

Main Criteria: Bible-Based Writing Lessons

Secondary Criteria: Wyoming Content and Performance Standards

Subject: Language Arts

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Bible-Based Writing Lessons

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Language Arts

Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION SL.9-10.1(a) Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.4.	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012		
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.4.	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.4.	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.4.	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **Range of Writing**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK **Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Language Arts		
Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012		
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE W.9-10.10. 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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Craft and Structure		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE		
Reading Standards for Literature		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11 Reading Standards for Literature -12.**

BENCHMARK		
Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11 Reading Standards for Literature -12.**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards		

BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION		
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards		

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11** **Reading Standards for Literature**
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BENCHMARK			Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11** **Reading Standards for Literature**
-12.

BENCHMARK			Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.W.11-12.		
BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.W.11-12.		
BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Craft and Structure		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE		
Reading Standards for Literature		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11 Reading Standards for Literature -12.**

BENCHMARK		
Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11 Reading Standards for Literature -12.**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards		

BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION		
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards		

Range of Writing		
BENCHMARK	GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11** **Reading Standards for Literature**
-12.

BENCHMARK			Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11** **Reading Standards for Literature**
-12.

BENCHMARK			Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.	
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK			Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE L.9-10.6. Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.9-10.10.** **Range of Writing**

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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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Craft and Structure		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK **Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(c)	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		
Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		
Craft and Structure		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.W.11-12.** **Research to Build and Present Knowledge**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
Reading Standards for Informational Text		
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
Reading Standards for Informational Text		
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
Writing Standards		
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
Writing Standards		
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE L.11-12.6. Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		
Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012		
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text	
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text	
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text	
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards	
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards	

Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE L.11-12.6. Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Language Arts

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.W.11-12.** **Research to Build and Present Knowledge**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
Conventions of Standard English		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK **Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **SL.11-12.1.** **Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.**

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK **Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK **Text Types and Purposes**

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.7.	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.3.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.3(a)	Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., MLA Handbook, Turabian's Manual for Writers) appropriate for the discipline and writing type.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.7.	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.3.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.3(a)	Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., MLA Handbook, Turabian's Manual for Writers) appropriate for the discipline and writing type.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.7.	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Language Arts

Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.3.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.3(a)	Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., MLA Handbook, Turabian's Manual for Writers) appropriate for the discipline and writing type.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Wyoming Content and Performance Standards

Language Arts

Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.3.	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.3(a)	Write and edit work so that it conforms to the guidelines in a style manual (e.g., MLA Handbook, Turabian's Manual for Writers) appropriate for the discipline and writing type.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Wyoming Content and Performance Standards

Language Arts

Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Language Arts

Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.7.	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 9 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Language Arts

Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.SL.9-10. Speaking and Listening Standards		
BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
Conventions of Standard English		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
Text Types and Purposes		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE L.11-12.6. Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(b)	Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK			Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.	
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards	
BENCHMARK			Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.	
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards	
BENCHMARK			Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.	
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.	
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.	
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards	
BENCHMARK			Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.	
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards	
BENCHMARK			Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(a)	Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(b)	Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(d)	Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Comprehension and Collaboration		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12. Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12. Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 12 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.W.9-10. Writing Standards		
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Comprehension and Collaboration Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Conventions of Standard English Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11-12.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Key Ideas and Details		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Craft and Structure		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.9-10.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.9-10.5.** **Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.**

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11 -12.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.11 -12.	Reading Standards for Literature
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BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11 -12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12. Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **RL.11-12.10.** By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.11-12.4.** Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.11-12.5.** Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.11-12.10.** 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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **SL.11-12.1.** Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION **SL.11-12.1(a)** Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION **SL.11-12.1(b)** Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.

EXPECTATION **SL.11-12.1(c)** Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.

EXPECTATION **SL.11-12.1(d)** Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12. Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **L.11-12.4.** Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK			Production and Distribution of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK			Range of Writing	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.		

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK			Comprehension and Collaboration	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.		

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK			Conventions of Standard English	
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.		

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 10 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.3.	Analyze how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language evokes a sense of time and place; how it sets a formal or informal tone).
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.5.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RL.9-10.	Reading Standards for Literature

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.9-10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
Conventions of Standard English		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK		
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.RL.11-12. Reading Standards for Literature		
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.RL.11-12. Reading Standards for Literature		
BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 11, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD		
WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards		
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.2.	Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.3.	Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RL.11-12.** Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RL.11-12.10.	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards	

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE **W.9-10.10.** 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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION **SL.9-10.1(a)** Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION **SL.9-10.1(c)** Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

EXPECTATION **SL.9-10.1(d)** Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION **L.9-10.1(b)** Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION **L.9-10.4(a)** Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION **L.9-10.4(d)** Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12. Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
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EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.11-12.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards

Production and Distribution of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
Range of Writing		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
Conventions of Standard English		
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
Text Types and Purposes		

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.11-12. Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.11-12. Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
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EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.9-10.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
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EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
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BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.9-10.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
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BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.9-10.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.SL.9-10.** **Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Grade 11 - Adopted: 2012

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.RI.11-12.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.2.	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.RI.11-12.** **Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK		Craft and Structure
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GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	RI.11-12.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.11-12.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).

CONTENT STANDARD **WY.L.11-12.** **Language Standards**

BENCHMARK		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.11-12.6.	Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD **WY.W.9-10.** **Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.

EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
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EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(a)	Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.9-10.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.9-10.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.9-10.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.9-10.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.9-10.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9-10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.
EXPECTATION	SL.9-10.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.L.9-10.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	L.9-10.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.9-10.1(b)	Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.1.	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(a)	Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(b)	Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.
EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.

EXPECTATION	W.11-12.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.5.	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
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CONTENT STANDARD	WY.W.11-12.	Writing Standards
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BENCHMARK		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	W.11-12.10.	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 tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD	WY.SL.11-12.	Speaking and Listening Standards
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BENCHMARK		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXAMPLE	SL.11-12.1.	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(b)	Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision-making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(c)	Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and creative perspectives.
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EXPECTATION	SL.11-12.1(d)	Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments, claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to deepen the investigation or complete the task.
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