

## Structure and Style for Students

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**Minnesota Academic Standards**  
**Language Arts**  
Grade 9 - Adopted: 2010

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Craft and Structure
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.10.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.3.3.</b>	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.1 0.	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.4.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.4.10.10. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
a.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.4.10.10. Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.3.3.</b>	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.3.3.a. Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.3.3.c. Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.9.</b>	<b>Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12</b>

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**



<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.2.2. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.4.4. 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).

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.4.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.4.10.10. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
a.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.4.10.10. Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.  
b.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.2.2. 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.3.3. Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.4.4. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.5.10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.5.10.10. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Production and Distribution of Writing
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Range of Writing
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.7.10.10.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Media Literacy
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Conventions of Standard English
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.2.2.c.	Spell correctly.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.4.4. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.5.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.5.10.10. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.2.2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.7.4.4. 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.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Comprehension and Collaboration</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.1.1.</b>	<b>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, including those by and about Minnesota American Indians, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.4.4.	While respecting intellectual property, 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 (e.g., persuasion, argumentation, debate).
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.2.2. 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.3.3. Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.4.4.	While respecting intellectual property, 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 (e.g., persuasion, argumentation, debate).
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND . 9.11.6.6. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.3.3.</b>	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.3.3.a. Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.3.3.c. Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.3.3.e. Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.4.4. 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.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.5.5. Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.10.10.</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. a. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.9.4.4. While respecting intellectual property, 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 (e.g., persuasion, argumentation, debate).

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.2.2. 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.3.3. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.4.4. 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).

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.4.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.3.3.	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.4.4.	While respecting intellectual property, 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 (e.g., persuasion, argumentation, debate).
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.11.6.6. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.3.3.	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.1 0.	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.4.4.	While respecting intellectual property, 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 (e.g., persuasion, argumentation, debate).

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>	<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>	
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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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<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>	<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>	
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>	<b>Craft and Structure</b>	
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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).

<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>	<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>	

<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.5.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.5.10.10. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.4.4. 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.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.5.5. Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.10.10.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Comprehension and Collaboration</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.1.1.</b>	<b>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, including those by and about Minnesota American Indians, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Comprehension and Collaboration</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.1.1.	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, including those by and about Minnesota American Indians, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.1.1.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.1.1.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.2.2.c.	Spell correctly.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.6.6.</b>	<b>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.</b>

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12</b>	
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12</b>	

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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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<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND . 9.11.6.6. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.3.3.	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>



INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND . 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Craft and Structure
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Text Types and Purposes
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.9.</b>	<b>Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>

<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.7.7.</b>	<b>Understand, analyze, evaluate, and use different types of print, digital, and multimodal media.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.7.7.b. Synthesize information and recognize categories, trends, and themes across multiple sources.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.a. Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.2.2. 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.3.3. Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.5.10.10. a. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.7.7.	<b>Understand, analyze, evaluate, and use different types of print, digital, and multimodal media.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.7.7.b.	Synthesize information and recognize categories, trends, and themes across multiple sources.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.a.	Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.5. **Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.2.2. 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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.3.3. Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.5. **Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.5.4.4. 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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.5. **Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.5.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.5.10.10. a. Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.7.7.</b>	<b>Understand, analyze, evaluate, and use different types of print, digital, and multimodal media.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.7.7.b.      Synthesize information and recognize categories, trends, and themes across multiple sources.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.a.      Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.b.      Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.3.3.	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.6.6.	<b>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.</b>

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.9.</b>	<b>Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>

<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.a. Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.4.4. 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.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.5.5. Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.7.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.



**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.7.8.8.      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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.a.      Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.b.      Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.1.1.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.2.2.c.      Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS .      9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.11.6.6.      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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.4.1.1.      Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.4.2.2.      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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.4.3.3.      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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.4.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Integration of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.9.9.	Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work (e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare or how a Minnesota American Indian author uses oral tradition to create works of literature).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.4.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.3.3.	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.9.9.	<b>Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.9.9.a.	Apply grades 9-10 reading standards to literature (e.g., "Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work [e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare]").

