

Reading Literature		
TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RL.2.1	RL.1.1	RL.3.1
Ask and answer such questions as who,	Ask and answer questions about key details	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate
what, where, when, why, and how to	in a text.	understanding of a text, referring explicitly
demonstrate understanding of key details in		to the text as the basis for the answers.
a text.		

Standard Unpacked

The student can...

- Ask questions
- Answer questions (who, what, where, when, why)
- Understand which details are more important to the story.
- Demonstrate how the key details support or move the story forward

- 1. Who is this story about?
- 2. Where did it take place?
- 3. Which of these details is really important to the story?
- 4. How does knowing where the story takes place, help us understand the story?
- 5. Can you outline the key details in the text?
- 6. Where in the passage did you find that key detail?
- 7. How do you know that is a key detail?
- 8. What might you want to know about...?
- 9. Don't forget to ask yourself/partner
 - * What does this character want?
 - * Who are the main characters?
 - * What is the author trying to tell me?
 - * What is the main message of the story?

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RL.2.2	RL.1.2	RL.3.2
Recount stories, including fables and	Retell stories, including key details, and	Recount stories, including, fables, folktales,



folktales from diverse cultures, and	demonstrating understanding of their	and myths from diverse cultures; determine
determine their central message, lesson or	central message or lesson.	the central message, lesson or moral and
moral.		explain how it is conveyed through key
		details in the text.

Standard Unpacked

The student can...

- Retell: stories, fables, folktales from different cultures
- Answer questions about the text.
- Determine the 'big idea' about the lesson or moral of story
- Synthesize the message and connect to other stories or lessons.

Question Stems

- 1. What is the central message in this story, fable, or folktale?
- 2. Determine and verbalize the problem/conflict and resolution in the story, fable, or folktale.
- 3. What is the moral of the story? Fable? folktale?
- 4. How is this story, fable, folktale different from what you already know?
- 5. Where does this story come from?

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RL.2.3	RL.1.3	RL.3.3
Describe how characters in a story respond	Describe characters, settings, and major	Describe characters in a story (e.g., their
to major events and challenges.	events in a story, using key details.	traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain
		how their actions contribute to the
		sequence of events.

Standard Unpacked

The student can...

- Understand sequence of events in a story
- Identify major and minor events in a story
- Identify major and minor characters in a story
- Describe how characters face different events and challenges in story
- Understand that characters change as a result of what happens during the story.



- 1. Retell the story in sequential order.
- 2. Who are the major and minor characters?
- 3. How do the major/minor characters respond to important challenges in the story?
- 4. What effect do the events in the story have on the characters?
- 5. What decision could the characters have responded to differently?
- 6. How does the character change?

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RL.2.4	RL.1.4	RL.3.4
Describe how words and phrases (e.g.,	Identify words and phrases in stories or	Determine the meaning of words and
regular beats, alliteration, rhymes, repeated	poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the	phrases as they are used in a text,
lines) supply rhythm and meaning in a story,	senses.	distinguishing literal from non-literal
poem, or song.		language.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Distinguish between words and phrases
- Distinguish the "cadence" of spoken language
- Ability to hear same and/or differing sounds in words
- Ability to see and hear the pattern of the spoken language
- Know that alliteration means words start with the same or similar sounds
- Know that often authors repeat the same lines for emphasis or effect

- 1. Can you identify words that rhyme
- 2. What is difference between a word, a phrase, or a sentence?
- 3. Find a sentence that shows an example of alliteration.
- 4. Can you come up with a sentence where all the words start with the letter ____?
- 5. Identify words that rhyme
- 6. Identify and clap the rhythm in a stanza
- 7. Do you see any repetition in this story, poem, or song?
- 8. Why do you think the author repeated that line?
- **9.** How do you know this is a poem and not a story?

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RL.2.5	RL.1.5	RL.3.5
Describe the overall structure of a story,	Explain major differences between books	Refer to parts of stories, dramas, and poems
including describing how the beginning	that tell stories and books that give	when writing or speaking
introduces the story and the ending	information, drawing on a wide reading of a	about a text, using terms such as chapter,
concludes the action.	range of text types.	scene, and stanza; describe how each
		successive part builds on earlier sections.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand story structure
- Understand that the beginning of a story introduces the characters and settings
- Describe the actions that occur at the ending of the story
- Know that actions in the story help lead to a resolution

Question Stems

- 1. Describe the beginning, middle, and end of the story
- 2. What are the character's problems?
- 3. Read to your partner the section where the character's problem begins to be solved?
- 4. How does the character solve the problem?
- 5. Look at this section, why did the author add ?
- 6. Analyze this paragraph, what is the author trying to tell you?
- 7. What information does the author include at the beginning of the story that helps you understand the rest of the story?
- 8. In which part of the story does most of the action occur?

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RL.2.6	RL.1.6	RL.3.6
Acknowledge differences in points of view of	Identify who is telling the story at various	Distinguish their own point of view from
characters, including by speaking in a	points in a text.	that of the narrator or those of the
different voice for each character when		characters.
reading dialogue aloud.		

Standard Unpacked



The student can:

- Understand and identify point of view
- Distinguish one character's point of view from another character's
- Understand character's voice in literature
- Distinguish between characters' voices when reading aloud
- Use different voices for different characters (e.g., high, gruff, low exited,).

Question Stems

- 1. Describe the difference between the two character's points of view?
- 2. Can you change your voice so it sounds like the character might sound?
- 3. What makes the characters say or act differently?
- 4. Why was it important for the author to use dialogue?
- 5. How are the characters different or alike?
- 6. What contrast can you make between the characters?
- 7. Would you think the same way as the character does? Why? Why not?

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RL.2.7	RL.1.7	RL.3.7
Use information gained from the	Use illustrations and details in a story to	Explain how specific aspects of a text's
illustrations and words in a print or digital	describe its characters, settings, or events.	illustrations contribute to what is
text to demonstrate understanding of its		conveyed by the words in a story (e.g.,
characters, setting, or plot.		create mood, emphasize aspects of a
		character or setting).

