF.3.4.c.	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
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EXPECTATION W.3.3.a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.

EXPECTATION W.3.3.b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.c. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.d. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.2. Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.4. Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK SL.3.6. Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION L.3.2.e. Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.b. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
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EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).
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The Theft of Thor's Hammer, Part 2

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards for Literature**
L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.1.	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.3.2.	Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures, including those by and about American Indians; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills**
F.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Phonics and Word Recognition
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.3.a.	Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.3.b.	Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.f.	Ensure subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.3.4.b.	Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).
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Tornadoes

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Phonics and Word Recognition
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
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EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
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EXPECTATION W.3.3.b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards**
.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.a.	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.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards**
L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards**
L.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.4.b.	Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION	L.3.5.a.	Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.1.	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.2.	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.4.	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.7.	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.3.8.	Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Fluency
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.b.	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.3.4.a.	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards**
3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.

EXPECTATION W.3.2.d. Provide a concluding statement or section.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards**
.3.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.****BENCHMARK / STANDARD** **Key Ideas and Details**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.****BENCHMARK / STANDARD** **Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.****BENCHMARK / STANDARD** **Integration of Knowledge and Ideas**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.7. Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.8. Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.9. Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.RI Reading Standards for Informational Text .3.****BENCHMARK / STANDARD** **Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK RI.3.10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.****BENCHMARK / STANDARD** **Fluency**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.4.	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
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EXPECTATION RF.3.4.a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

EXPECTATION RF.3.4.c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.5. 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 3.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.8. Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories. Include sources by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK W.3.10. 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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.SL Speaking and Listening Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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EXPECTATION SL.3.1.a. 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.

EXPECTATION SL.3.1.b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.c.	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
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EXPECTATION	SL.3.1.d.	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.2.	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.S Speaking and Listening Standards L.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.4.	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace. Include sources by and about American Indians.
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.3.6.	Speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification. (See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION L.3.3.a. Choose words and phrases for effect.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION L.3.4.a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.5.	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION L.3.5.a. Distinguish the literal and non-literal meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK L.3.6. Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.R Reading Standards: Foundational Skills F.3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Phonics and Word Recognition
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RF.3.3.	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.a.	Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
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EXPECTATION	RF.3.3.b.	Decode words with common Latin suffixes.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

EXPECTATION	W.3.2.a.	Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.b.	Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.
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EXPECTATION	W.3.2.d.	Provide a concluding statement or section.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.4.	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.5.	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 3.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.6.	With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.W Writing Standards .3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.3.10.	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.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.3.1.a.	Explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.1.d.	Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.3.2.a.	Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.e.	Use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
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EXPECTATION	L.3.2.f.	Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.3.3.a.	Choose words and phrases for effect.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN **MT.CC.L. Language Standards 3.**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.3.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.3.4.b.	Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat).
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