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Language Arts

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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation.
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that:
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		The organization, development, vocabulary, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Convention of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 for specific expectations regarding vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation.
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that:
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR The organization, development, vocabulary, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Convention of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.b. Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM 4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 for specific expectations regarding vocabulary.)

DOMAIN Grade 7 Language Standards [L]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning

INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation.
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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GSE STEM	3	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that:
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		The organization, development, vocabulary, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Convention of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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 a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Analyze how particular elements of a story, poem, or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, or mood, including the impact of repeated use of particular images. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze how aspects of a literary work’s structure contribute to its meaning or style (e.g., the effect of repetition in an epic, flashback in a novel, soliloquy in a drama).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	6	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary texts representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an appropriate narrative sequence.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 for specific expectations regarding vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
GSE STEM	3	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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 a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Analyze how particular elements of a story, poem, or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, or mood, including the impact of repeated use of particular images. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze how aspects of a literary work's structure contribute to its meaning or style (e.g., the effect of repetition in an epic, flashback in a novel, soliloquy in a drama).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	6	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary texts representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an appropriate narrative sequence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation.
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GSE STEM	6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that:
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR

The organization, development, vocabulary, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM

6

Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Convention of Standard English
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GSE STEM

1

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

GSE STEM

2

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM

3

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM

4

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.

GSE STEM

6

Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR

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Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR

2

Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
GSE STEM	4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate vocabulary, eye contact, volume, and pronunciation. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 for specific expectations regarding vocabulary.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).

INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR 1.a. Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.

INDICATOR 1.b. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).

INDICATOR 1.d. Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM 6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 6 Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM 7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.

GSE STEM 8 When conducting research, 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.

GSE STEM 9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR 1.a. Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.

INDICATOR 1.b. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).

INDICATOR 1.d. Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM 6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]	
STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE	Production and Distribution of Writing	
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]	
STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE	Research to Build and Present Knowledge	
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]	
STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE	Range of Writing	
GSE STEM	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.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]	
STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE	Comprehension and Collaboration	
GSE STEM	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.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Language Standards [L]	
STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE	Conventions of Standard English	
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM 6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

GSE STEM 5 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.

GSE STEM 6 Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 2 Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM 1 Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.

GSE STEM 2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

GSE STEM 3 Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	6	Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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 a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Analyze how particular elements of a story, poem, or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
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DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, or mood, including the impact of repeated use of particular images. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze how aspects of a literary work's structure contribute to its meaning or style (e.g., the effect of repetition in an epic, flashback in a novel, soliloquy in a drama).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	6	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary texts representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an appropriate narrative sequence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and figurative and sensory language to establish a mood that evokes an emotion, to capture action, and to convey experiences or events.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 7 Integrate visual information (e.g., charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with other information in print and digital texts.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN**Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN**Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Language Standards [L]	

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Language Standards [L]	

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Language Standards [L]	

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
DOMAIN	Grade 7 Language Standards [L]	

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	5	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Identify key steps in a text’s description of a process related to history/social studies (e.g., how a bill becomes law, how interest rates are raised or lowered).
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3 Follow precisely a multi-step procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.a. Introduce claim(s) about a topic or issue, acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims/critiques, and organize the reasons and evidence logically in paragraphs and sections.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant, accurate data and evidence that demonstrate an understanding of the topic or text, using credible sources.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Use words, phrases, and clauses with precision to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims/critiques, reasons, and evidence.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.e.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

DOMAIN

Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.

GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.

GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.a.	Introduce claim(s), acknowledge alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically in paragraphs and sections.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), reasons, and evidence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.e.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR 1.a. Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.

INDICATOR 1.b. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).

INDICATOR 1.d. Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.

DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

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Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1.d. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.a. Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.e. Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5 Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 10 Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2 Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 4 Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

GSE STEM	5	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.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally), including how written texts incorporate features such as headings.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend history/social studies texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grades 6–8 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.
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DOMAIN **Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend science/technical texts exhibiting complexity appropriate for the grade/course.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, assess the credibility and accuracy of each source, and integrate the information while avoiding plagiarism.
GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2	Determine a text's central idea(s) and analyze its/their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections and text features (e.g., headings) contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary nonfiction representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	1	Write arguments (e.g., essays, letters to the editor, advocacy speeches) to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.e.	Establish and maintain a style appropriate to audience and purpose (e.g., formal for academic writing).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 2.b. Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 3.a. Maintain appropriate consistency in style and tone while varying sentence patterns for meaning and audience interest.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM 6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for 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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on discipline-specific topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grades 6–8 Reading Standard 1 for more on the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.c.	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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GSE STEM	3	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
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GSE STEM	6	Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	1	Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

DOMAIN College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.

DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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 a text.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Analyze how particular elements of a story, poem, or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).