Standards Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand character, plot, and setting
- Analyze text information & illustrations to understand deeper meaning of the story
- Use opportunities to explore books or stories as digital text.

- 1. What clues do the illustrations in the story provide to help you understand the setting in the story?
- 2. What clues do the illustrations in the story provide to help you understand the characters in the story?
- 3. What clues do the illustrations in the story provide to help you understand the plot of the story?



- 4. Today you will use the computer to read this story.
- 5. When you use the computer station, you will be using this site to read some stories.
- 6. What did you learn about the characters setting, or plot from the words the author used?

TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RL.2.9	RL.1.9	RL.3.9
Compare and contrast two or more versions	Compare and contrast the adventures and	Compare and contrast the themes, settings,
of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories) by	experiences of characters in stories.	and plots of stories written by the same
different authors or from different cultures.		author about the same or similar characters
		(e.g., in books from a series).

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Compare and contrast the same text different authors
- Compare and contrast selected text from different cultures

- 1. Why do you think the authors created their own version of the same story?
- 2. What are some of the differences you notice in the two stories?
- 3. Did the authors change the main ideas in their versions of the story?
- 4. Compare and contrast the differences in the authors' interpretation.
- 5. Which culture (country) is represented in this story?
- 6. What is the relationship between the two stories?
- 7. What would have happened in the story if the cultural setting was different?

TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RL.2.10	RL.1.10	RL.3.10
By the end of the year, read and comprehend	With prompting and support, read prose	By the end of the year, read and
literature, including stories and poetry, in	and poetry of appropriate complexity for	comprehend literature, including stories,
the grades 2-3 text complexity band	grade 1.	dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the
independently and proficiently, with		grades 2-3 text complexity band
scaffolding as needed at the high end of the		independently and proficiently.



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Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Recognize a variety of text (stories, poetry)
- Comprehend literature at grade 2-3 complexity levels
- Read independently and proficiently at grade 2-3 complexity levels
- Read text with multiple layers of meaning
- Read text with implicit and unconventional structures
- Read text with figurative, purposeful, and academic vocabulary

- 1. Please keep track of the stories you are reading at home by having your parents sign the sheet.
- 2. Have you read any poems, adventure stories, or fairy tales lately?
- 3. Can you tell me what you have like so far about the text (prose/poetry)
- 4. Does this story/poem remind you of any other stories/poems we have read?
- 5. Compare this piece to other pieces of text you have read.
- 6. Identify similarities between the two pieces.
- 7. What other stories or poems have you read about ___?
- 8. Predict what you think will happen next in the story?
- 9. What makes you think that will happen?
- 10. How do you know?

Informational Text			
TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard	
RI.2.1	RI.1.1	RI.3.1	
Ask and answer such questions as who,	Ask and answer questions about key details	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate	
what, where, when, why, and how to	in a text.	understanding of a text, referring explicitly	
demonstrate understanding of key details in		to the text as the basis for the answers.	
a text.			
Standard Unpacked			



The student can:

- Demonstrate understanding of character
- Ask questions
- Answer who, what, where, when, why questions
- Understand key details
- Identify main ideas and key details within the text

Question Stems

- 1. Asking yourself questions that will help you understand the story like: Who is this story about? Where did it take place? What is happening now?
- 2. Why do you think the author included that detail?
- 3. Where in the passage did you find that key detail?
- 4. How do you know that is a key detail?
- 5. What details are important in order to tell the story?
- 6. How do the key details make a difference at the end of the story?

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RI.2.2	RI.1.2	RI.3.2
Identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph	Identify the main topic, and retell key details	Determine the main idea of a text; recount
text as well as the focus of specific	in a text.	the key details and explain how they
paragraphs within the text.		support the main idea.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Identify main topic within a multi paragraph text
- Identify the topic sentence of each paragraph in a text
- Determine how each paragraph supports the main topic being addressed by the author
- Identify main ideas, key details in a multi-paragraph text
- Understand how to recount details in a multi-paragraph text



- 1. What is the main idea of this text?
- 2. What is the topic sentence in this paragraph?
- 3. What additional details does the author give us in this paragraph that helps us understand the main topic?
- 4. Construct the main ideas of multiple paragraphs in a text
- 5. Is there a map or graphic organizer you can use to keep track of the main ideas of each paragraph?
- 6. List some of the supporting details in found in this multi-paragraph text.
- 7. What is the focus of this paragraph?

TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.2.3	RI.1.3	RI.3.3
Describe the connection between a series of	Describe the connection between two	Describe the relationship between a series
historical events, scientific ideas or concepts,	individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of	of historical events, scientific ideas or
or steps in technical procedures in a text.	information in a text.	concepts, or steps in technical procedures in
		a text, using language that pertains to time,
		sequence, and cause/effect.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Compare and contrast scientific ideas or concepts
- Demonstrate understanding of the sequence of historical events
- Comprehend and show understanding of the sequence of steps in a technical procedure
- Describe how one event, scientific event, or step in a procedure influences another

- 1. How did inventing _____ change history?
- 2. How did the life of (historical figure) effect people today?
- 3. Which step would you do first? Which would you do last?
- 4. How has this _____ changed over time?
- 5. Show me how scientific ideas or concepts are the same and how they are different?



- 6. Using a timeline sequence the historical events
- 7. Compare the historical events to your present life. Is the past important? What can we learn from the past?
- 8. Why is it important to do step 1 in a technical procedure before step 3?
- 9. What do you think would happen if you did not follow the steps in order?

