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Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts and Literacy Correlation to *Wit & Wisdom* **GRADE K**

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ABOUT WIT & WISDOM

Wit & Wisdom[®] is a Kindergarten through Grade 8 English language arts (ELA) curriculum created by Great Minds[®], an organization that brings together teachers and experts who believe all students deserve access to rich, rigorous content. With *Wit & Wisdom*, every text a student explores is authentic and of the highest quality. Students use these texts at every turn—to learn, and eventually master, essential reading, writing, speaking, listening, grammar, and vocabulary skills. Instead of basals, students read books they love to build knowledge of important topics and to develop and refine literacy skills. All students read and discuss grade-level texts, and the curriculum includes suggestions for supporting this learning at key moments in the lessons.

Wit & Wisdom is composed of four modules per grade level. Each artfully explores a specific topic to develop depth of understanding and inspire curiosity. The core of each module is a selection of literary works, informational texts, and visual art. Modules are made up of approximately 30 lessons that are covered in six to eight weeks. All modules integrate reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language instruction.

Wit & Wisdom integrates ELA strands so that students read to learn; the curriculum does not systematically teach the youngest students to learn to read. For structured foundational skills instruction, *Wit & Wisdom* teacher–writers recommend that early elementary educators use *Wit & Wisdom* alongside a proven, research-based foundational skills program.

HIGH RATINGS

The independent, nonprofit reviewer EdReports.org gives *Wit & Wisdom* top ratings for text quality, building knowledge, and usability. *Wit & Wisdom* is the only ELA resource to receive a Tier 1 designation for all grades, Kindergarten through Grade 8, from the Louisiana Department of Education.

PROVEN RESULTS

Schools and districts nationwide are experiencing increased student engagement and growth with *Wit & Wisdom*. See their stories and data at greatminds.org/english.

ONGOING SUPPORT

To support and sustain successful implementation, *Wit & Wisdom*'s team offers customizable professional development—online or on-site. *Wit & Wisdom* also includes support resources available only from Great Minds:

Introducing Wit & Wisdom •

- Core text list
- Implementation Guide
- Module o (GK-2, G3-5, G6-8)

Extending Wit & Wisdom

- Parent Tip Sheets
- Volume of Reading text list
- Wit & Wisdom assessment resources (Standards Trackers and Question Sets)
- The Art of *Wit & Wisdom* (lessons and vocabulary relating to the curriculum's rich artwork)

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GRADE K ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

The majority of the Grade K Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts and Literacy are fully covered by Grade K of the *Wit & Wisdom* curriculum. The areas where the Grade K Massachusetts standards and Grade K of the *Wit & Wisdom* curriculum do not align will require supplemental materials. A detailed analysis of alignment is provided in the table below. With strategic placement of supplemental materials, students can be successful in achieving the proficiencies of the Massachusetts standards while benefiting from the rich texts and knowledge building of *Wit & Wisdom*.

<u>KEY</u>

- *Wit & Wisdom* fully addresses the Massachusetts standard.
- *Wit & Wisdom* may not completely address the Massachusetts standard.
- Wit & Wisdom does not address the Massachusetts standard.
- Wit & Wisdom addresses the Massachusetts standard at a different grade level.

G = grade level	Examples:
M = module	GK M1 L6 = Grade K Module 1 Lesson 6
L = lesson	GK M1 L6DD = Grade K Module 1 Lesson 6 Deep Dive
DD = Deep Dive	

Strand	Sub-Strand	Standard	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
Reading Standards for Literature	Key Ideas and Details	RL.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer	GK M1 L2–3, L3DD, L4, L11, L11DD, L12–13, L13DD, L14–22, L29
Literature		questions about key details in a text.	GK M2 L1, L13–29, L31–32
			GK M3 L2, L12, L15–17
			GK M4 L5, L16–21, L23, L25, L36
		RL.K.2	GK M1 L4, L12, L15, L18, L21
		With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.	GK M2 L22, L24–27, L29–30
			GK M3 L3, L6, L12–14, L16–17, L20, L24, L27
			GK M4 L2–3, L17, L20
		RL.K.3	GK M1 L11, L17, L20
		With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a	GK M2 L9, L11–24, L24DD, L25–29, L29DD, L30–31
		story.	GK M3 L12–17
			GK M4 L3, L18–19
	Craft and	RL.K.4	GK M1 L3, L3DD, L4, L12DD, L17, L20DD
	Structure	Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text. (See kindergarten Language	GK M2 L15
		Standards 4–6 on applying knowledge of vocabulary to reading.)	GK M3 L2, L7–10, L12–13, L27–28
			GK M4 L3, L16, L18–20, L23
		RL.K.5	GK M2 L24DD, L29
		Recognize common types of texts and characteristics of their structure (e.g., story elements in books; rhyme, rhythm, and repetition in poems).	GK M4 L32

