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Secondary Criteria: Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

Subject: Language Arts

Grade: 8

Structure and Style for Students Year 3 Level B

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Language Arts

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**STRAND /
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STANDARD**

Reading Literature Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Key Ideas and Details

INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

RL.8.2.

Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Reading Literature Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Craft and Structure

INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

RL.8.5.

Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Reading Literature Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

RL.8.10.

By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Writing Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Text Types and Purposes

INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

W.8.3.

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.3.d.

Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

W.8.5.

With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing	
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INDICATOR /
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LEVEL

W.8.10.

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.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
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INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

SL.8.1.

Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE

SL.8.1.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.

OBJECTIVE

SL.8.1.b.

Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.

OBJECTIVE

SL.8.1.d.

Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
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INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL

L.8.1.

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

OBJECTIVE

L.8.1.d.

Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.2.a.	Use punctuation (comma, ellipsis, dash) to indicate a pause or break.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure	

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.5.	Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Reading Literature Standards

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INDICATOR**

Key Ideas and Details

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PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

RL.8.2.

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TOPIC /
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Reading Literature Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Craft and Structure

**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

RL.8.5.

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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
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Reading Literature Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

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Writing Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Text Types and Purposes

**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

W.8.3.

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.3.d.

Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Writing Standards

**TOPIC /
INDICATOR**

Production and Distribution of Writing

**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

W.8.4.

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.)

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.4.	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 and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.5.	Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD			Writing Standards			
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes				
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.				
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.				
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards					
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing				
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards					
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards					
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration				
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.				
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.				
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE

L.8.1.d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE

L.8.4.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.

OBJECTIVE

L.8.4.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).

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.3.	Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story or drama propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure	
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LEVEL

RL.8.4.

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 and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
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INDICATOR /
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LEVEL

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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.2.a.

Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.2.b.

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

OBJECTIVE

W.8.2.c.

Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.2.d.

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

OBJECTIVE

W.8.2.f.

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

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STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE

W.8.3.b.

Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

**STRAND /
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STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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Text Types and Purposes		
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards		
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Research to Build and Present Knowledge		
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Range of Writing		
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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).

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Reading Literature Standards
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Reading Informational Text

Topic / Indicator		Craft and Structure
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Indicator / Proficiency Level	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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Strand / Topic / Standard		Writing Standards
Topic / Indicator		Text Types and Purposes
Indicator / Proficiency Level	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

Objective	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
Objective	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
Objective	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
Objective	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
Objective	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

Strand / Topic / Standard		Writing Standards
Topic / Indicator		Text Types and Purposes
Indicator / Proficiency Level	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

Objective	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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Strand / Topic / Standard		Writing Standards
Topic / Indicator		Production and Distribution of Writing
Indicator / Proficiency Level	W.8.4.	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.)

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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Language Standards		
Strand / Topic / Standard	Topic / Indicator	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
Indicator / Proficiency Level	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
Objective	L.8.4.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.
Objective	L.8.4.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).
Strand / Topic / Standard	Topic / Indicator	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
Indicator / Proficiency Level	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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Strand / Topic / Standard	Topic / Indicator	Reading Literature Standards
Indicator / Proficiency Level	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
Strand / Topic / Standard	Topic / Indicator	Reading Literature Standards
Indicator / Proficiency Level	RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
Strand / Topic / Standard	Topic / Indicator	Writing Standards
Indicator / Proficiency Level		Text Types and Purposes

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.c.	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Writing Standards	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Speaking and Listening Standards	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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).
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Literature Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.c.	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.5.b.	Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Reading Informational Text

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE L.8.1.d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE L.8.4.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.

OBJECTIVE L.8.4.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).

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL L.8.6. Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE W.8.3.a. Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.

OBJECTIVE W.8.3.b. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.c.	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Speaking and Listening Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

**STRAND /
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Speaking and Listening Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.a.	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.c.	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.d.	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.
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OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.e.	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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**STRAND /
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STANDARD**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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**STRAND /
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE

L.8.1.d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Craft and Structure	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Reading Literature Standards
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Key Ideas and Details

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Reading Informational Text
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Reading Informational Text
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Writing Standards
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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.

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Speaking and Listening Standards
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

**STRAND /
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Speaking and Listening Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE L.8.1.d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE L.8.4.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.

OBJECTIVE L.8.4.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).

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD**

Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards**Language Arts****Grade 8 - Adopted: 2022****STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE L.8.1.d. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL L.8.6. Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.

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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL RL.8.1. Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Key Ideas and Details
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL RI.8.1. Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL RI.8.2. Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD **Reading Informational Text**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Research to Build and Present Knowledge	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Writing Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
OBJECTIVE		Unit 7: Inventive Writing Week 13, p. 135-138

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Reading Literature Standards
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.
OBJECTIVE		Grade 8 - Adopted: 2022

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD		Reading Literature Standards
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.

Topic / Indicator		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
Indicator / Proficiency Level	RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
Strand / Topic / Standard		Writing Standards
Topic / Indicator		Production and Distribution of Writing
Indicator / Proficiency Level	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
Strand / Topic / Standard		Speaking and Listening Standards
Topic / Indicator		Comprehension and Collaboration
Indicator / Proficiency Level	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
Objective	SL.8.1.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.
Objective	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
Objective	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
Strand / Topic / Standard		Language Standards
Topic / Indicator		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
Indicator / Proficiency Level	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
Objective	L.8.4.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.
Objective	L.8.4.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).
Strand / Topic / Standard		Language Standards
Topic / Indicator		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Production and Distribution of Writing	

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Reading Literature Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Reading Informational Text

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Reading Informational Text	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Craft and Structure
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Research to Build and Present Knowledge
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Writing
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Comprehension and Collaboration	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
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TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.7.	Conduct short 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.
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
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STANDARD**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Language Standards	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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**STRAND /
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STANDARD**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Writing Standards	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.a.	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.c.	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.d.	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.f.	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR	Text Types and Purposes	
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Writing Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Speaking and Listening Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
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**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

SL.8.4.

Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Contents of Standard English	
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**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

L.8.1.

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

OBJECTIVE

L.8.1.a.

Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.

OBJECTIVE

L.8.1.d.

Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Language Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
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**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

L.8.6.

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

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TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Key Ideas and Details	
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**INDICATOR /
PROFICIENCY
LEVEL**

RL.8.2.

Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.

**STRAND /
TOPIC /
STANDARD****Reading Literature Standards**

TOPIC / INDICATOR	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.2.b.	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Text Types and Purposes
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

OBJECTIVE	W.8.3.b.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.
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STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Production and Distribution of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.4.	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.)
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 8.)

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD

Writing Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Range of Writing
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	W.8.10.	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.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Comprehension and Collaboration
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.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.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.b.	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
OBJECTIVE	SL.8.1.d.	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Speaking and Listening Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Contents of Standard English
INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.a.	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.
OBJECTIVE	L.8.1.d.	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.
STRAND / TOPIC / STANDARD	Language Standards	
TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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OBJECTIVE	L.8.4.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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Language Standards

TOPIC / INDICATOR		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
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INDICATOR / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.
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