TN Academic Standard	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.2.4	RI.1.4	RI.3.4
Determine the meanings of words and	Ask and answer questions to help determine	Determine the meaning of general academic
phrases in a text relevant to a grade 2 topic	or clarify the meaning of words and phrases	and domain-specific words and phrases in a
or subject area.	in a text.	text relevant to a grade three topic or
		subject area.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Determine the meaning of root words in a text
- Determine the meaning of new words using prefixes and suffixes
- Identify the meaning of compound words
- Use glossaries and dictionaries to clarify the meaning of words and phrases in all content areas
- Understand that sometimes when a word is used in a phrase the meaning of the word may change

- 1. Explain and/or demonstrate how to look up words in a dictionary using the first two letters of a word
- 2. What will you do if you come to a word you don't know?
- 3. Remember to look at our poster if you need help understanding a word.
- 4. What strategies can you use to help find out what a word means?
- 5. How does the particular meaning of the same word change in different contexts?
- 6. Explain the meaning of the word that includes a prefix or suffix from the text.
- 7. Did you try using the computer's dictionary to find the meaning of the word?

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RI.2.5	RI.1.5	RI.3.5
Know and use various text features (e.g.,	Know and use various text structures (e.g.,	Use text features and search tools (e.g., key
captions, bold print, subheadings, glossaries,	sequence) and text features (e.g., headings,	words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate



indexes, electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text efficiently.	tables of contents, glossaries, electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or	information relevant to a given topic efficiently.
	information in a text.	

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Demonstrate understanding of text features: captions, bold print, subheadings, glossaries, electronic menus, icons and indices
- Show understanding of key facts or information in the text

Question Stems

- 1. Can you find_____ feature in the text?
- 2. Open you book. Find the index, glossary, a heading.
- 3. Put your finger on the word that is bolded.
- 4. Are there any words that are written in bold print? Why do you think the author wrote that word in bold?
- 5. Where would you find a glossary or index in your book?
- 6. Retell key facts from text.
- 7. Under the subheading of ______, find a key fact.8. Why are icons important and how do they help us locate key facts?
- 9. On the computer can you find the icon that means undo, save, Internet Explorer?
- 10. I will show you some icons you tell me what they mean.

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RI.2.6	RI.1.6	RI.3.6
Identify the main purpose of a text, including	Distinguish between information provided	Distinguish their own point of view from
what the author wants to answer, explain, or	by pictures or other illustrations and	that of the author of a text.
describe.	information provided by the words in a text.	

Standard Unpacked

- Demonstrate understanding of author's intent
- Determine the information from the text



Question Stems

- 1. What is the author's intent in this text?
- 2. What does the author explain or describe in this passage?
- 3. Describe the information the author gives you in the text.
- 4. After reading the text, what information did the author describe to you? Summarize the author's intent.
- 5. Determine the author's _____ (description, explanation) from the text.
- 6. In the text we just read is the author trying to explain, describe or answer something. What makes you think that?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.2.7	RI.1.7	RI.3.7
Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram	Use the illustrations and details in a text to	Use information gained from illustrations
showing how a machine works) contribute	describe its key ideas.	(e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a
to and clarify a text.		text to demonstrate understanding of the
		text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key
		events occur).

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Use pictures and diagrams to gather information for clarification of meaning
- Know that illustrations help you understand more about the text and the person, place, thing or idea the text is about
- Connect illustrations with the message

- 1. How does reading the chart, diagram help you understand what the author is trying to say?
- 2. What information did you gather from that _____ diagram that aided your understanding?
- 3. Restate the important facts from the chart or graph using the _____.
- 4. What examples can you find to _____?
- 5. What conclusions can you draw____?
- 6. How can you make use of these facts and graphs?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.2.8	RI.1.8	RI.3.8
Describe how reasons support specific	Identify the reasons an author gives to	Describe the logical connection between



points the author makes in a text.	support points in a text.	particular sentences and paragraphs in a
		text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect,
		first/second/third in a sequence).

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Be able to justify author's main points.
- Know how to link people and their ideas
- Know that an author writes to share what he/she thinks
- Know that authors use details to help make a point
- Understand that authors try to explain their thinking
- Know that an author may have more than one reason to explain his thinking

Question Stems

- 1. What does the writer think about the problem?
- 2. Explain in your own words the reasons that support the author's main purpose.
- 3. Why do you think the author wrote that?
- 4. What details did the author use to support his/her main purpose?
- 5. Did the author justify his/her ideas?
- 6. Why did the author write this piece?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RI.2.9	RI.1.9	RI.3.9
Compare and contrast the most important	Identify basic similarities in and differences	Compare and contrast the most important
points presented by two texts on the same	between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in	points and key details presented in two
topic.	illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	texts on the same topic.

Standard Unpacked

- Analyze texts
- Identify the points the author is making
- Identify the key details presented
- Describe the similarities of both texts
- Describe the differences between both texts.



- State the biggest difference between the two texts?
- State which piece of text do you like best? Why?

Question Stems

- 1. What is the text about?
- 2. What are the key details
- 3. Read both texts. What is the difference between them? (contrast)
- 4. How are the two pieces a like? (compare)
- 5. Can you fill in the Thinking Map showing the similarities and differences between the two texts?
- 6. How were the illustrations used in both books?
- 7. What did the illustration in the books tell you?
- 8. Can you tell your partner what is the same/different about what you are reading?

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RI.2.10	RI.1.10	RI.3.10
By the end of the year, read and comprehend	With prompting and support, read	By the end of the year, read and
informational texts, including history/social	informational texts appropriately complex	comprehend informational texts, including
studies, science, and technical texts, in the	for grade 1.	history/social studies, science, and technical
grades 2-3 text complexity band proficiently,		texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text
with scaffolding as needed at the high end of		complexity band independently and
the range.		proficiently.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Experience reading grade level science textbooks
- Experience reading grade level history/social science textbooks
- Read informational texts independently and proficiently
- Know how to use text feature to help comprehend informational text
- Know how to self-monitor for understanding

- 1. Do you have any questions about what you are reading?
- 2. If you don't understand, who can you ask to help you?
- 3. Did you use the illustrations/graphics to help you understand?
- 4. Point to a textual feature Why do you think the author included it?



