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Language Arts
Grade **7** - Adopted: **2011**

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**SL.7.1.**	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**

EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.6.	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 7 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Knowledge of Language**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Key Ideas and Details**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.9.**	**Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.9.b.	Apply grade 7 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g. "Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims").

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**SL.7.1.**	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**

EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.6.	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 7 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.3.	Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.6.	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 6-8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.

EXPECTATION	W.7.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**SL.7.1.**	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.c.	Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
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BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

EXPECTATION	W.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
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GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.W .7. | Writing Standards |

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.SL .7. | Speaking and Listening Standards |

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.S L.7. | Speaking and Listening Standards |

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.c.	Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.

EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	**Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	**Speaking and Listening Standards**

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

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.6.	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 7 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.2.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Knowledge of Language**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**SL.7.1.**	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.

EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.SL.7.**	**Speaking and Listening Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.L.7.**	**Language Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.L.7.**	**Language Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.2.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.L.7.**	**Language Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Knowledge of Language**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.L.7.**	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	**MT.CC.L. 7.**	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.RI .7.**	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Key Ideas and Details**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.RI .7.**	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W. 7.**	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**

| EXPECTATION | L.7.1.a. | Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences. |

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

| BENCHMARK / STANDARD | | Conventions of Standard English |
| GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK | L.7.2. | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. |

| EXPECTATION | L.7.2.b. | Spell correctly. |

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

| BENCHMARK / STANDARD | | Knowledge of Language |
| GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK | L.7.3. | Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. |

| EXPECTATION | L.7.3.a. | Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy. |

| CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

| BENCHMARK / STANDARD | | Vocabulary Acquisition and Use |
| GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK | L.7.4. | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. |

| EXPECTATION | L.7.4.a. | Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. |

| EXPECTATION | L.7.4.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 | MT.CC.L. 7. | Language Standards |

| BENCHMARK / STANDARD | | Vocabulary Acquisition and Use |
| GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK | L.7.6. | Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression. |

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W .7.**	**Writing Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W .7.**	**Writing Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W .7.**	**Writing Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.SL .7.**	**Speaking and Listening Standards**
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.2.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.3.	Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.6.	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 6-8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.3.**	**Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.RI .7.**	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.RI .7.**	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Integration of Knowledge and Ideas**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W. 7.**	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W. 7.**	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**SL.7.1.**	**Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.**

EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.1.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Conventions of Standard English**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.2.**	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Knowledge of Language**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	**Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.c.	Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

EXPECTATION	L.7.5.b.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.9.	Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Include texts by and about American Indians.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.a.	Introduce claim(s), acknowledge alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.c.	Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), reasons, and evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.e.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Knowledge of Language**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.3.**	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	**Language Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	**Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	**Reading Standards for Informational Text**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	**Speaking and Listening Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Comprehension and Collaboration**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	**Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	**Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.**

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**L.7.4.**	**Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.**
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Vocabulary Acquisition and Use**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Key Ideas and Details**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.2.	Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.3.	Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events, or how individuals influence ideas or events).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI.7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.5.	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. Include sources and/or topics by and about American Indians.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.R L.7.	Reading Standards for Literature
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.3.	Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.6.	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 6-8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.**	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.3.**	**Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.**
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.**	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Production and Distribution of Writing**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	**MT.CC.W Writing Standards .7.**	
BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Research to Build and Present Knowledge**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL .7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.a.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.c.	Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.
EXPECTATION	SL.7.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.S L.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	Reading Standards for Literature

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Key Ideas and Details
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.3.	Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	**Reading Standards for Literature**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Craft and Structure**

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.6.	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RL.7.	**Reading Standards for Literature**

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

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RL.7.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 6-8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.1.**	**Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W.7.	**Writing Standards**

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		**Text Types and Purposes**
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.2.**	**Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. Writing Standards 7.	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	**W.7.3.**	**Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.**

EXPECTATION	W.7.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
EXPECTATION	W.7.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7. Writing Standards	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Production and Distribution of Writing
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.4.	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.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.(Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 7.)
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7. Writing Standards	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W .7. Writing Standards	

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Range of Writing

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.SL.7.	Speaking and Listening Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Comprehension and Collaboration

GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	SL.7.2.	Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

EXPECTATION	L.7.1.a.	Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Conventions of Standard English
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

EXPECTATION	L.7.2.b.	Spell correctly.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Knowledge of Language
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

EXPECTATION	L.7.3.a.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.L.7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

EXPECTATION	L.7.4.a.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
EXPECTATION	L.7.4.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	MT.CC.L. 7.	Language Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	L.7.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.RI .7.	Reading Standards for Informational Text

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Craft and Structure
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
EXPECTATION	W.7.1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources, including oral sources, and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

CONTENT STANDARD / DOMAIN	MT.CC.W. 7.	Writing Standards

BENCHMARK / STANDARD		Text Types and Purposes
GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATION / BENCHMARK	W.7.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

EXPECTATION	W.7.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
EXPECTATION	W.7.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

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