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
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<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.9.8.8.</b>	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.2.2.</b>	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.6.6.</b>	<b>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.</b>

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Craft and Structure
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Media Literacy
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Conventions of Standard English
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Conventions of Standard English
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		Knowledge of Language
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.3.3.	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.



INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.4.4.      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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Integration of Knowledge and Ideas</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND      9.5.7.7.      Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person's life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.5.10.10.      Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.1.1.	<b>Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.1.1.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.1.1.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.1.1.d.      Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.1.1.e.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.e.	Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.7.10.10. a. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS      9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.1 0.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.1.1.	<b>Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.1.1.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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.1.1.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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.1.1.d.	Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.1.1.e.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.e.	Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.10.10. a.	Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.a.	Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.9.8.8.b.	Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.



INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.2.2.b	Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.2.2.c	Spell correctly.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.3.3.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.11.4.4</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.11.6.6.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.5. Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12**

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.1.1.	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.2.2.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.3.3.	Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Craft and Structure
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.4.4.	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).
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.5.</b>	<b>Reading Benchmarks: Informational Text 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.5.10.10.	<b>By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.5.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
<b>CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN</b>	<b>MN.9.7.</b>	<b>Writing Benchmarks 6-12</b>
PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	<b>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.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.7.7.	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.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
a.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	<b>As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.a. Present, transform, or remix content in an ethical manner, demonstrating an understanding of copyright, attribution, citation, the principles of Fair Use, and of the different types of Creative Commons licenses.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	<b>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.b Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.3.3.	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4 .	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.10.1 0.	By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.2.2.	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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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.3.3.</b>	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
a.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**



<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.3.3.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4 .	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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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<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Key Ideas and Details</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.4.1.1. Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.2.2.	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.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.3.3.	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.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Craft and Structure</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.4.4.	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).
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.4.5.5.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.4. Reading Benchmarks: Literature 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.4.10.1 0.</b>	<b>By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literature and other texts 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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. a.	Self-select texts for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.4.10.10. b.	Read widely to understand multiple perspectives and pluralistic viewpoints.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.2.2.</b>	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.2.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.
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**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Text Types and Purposes</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	<b>9.7.3.3.</b>	<b>Write narratives and other creative texts develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.c.	Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole.
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS	9.7.3.3.e.	Provide a conclusion (when appropriate to the genre) that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative or creative text.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.4.4.	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.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.5.5.	Use a writing process to develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, drafting, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grades 9-10 on page 75.)
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.6.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b>
INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND	9.7.8.8.	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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.7. Writing Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Range of Writing</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.7.10.10.	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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.7.10.10. Independently select writing topics and formats for personal enjoyment, interest, and academic tasks.  
a.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.9. Speaking, Viewing, Listening and Media Literacy Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Media Literacy</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.9.8.8.	As an individual or in collaboration, create a multimedia work, a remix of original work and the work of others, or a piece of digital communication for a specific purpose (e.g., to interpret or respond to a piece of literature, to represent thematic similarities between two literary works, to interact or collaborate globally, to critique a current event or social issue.)

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.9.8.8.b. Publish the work and share with an audience.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.1.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.1.1.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 / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Conventions of Standard English</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.2.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS 9.11.2.2.c. Spell correctly.

**CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN** **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Knowledge of Language</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.3.3.	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.3.3.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
<b>INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND</b>	9.11.4.4 .	<b>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.</b>

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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.

INDICATORS OF PROGRESS . 9.11.4.4.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 / DOMAIN**      **MN.9.11. Language Benchmarks 6-12**

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR / DOMAIN COMPONENT</b>		<b>Vocabulary Acquisition and Use</b>
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INDICATORS OF PROGRESS / STRAND 9.11.6.6. 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.