5. What graphics help you the most?	
6. How is the informational text different from	_?
7. You might want to read this book about	It has a lot of useful information.

Foundational Skills		
TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
RF.2.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. a. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.	RF.1.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. a. Know the spelling-sound correspondences for common consonant digraphs.	RF.3.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. a. Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.
b. Decode words with common Latin suffixes. c. Decode multi-syllable words. d. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.	b. Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words. c. Know final –e and common vowel team conventions for representing long vowel sounds. d. Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word. e. Decode two-syllable words following basic patterns by breaking the words into syllables. f. Read words with inflectional endings. g. Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.	b. Decode words with common Latin suffixes. c. Decode multi-syllable words. d. Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.

Standard Unpacked

- Understand that meaningful chunks can be added to words to change their meaning
- Understand that prefixes are added to the beginning of the word



- Know the meaning of common prefixes such as re-; un-; dis-; etc.
- Understand that suffixes are added to the ending of a word
- Recognize the derivational suffixes, ly-; -ish; -hood;- ful; ness; ment; etc, and how they change the meaning of a word.
- Recognize common Latin suffixes, such as -ment; -ation, -ly; -able/ible; etc.
- Recognize and use common syllable patterns such as doubles, to help decode multi-syllabic words
- Know and read fluently regularly spelled words

Question Stems

- 1. Are there any chunks you know that can help you figure out what this word means?
- 2. Does the word have suffixes or prefixes you know?
- 3. How many parts do you hear in that word?
- 4. Are there any patterns you can use to help you write that word?

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RF.2.4	RF.1.4	RF.3.4
Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to
support comprehension.	support comprehension.	support comprehension.
a. Read on-level text with purpose and	a. Read on-level text with purpose and	a. Read on-level text with purpose and
understanding.	understanding.	understanding.
b. Read on-level text orally with accuracy,	b. Read on-level text orally with accuracy,	b. Read on-level prose and poetry orally
appropriate rate, and expression on	appropriate rate, and expression on	with accuracy, appropriate rate, and
successive readings.	successive readings.	expression on successive readings.
c. Use context to confirm or self-correct	c. Use context to confirm or self-correct	c. Use context to confirm or self-correct
word recognition and understanding, re-	word recognition and understanding,	word recognition and understanding, re-
reading as necessary.	rereading as necessary.	reading as necessary.

Standard Unpacked

- Set a purpose for reading
- Use expression when reading
- Use strategies for self-correction
- Skim text to check for understanding
- Scan text to confirm understanding
- Re-read for fluency and comprehension



• Self-monitor for understanding

Question Stems

- 1. Why did you choose this selection?
- 2. What can you do when the story/text doesn't make sense?
- 3. What strategies can you use when you don't understand the text?
- 4. Can you read this paragraph fluently and with expression?
- 5. Why is it important to scan the page?
- 6. Did you skim the page looking for information?
- 7. When you self-monitor, you _____.
- 8. What does it mean to read fluently?
- 9. Did you re-read the part you didn't understand?

Writing		
TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.1	W.1.1	W.3.1
Write opinion pieces in which they	Write opinion pieces in which they	Write opinion pieces on topics or texts,
introduce the topic or	introduce the topic or name the book they	supporting a point of view with reasons.
book they are writing about, state an	are writing about, state an opinion, supply a	a. Introduce the topic or text they are
opinion, supply reasons that support the	reason for the opinion, and provide some	writing about, state an opinion, and create
opinion, use linking words (e.g., because,	sense of closure.	an organizational structure that lists
and, also), to connect opinion and		reasons.
reasons, and provide a concluding		b. Provide reasons that support the opinion.
statement or section.		c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g.,
		because, therefore, since, for example) to
		connect opinion and reasons.
		d. Provide concluding statement or section.

Standard Unpacked

- Understand the concept of having an opinion
- Orally express an opinion such as like or dislike of a chosen book or story. Support that opinion with a reason.



- Ability to write a brief opinion piece about a book or story. Provide a reason for that opinion.
- Know common organizational structures such as cause/effect, chronological/sequential order; problem/solution
- Know what linking words are and how to use them when moving from one reason to another
- Know that conclusions should restate or sum up the writing.

- 1. Who is your audience?
- 2. What is your purpose for writing?
- 3. From what point of view will you be writing?
- 4. Did I completely explain my opinion of topic or argument in my paper?
- 5. Does the reader know my opinion?
- 6. How did I support my opinion with details?
- 7. Did I include transitional or linking words?
- 8. Did my opinion end with a strong conclusion?
- 9. Does your conclusion sum up or restate your opinion or purpose?
- 10. What linking words could you use to help your reader follow your thinking?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.2	W.1.2	W.3.2
Write informative/ explanatory texts in	Write informative/explanatory texts in	Write informative / explanatory texts to
which they introduce a topic, use facts	which they name a topic, supply some facts	examine a topic and convey ideas and
and definitions to develop points, and	about the topic, and provide some sense of	information clearly.
provide a concluding statement or	closure.	a. Introduce a topic and group related
section		information together; include illustrations
		when useful to aiding comprehension.
		b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions,
		and details.
		c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., also,
		another, and, more, but) to connect ideas
		within categories of information.
		d. Provide a concluding statement or
		section.
Standard Unpacked		



The student can:

- Know the difference between writing text to inform or explain
- Know how to write a topic sentence
- Know how to group related information together
- Understand the importance of including illustrations
- Use fact, definitions, and details to develop topic
- Use linking words and phrases to connect ideas
- Know how to conclude by using a statement or explanation