DOMAIN Grade 7 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, or mood, including the impact of repeated use of particular images. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze how aspects of a literary work’s structure contribute to its meaning or style (e.g., the effect of repetition in an epic, flashback in a novel, soliloquy in a drama).
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	6	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary texts representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an appropriate narrative sequence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
GSE STEM	5	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.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.a. Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).

SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 6 Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM 8 When conducting research, 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.

GSE STEM 9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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 clearly expressing their own.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 1 and Reading Informational Text Standard 1 for specific expectations regarding the use of textual evidence.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
GSE STEM	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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)

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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Key Ideas and Details
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GSE STEM	1	Read closely to determine what a text states explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from a text.
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GSE STEM	2	Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.
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GSE STEM	3	Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
GSE STEM	5	Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of a text relate to each other and the whole.
GSE STEM	6	Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
GSE STEM	9	Analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics in order to build knowledge or to compare the approaches the authors take.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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GSE STEM	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach.
GSE STEM	6	Use technology to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Knowledge of Language
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GSE STEM	3	Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
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GSE STEM		Key Ideas and Details
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	1	Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what a text states explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, quoting or paraphrasing as appropriate. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 8 for more on quoting and paraphrasing.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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 a text.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3	Analyze how particular elements of a story, poem, or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, or mood, including the impact of repeated use of particular images. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5	Analyze how aspects of a literary work’s structure contribute to its meaning or style (e.g., the effect of repetition in an epic, flashback in a novel, soliloquy in a drama).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	6	Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Literature [RL]
GSE STEM		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	10	Independently and proficiently read and comprehend literary texts representing a variety of genres, cultures, and perspectives and exhibiting complexity appropriate for at least grade 7.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	3	Write narratives to develop experiences or events using effective literary techniques, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured sequences.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an appropriate narrative sequence.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.a.	Demonstrate command of standard English conventions (as described in Language Standards 1–3 up to and including grade 7).
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	5.b.	Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	6	Use technology, including current web-based communication platforms, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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GSE STEM	8	When conducting research, 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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GSE STEM	9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support written analysis, interpretation, reflection, and research, applying one or more grade 7 Standards for Reading Literature or Reading Informational Text as needed.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	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.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; retain and further develop language skills learned in previous grades. (See grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 6 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of conventions.)
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR		Sentence Structure, Variety, and Meaning
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INDICATOR	1.a.	Use phrases and clauses to communicate ideas precisely, with attention to skillful use of verb tenses to add clarity.
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INDICATOR	1.b.	Recognize and correct vague pronouns (those that have unclear or ambiguous antecedents).
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INDICATOR	1.d.	Recognize that changing the placement of a phrase or clause can add variety, emphasize particular relationships among ideas, or alter the meaning of a sentence or paragraph.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Conventions of Standard English
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GSE STEM	2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Spell correctly, recognizing that some words have commonly accepted variations (e.g., donut/doughnut).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4.d.	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: History/Social Studies [RCA-H]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.
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DOMAIN Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas – Grades 6–8 Reading Standards

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grades 6–8 Reading Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas: Science and Career and Technical Subjects [RCA-ST]
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GSE STEM		Craft and Structure
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	4	Determine the meaning of general academic vocabulary as well as symbols, notation, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics.
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DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; use paragraphs and sections to organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purpose; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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DOMAIN Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
GSE STEM	5	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.

DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Writing Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [WCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **Grades 6–8 Speaking and Listening Standards for Literacy in the Content Areas [SLCA]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Craft and Structure
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GSE STEM	4	Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
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GSE STEM	7	Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
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GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM	10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM	2	Integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
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DOMAIN **College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM	6	Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Reading Standards**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Grade 7 Reading Standards for Informational Text [RI]
GSE STEM		Craft and Structure

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	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. (See grade 7 Language Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Text Types and Purposes
GSE STEM	2	Write informative/explanatory texts (e.g., essays, oral reports, biographical feature articles) to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information in paragraphs and sections, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include text features (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR	2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM 4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Production and Distribution of Writing
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GSE STEM	5	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.
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SPECIFIC INDICATOR 5.b. Demonstrate the ability to select accurate vocabulary appropriate for audience and purpose (as described in Language Standards 4–6 up to and including grade 7).

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Writing Standards [W]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Range of Writing
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Speaking and Listening Standards [SL]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Comprehension and Collaboration
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GSE STEM 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.

DOMAIN **Grade 7 Language Standards [L]**

STATEMENT OF ENDURING KNOWLEDGE		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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GSE STEM 6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; independently research words and gather vocabulary knowledge. (See grade 7 Reading Literature Standard 4 and Reading Informational Text Standard 4 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading; see grade 7 Writing Standard 5 and Speaking and Listening Standard 4 on strengthening writing and presentations by applying knowledge of vocabulary.)