- 1. Are you writing to inform or explain?
- 2. What is your topic?
- 3. Did you begin you writing with a topic sentence?
- 4. What example, definitions, and details will you use to explain your topic?
- 5. Talk to a partner about your topic. Can you get a quote from your partner for you writing?
- 6. Why did you choose this topic?
- 7. What details will you use to explain your topic?
- 8. What examples would help you explain your topic?
- 9. Can you use a quote? Why would this be important?
- 10. Where can you find more information about your topic?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.3	W.1.3	W.3.3
Write narratives in which they recount a	Write narratives in which they recount two	Write narratives to develop real or imagined
well-elaborated event or short sequence	or more appropriately sequenced events,	experiences or events using effective
of events, include details to describe	include some details regarding what	technique, descriptive details, and clear
actions, thoughts, and feelings, use	happened, use temporal words to signal	event sequences.
temporal words to signal event order,	event order, and provide some sense of	a. Establish a situation and introduce a
and provide a sense of closure.	closure.	narrator and/ or characters; organize an
		event sequence that unfolds naturally.
		b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions,
		thoughts, and feelings to develop



experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.
c. Use temporal words and phrases to signal
event order.
d. Provide a sense of closure.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Know that a narrative tells a story
- Understand who is telling the story
- Know how to move from one event to another
- Use the character's words to help explain what is happening in the story
- Understand how using time words moves the story forward
- Recognize temporal words
- Understand story elements
- Understand dialoguing

- 1. Who is your story about?
- 2. Where does your story take place? (Setting)
- 3. Why was this setting important to your story?
- 4. Did you use words like earlier, later, soon, to show how time is changing in the story?
- 5. What problem will the main character face?
- 6. Does the problem change the character's acts or thoughts?
- 7. Have you used details that will help your readers see and know the characters?
- 8. What events will lead up to your conclusion?
- 9. Where can you add more descriptive words and information to make your story more exciting?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.4	W.1.4	W.3.4
(Begins in grade 3)	(Begins in grade 3)	With guidance and support from adults,
		produce writing in which the development
		and organization are appropriate to task and



		purpose. (Grade specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3.)
Standard Unpacked		
The student can:		
Question Stems		
TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.5	W.1.5	W.3.5
With guidance and support from adults	With guidance and support from adults,	With guidance and support from peers and
and peers, focus on topic and strengthen	focus on a topic, respond to questions and	adults, develop and strengthen writing as
writing as needed by revising and	suggestions from peers, and add details to	needed by planning, revising, and editing.
editing.	strengthen writing as needed.	

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Organize thoughts and ideas
- Use brainstorming, webs, clusters to help generate ideas before writing
- Seek guidance from peers to help add language and ideas to writing
- Understand and use grammar and spelling conventions
- Edit for word usage and word choice to help strengthen details
- Revise sentences and/or paragraphs for clarity

- 1. What will you use to help you organize your ideas?
- 2. Can you create a graphic organizer/thinking map to help you sequence your ideas and events?
- 3. Can you share with your partner what you plan to write?
- 4. Does your partner have ideas that you can use?
- 5. Have you completed your first draft?
- 6. Can you re-write this so that the ideas/details are clearer?
- 7. Is there a better way you could write your beginning?
- 8. What is your topic sentence
- 9. Have you asked your partner to give you feedback about what you have written so far?
- 10. Have you used your editing/proofreading checklist to help you make any changes?



TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.6	W.1.6	W.3.6
With guidance and support from adults,	With guidance and support from adults, use	With guidance and support from adults, use
use a variety of digital tools to produce	a variety of digital tools to produce and	technology to produce and publish writing
and publish writing, including in	publish writing, including in collaboration	(using keyboarding skills) as well as to
collaboration with peers.	with peers.	interact and collaborate with others.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Have basic keyboarding skills
- Know how to use the following toolbar functions:
 - ✓ bold
 - ✓ underline
 - ✓ font style
 - ✓ font size
 - ✓ set margins
 - ✓ page orientation
- Have a system for saving and storing work until it is ready for publishing
- Know and use Internet tools such as search engines (Google, Bing), online dictionaries and thesaurus, spell and grammar check
- Use programs such as Word, PowerPoint, and Publisher
- Know and use print commands
- Know how to work together

- 1. Have you and your group decided what you will write about?
- 2. How will you divide the work so that you all contribute to the project?
- 3. Where will you save your work until you are ready to print?
- 4. What program will you use to publish your work? Word? PowerPoint? etc.
- 5. What online resources can you use to help write your paper?

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W.2.7	W.1.7	W.3.7
Participate in shared research and	Participate in shared research and writing	Conduct short research projects that build
writing projects (e.g., read a number of	projects (e.g., explore a number of "how-to"	knowledge about a topic.
books on a single topic to produce a	books on a given topic and use them to write	
report; record science observations).	a sequence of instructions).	

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Know how to select a topic that can be researched
- Understand how to use reference materials such as encyclopedias, atlas, search engines or databases
- Understand how to use keywords for searching a topic
- Understand how to summarize information
- Know how to use graphic organizers or Thinking Maps logically to move through the research project
- Understand organizational structures that are used when writing a research report
- Know how to cite sources

- 1. What is the topic of your report?
- 2. Can you narrow your topic?
- 3. What sources will you use to find information?
- 4. What key words can you use to find your topic online?
- 5. Where can you go to find more information?
- 6. How will you give your sources credit?
- 7. What is the page called where you will list your sources?
- 8. How will your group divide the work?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.8	W.1.8	W.3.8
Recall information from experiences or	With guidance and support from adults,	Recall information from experiences or
gather information from provided	recall information from experiences or	gather information from print and digital
sources to answer a question.	gather information from provided sources	sources; take brief notes on sources and sort
	to answer a question.	evidence into provided categories.
Standard Unpacked		



The student can:

- Know how to use search engines such as Goggle, Bing, etc.
- Know how to use the library to locate print resources such as encyclopedias, magazine, and books
- Understand how to summarize information
- Know how to organize information
- Understand how to sort information by categories
- Understand how to use note-taking strategies, such as use of index cards, notebooks, graphic organizers, or Thinking Maps

Question Stems

- 1. What sources did you use to find your information?
- 2. What sources did you find on an internet search?
- 3. What sources did you find in a library search?
- 4. How can you paraphrase this sentence?
- 5. Can you write this sentence using your own words?
- 6. Is this information important to your research?
- 7. Can you use an organizer to help you group your ideas?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.9	W.1.9	W.3.9
(Begins in grade 4)		

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

Question Stems

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
W.2.10	W.1.10	W.3.10
(Begins in grade 3)		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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Standard Unpacked



The student can:
Question Stems

Speaking and Listening		
TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.1	SL.1.1	SL.3.1
Participate in collaborative	Participate in collaborative conversations	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative
conversations with diverse partners	with diverse partners about <i>grade 1topics</i>	discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and
about grade 2 topics and text with peers	and texts with peers and adults in small and	teacher led) with diverse partners on grade
and adults in small and larger groups.	larger groups.	3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas
a. Follow agreed-upon rules for	a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions	and expressing their own clearly.
discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in	(e.g., listening to others with care, speaking	a. Come to discussions prepared having read
respectful ways, listening to others with	one at a time about the topics and text under	or studied required material; explicitly draw
care, speaking one at a time about the	discussion).	on that preparation and other information
topics and texts under discussion).	b. Build on others' talk in conversations by	known about the topic to explore ideas
b. Build on others' talk in conversations	responding to the comments of others	under discussion.
by linking their comments to the	through multiple exchanges.	b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions
remarks of others.	c. Ask questions to clear up confusion about	(e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways,
c. Ask for clarification and further	the topics and texts under discussion.	listening to others with care, speaking one at
explanation as needed about the topics		a time about the topics and texts under
and texts under discussion.		discussion).
		c. Ask questions to check understanding of
		information presented, stay on topic, and
		link their comments to the remarks of
		others.
		d. Explain their own ideas and
		understanding in light of the discussion.
Standard Unpacked		



The student can:

- Listen actively listening as the teacher models & instructs; stay focused and on topic
- Participate in small and large group discussion
- Follow teacher directed rules for discussion
- Appropriately respond to group discussion
- Ask clarifying questions to elaborate on 2nd grade topics and/or text
- Know how to contribute to a conversation or discussion
- Be aware of topics/texts that are being discussed
- Know how to respond to the ideas of others in the group
- Use acceptable structures for building on the ideas of other side as of others
- Know how to express ideas that are similar or different from those already expressed

Question Stems

- 1. Do you agree with your partner regarding the text? Why or why not? Please explain.
- 2. Can you elaborate on your partners' comment? Please express your opinion.
- 3. Is there anything you can add to your partner's comment?
- 4. When given a prompt, students will use established rules for group discussion.
- 5. When you work in your groups remember to follow the rules for listening and speaking
- 6. I didn't understand can you repeat that?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.2	SL.1.2	SL.3.2
Recount or describe key ideas or details	Ask and answer questions about key details	Determine the main ideas and supporting
from a text read aloud or information	in a text read aloud or information	details of a text read aloud or information
presented orally or through other media.	presented orally or through other media.	presented in diverse media and formats,
		including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

Standard Unpacked

- Recognize the main ideas presented in text
- Recognize supporting details
- Understand visual, oral, and digital informational formats



• Recognize what information is being conveyed through diverse media, such as graphs, videos, and digital resources

Question Stems

- 1. What was the main idea of the video can you discuss with your partner?
- 2. How did you decide this was the main idea?
- 3. Using your own words, summarize the video with your partner?
- 4. Can you explain this graph?
- 5. This chart explains _____?
- 6. Why is information put into charts or graphs?
- 7. Can you think of any other information that could be graphed or charted?
- 8. Can you describe the steps you followed?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.3	SL.1.3	SL.3.3
Ask and answer questions about what a	Ask and answer questions about what a	Ask and answer questions about
speaker says in order to clarify	speaker says in order to gather additional	information from a speaker, offering
comprehension, gather additional	information or clarify something that is not	appropriate elaboration and detail.
information, or deepen understanding of	understood.	
a topic or issue.		

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand what is being said
- Ask important questions
- Answer important questions
- Ask for more information
- Know the point at which they become confused.
- Realize that additional information is needed for understanding

- 1. What did the speaker say?
- 2. What was the most important part that you heard?
- 3. What would you say if you didn't understand the speaker?
- 4. What would be one question that you could ask so you could find out more information?



- 5. What was the most important detail?
- 6. I didn't understand, can you share some examples? Can you clarify ____?
- 7. Can you say that in a different way?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.4	SL.1.4	SL.3.4
Tell a story or recount an experience	Describe people, places, things, and events	Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or
with appropriate facts and relevant,	with relevant details, expressing ideas and	recount an experience with appropriate
descriptive details, speaking audibly in	feelings clearly.	facts and relevant, descriptive details,
coherent sentences.		speaking clearly at an understandable pace.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand strategies for organizing a presentation such as brainstorming, the use of graphic organizer, or Thinking Maps
- Understands organizational structure for presentation such a chronologically, problem/solution, cause and effect, before and after
- Know that stories are organized with a beginning, a middle, and an end
- Understand that texts or presentation usually have theme
- Know that reports have an introduction, body with supporting details, and a conclusion
- Understand that good presentation skills include speaking clearly, with good pacing, and making eye contact

- 1. What is the theme of your report or presentation?
- 2. Did you write or present facts that were relevant?
- 3. What descriptive words or language did you use?
- 4. When you related the events, did they have a beginning, a middle, and an end?
- 5. Does the order of your presentation make sense?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.5	SL.1.5	SL.3.5
Create audio recordings of stories or	Add drawings or other visual displays to	Create engaging audio recordings of stories
poems; add drawings or other visual	descriptions when appropriate to clarify	or poems that demonstrate fluid reading at
displays to stories or recounts of	ideas, thoughts, and feelings.	an understandable pace; add visual displays
experiences when appropriate to clarify		when appropriate to emphasize or enhance



ideas, thoughts, and feelings.	certain facts or details.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand how to use audio equipment
- Understand voice pitch and inflection
- Create visual displays such as legends, charts, graphs, and display boards
- Select stories or poems for recording

Question Stems

- 1. What is the theme of your presentation?
- 2. What visuals will you use to enhance your presentation?
- 3. Have you practiced your reading emphasizing important words or points?
- 4. How is your pacing?
- 5. At what time in your presentation will you show your visuals?
- 6. Do your visuals support your presentation theme?
- 7. Have you chosen a book/poem to record? How did you decide?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
SL.2.6	SL.1.6	SL.3.6
Produce complete sentences when	Produce complete sentences when	Speak in complete sentences when
appropriate to task and situation in	appropriate to task and situation. (See grade	appropriate to task and situation in order to
order to provide requested detail or	1 Language standard 1 for specific	provide requested detail or clarification.
clarification. (See grade 2 Language	expectations)	(See grade 3 Language standards 1 and 3 for
standards 1 and 3 for specific		specific expectations)
expectations)		

Standard Unpacked

- Understand different levels of speech styles
- Recognize when formal or informal English is appropriate
- Understand that talking with friends is informal speech
- Use academic, content specific vocabulary when presenting formally



- Use complete sentences in formal presentations
- Know that when constructing a formal response, Standard English grammar and language convention much be used

- 1. Did you use a complete sentence?
- 2. Who is your audience?
- 3. Would you use formal or informal English with this audience?
- 4. Why would you use formal English?
- 5. When would you not use informal English?
- 6. What type of language do you use when talking with friends?
- 7. What type of language do you use when giving a presentation?
- 8. What is the specific vocabulary that relates to your topic?
- 9. When will you use this specific vocabulary?

Language Standards		
TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
L.2.1	L.1.1	L.3.1
Demonstrate command of the	Demonstrate command of the conventions	Demonstrate command of the conventions
conventions of Standard English	of Standard English grammar and usage	of Standard English grammar and usage
grammar and usage when writing or	when writing or speaking.	when writing or speaking.
speaking.	a. Print all upper- and lowercase letters.	a. Explain the function of nouns, pronouns,
a. Use collective nouns (e.g., group).	b. Use common, proper, and possessive	verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and
b. Form and use frequently occurring	nouns.	their functions in particular sentences.
irregular plural nouns (e.g., feet children,	c. Use singular and plural nouns with	b. Form and use regular and irregular plural
teeth, mice, fish).	matching verbs in basic sentences (e.g., He	nouns.
c. Use reflexive pronouns (e.g., myself,	hops; We hop).	c. Use abstract nouns (e.g., childhood)
ourselves).	d. Use personal, possessive, and indefinite	d. Form and use regular and irregular verbs.
d. Form and use the past tense of	pronouns (e.g., <i>I, me, my; they, them, their;</i>	e. Form and use the simple (e.g., I walked; I
frequently occurring irregular verbs	anyone, everything).	walk; I will walk) verb tenses.
(e.g., sat, hid, told).	e. Use verbs to convey a sense of past,	f. Ensure subject-verb and pronoun



e. Use adjectives and adverbs, and choose
between them depending on what is to be
modified.

f. Produce, expand, and rearrange complete simple and compound sentences (e.g., The boy watched the movie; The little boy watched the movie; The action movie was watched by the little boy).

present, and future (e.g., Yesterday I walked home; Today I walk home; Tomorrow I will walk home.)

f. Use frequently occurring adjectives.

g. Use frequently occurring conjunctions (e.g., *and*, *but*, *or*, *so*, *because*).

h. Use determiners (e.g., articles, demonstratives).

i. Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., *during*, *beyond*, *toward*).

j. Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.

antecedent agreement.*

g. Form and use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.

h. Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

i. Produce simple, compound, and complex sentences.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Know how to print legibly
- Understand that there are special words used to define a collection of objects people or things (group, herd, school)
- Know how regular plurals are formed
- Distinguish between a regular and irregular plural
- Know that the subjects and predicates in a sentence can be moved and still make sense

- 1. Listen as I read what you wrote. Did that sound right?
- 2. Read what you wrote slowly? Did you write what you just said?
- 3. Is there another word that would be specific
- 4. How might you write the plural of that word?
- 5. Can you add adjectives to your sentence?
- 6. Can you tell where the action happened?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
L.2.2	L.1.2	L.3.2



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

- a. Capitalize holidays, product names, and geographic names.
- b. Use commas in greetings and closings of letters.
- c. Use an apostrophe to form contractions and frequently occurring possessives.
- d. Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g., cage \rightarrow badge; boy \rightarrow boil).
- e. Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.

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

- **a.** Capitalize dates and names of people.
- **b.** Use end punctuation for sentences.
- **c.** Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series.
- **d.** Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.
- **e.** Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.

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

- **a.** Capitalize appropriate words in titles.
- **b.** Use commas in addresses.
- **c.** Use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.
- **d.** Form and use possessives.
- **e.** Use conventional spelling for high frequency and other studied words and for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).
- **f.** Use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words.
- **g.** Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Know the common holidays
- Understand that product names are words like Nike, Pepsi, Hersey, etc.
- Know that names of countries, cities, states, lakes and mountains need a capital
- Understand greetings are and form for ending a letter
- Understand that an apostrophe replaces missing letters
- Use spelling patterns, word roots, affixes, syllable construction
- Use dictionaries or digital media to look for the correct spelling of a word

- 1. What words in this sentence should be capitalized?
- 2. Remember to capitalize the name of a specific place.



- 3. What punctuation do you need to show something belongs to someone?
- 4. When you combine two words to make a contraction, why do you need to add an apostrophe?
- 5. What can you use to help you check your spelling?

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
L.2.3	L.1.3	L.3.3
Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	(Begins in grade 2)	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
a. Compare formal and informal uses of English.		b. Choose words and phrases for effect.c. Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written standard English.

Standard Unpacked

The student can:

- Understand basic punctuation rules
- Understand basic capitalization rules
- Understand basic grammar rules
- Recognize that words have differences or shades of meaning
- Know that punctuation like commas, exclamation, and question marks can be used for effect
- Distinguish between situations that call for formal English and those where informal English is appropriate

- 1. Have you determined the purpose for your speech/writing/presentation?
- 2. Who will be your audience?
- 3. Is the tone or style appropriate to your audience?
- 4. Have you followed the rules of punctuation and grammar?
- 5. Did you practice your presentation with your group and did they provide you with feedback?
- 6. In your group, did you talk about using precise language to convey your ideas?
- 7. Did you use a thesaurus to locate other ways to say _____?
- 8. Did you use quotes, questions, or exclamations to add to importance to your writing/presentation?



English Language Arts

2nd Grade

TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
L.2.4	L.1.4	L.3.4
Determine or clarify the meaning of	Determine or clarify the meaning of	Determine or clarify the meaning of
unknown and multiple-meaning words	unknown and multiple-meaning words and	unknown and multiple-meaning words and
and phrases based on grade 2 reading	phrases based on <i>grade 1 reading and</i>	phrases based on grade 3 reading and
and content, choosing flexibly from an	content, choosing flexibly from an array of	content, choosing flexibly from a range of
array of strategies.	strategies.	strategies.
a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to	a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the	a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the
the meaning of a word or phrase.	meaning of a word or phrase.	meaning of a word or phrase.
b. Determine the meaning of the new	b. Use frequently occurring affixes as a clue	b. Determine the meaning of the new word
word formed when a known prefix is	to the meaning of a word.	formed when a known affix is
added to a known word (e.g.,	c. Identify frequently occurring root words	added to a known word (e.g., agreeable
happy/unhappy, tell/retell).	(e.g., <i>look</i>) and their inflectional forms (e.g.,	/disagreeable, comfortable
c. Use a known root word as a clue to the	looks, looked, looking).	/uncomfortable, care/careless,
meaning of an unknown word with the		heat/preheat).
same root (e.g., addition, additional).		c. Use a known root word as a clue to the
d. Use knowledge of the meaning of		meaning of an unknown word with the same
individual words to predict the meaning		root (e.g., company, companion).
of compound words (e.g., birdhouse,		d. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries,
lighthouse, housefly; bookshelf, notebook,		both print and digital, to determine or
bookmark).		clarify the precise meaning of key words and
e. Use glossaries and beginning		phrases.
dictionaries, both print and digital, to		
determine or clarify the meaning of		
words and phrases.		

Standard Unpacked

- Understand that context clues help provide clues to word or phrase meaning
- Identify the most common prefixes and roots
- Know how to use a textbook glossary



- Use a print or digital dictionary to locate definitions of key words or phrases
- Understand that sometimes two words can be combined to make a new word

- 1. What strategies have you used to help you figure out what this word means?
- 2. Have you tried looking in the dictionary or glossary to help you figure out the meaning of the word?
- 3. Have you read the sentences around the word to help you determine what the word means?
- 4. Can you go online and search for the meaning of the word?
- 5. There are two words you know on this word. Can you use them to help you understand what the word means?

L.2.5 Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings. a. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy). b. Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs (e.g., thin, slender, skinny, scrawny). L.3.5 With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings. a. Sort words into categories (e.g., colors, clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent. Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes). b. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy). c. Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g., large, gigantic) by defining or choosing them or by acting out the meanings.	TN ACADEMIC STANDARD	Prior Grade Standard	Future Grade Standard
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The student can:

- Understand literal and non-literal meanings
- Understand that words have shades or degrees of meaning
- Understand the connections between words and their use
- Understand shades of meaning as it relates to state of mind or degrees of certainty

Question Stems

- 1. Where do you think the word _ (quickly) ____ comes from?
- 2. What is the author telling us when he used the word _spicy?
- 3. In what other context could this word be used?
- 4. Without changing the meaning, what word could you add to make the sentence stronger?
- 5. What word would best describe this character?
- 6. What is the literal meaning of this sentence?
- 7. What real-life connection can you make?
- 8. Which word is the best to use so that we can really show what this is like?
- 9. Let's make a list from ____ to ___ so that we can decide which word is best to use (Gradient Scale e.g., hot to cold; slow to fast; walk to run)

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L.2.6	L.1.6	L.3.6
Use words and phrases acquired through	Use words and phrases acquired through	Acquire and use accurately grade
conversations, reading and being read to,	conversations, reading and being read to,	appropriate conversational, general
and responding to texts, including using	and responding to texts, including using	academic, and domain specific words and
adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g.,	frequently occurring conjunctions to signal	phrases, including those that signal spatial
When other kids are happy that makes	simple relationships (e.g., because).	and temporal relationships (e.g., After
me happy).		dinner that night we went looking for them).

Standard Unpacked

- Practice utilizing and hearing words used in different contexts (Teacher should provide multiple opportunities)
- Acquire and use words that are basic to understanding a concept
- Determine which word best describes an action, emotion, or state of being
- Develop an amount of grade level academic words and phrases



•	After hearing or reading a word, the student begins to use it in the spoken and written language
Ques	tion Stems
1.	Today our target word is Look for a chance to use this word today.
2.	As part of your homework, I want you to look for the words that we have been studying.
3.	Can you think of a better word to use here?
4.	What would be a more precise word?
5.	Without changing the meaning of the sentence, which word can best be used to replace the underlined part?
6.	What word would best describe?
7.	Can you restate this sentence using more precise words?
8.	Can you replace a word in this sentence with another word that is more precise or specific?