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		RL.K.6	GK M1 L13–14, L16–21
		With prompting and support, explain that reading the cover or title page is how to find out who created a book; name the author and illustrator of a book and define the role of each in telling the story.	GK M2 L1
	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	RL.K. 7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and	GK M1 L11, L11DD, L12–14, L15DD, L17, L17DD, L18, L18DD, L19–21 GK M2 L1, L1DD, L14–15, L21–22, L27
		the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts).	GK M3 L13, L15–16, L20, L27 GK M4 L3, L5, L17–19, L25
		RL.K.9	GK M2 L13, L16–17, L23–24, L27
		With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	
	Range of	RL.K.10	GK M1-4
	Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.
Reading Standards for	Key Ideas and Details	RI.K.1	GK M1 L1, L1DD, L2–3, L3DD, L4–7, L7DD, L8–11, L17, L23, L23DD, L24, L26–28, L30–31
Informational Text		With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	GK M2 L2, L4–12
			GK M3 L1–11, L18–30
			GK M4 L1–15, L22–36

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		RI.K.2	GK M1 L2, L4–5, L7, L9–10, L24, L27
		With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.	GK M2 L3, L5, L8–11
			GK M3 L3–10, L19–28, L30
			GK M4 L1–4, L6–8, L10, L23–24, L28–29
		RI.K.3	GK M1 L8–9, L23, L23DD, L24, L24DD
		With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events,	GK M2 L3
		ideas, or pieces of information in a text.	GK M3 L10–11, L20–21, L23, L25–30
			GK M4 L1, L24
1	Craft and Structure	RI.K.4 With prompting and support, ask and answer	GK M1 L1, L1DD, L2–3, L3DD, L4, L6, L6DD, L9, L23, L25
		questions about unknown words in a text.	GK M2 L5, L8–9
			GK M3 L4–5, L10, L18, L20–21, L23, L25
			GK M4 L2, L4–7, L11–13, L24–26, L30
		RI.K.5	GK M1 L1–2, L5–6, L10, L23–24
		Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.	GK M2 L2
			GK M3 L20–21
		RI.K.6	GK M1 L3, L5, L8, L23, L25
		Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each in presenting the ideas or information in the text.	GK M3 L2, L20–21

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	Integration of Knowledge and	RI.K. 7 With prompting and support, describe the		GK M1 L3–4, L8–10, L23, L23DD, L24, L24DD, L25, L25DD, L26–27
	Ideas	relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person,		GK M2 L2–4, L8–11
		place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).		GK M3 L3–5, L9–11, L18, L20–27, L30
				GK M4 L1, L3–6, L8, L11–12, L24–26, L29–30, L32
		RI.K.8		GK M1 L7, L24
		With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a		GK M3 L3–10, L19–21, L23, L25–28, L30
		text.		GK M4 L1–3, L6–7, L13
		RI.K.9		GK M1 L6, L8, L23–25
		With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two		GK M2 L2
		texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, procedures).		GK M3 L3–5, L10–11, L18, L20–21, L23, L25–27, L30
				GK M4 L3, L8, L14, L27, L31–32
	Range of	RI.K.10		GK M1-4
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Reading	Print Concepts	RF.K.1		
Standards for Foundational		Demonstrate understanding of the organization	ı aı	nd basic features of print.
Skills		RF.K.1a		Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.		

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		RF.K.1b Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.
		RF.K.1c Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.
		RF.K.1d Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.
	Phonological Awareness	RF.K.2 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, s	syll	ables, and sounds (phonemes).
		RF.K.2a Recognize and produce rhyming words.		Supplemental material is necessary to address producing rhyming words. The following lesson addresses recognizing rhyming words.
				GK M1 L26
		RF.K.2b Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words.		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.
		RF.K.2c Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.
		RF.K.2d		Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words. (This does not include CVCs ending with $/l/$, $/r/$, or $/x/$.)		

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	Phonics	RF.K.3			
	and Word Recognition	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.			
	Keeogintion	RF.K.3a		Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.	
		Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary sound or many of the most frequent sounds for each consonant.			
		RF.K.3b Associate the long and short sounds with		Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly.	
		common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.		GK M1 L18–19, L22–24, L25DD	
				GK M2 L4	
		RF.K.3c		<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address foundational skills.	
		Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g., <i>the</i> , <i>of</i> , <i>to</i> , <i>you</i> , <i>she</i> , <i>my</i> , <i>is</i> , <i>are</i> , <i>do</i> , <i>does</i>).			
		RF.K.3d		Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.	
		Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.			
	Fluency	RF.K.4		Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.	
		Read early-emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.			
Writing	Text Types and	W.K.1		GK M2 L28DD, L31	
Standards	Purposes	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces that tell		GK M3 L4–10, L18–30	
		a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., My favorite book is).		GK M4 L1–8, L10–15, L20–21, L25–31, L33–35	

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		W.K.2 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and		GK M1 L1, L9–10, L15–16, L18–19, L21–22, L22DD, L25DD, L26–28, L30–31
		writing to compose informative/explanatory texts that name and supply some information		GK M2 L4–6, L10–12, L16–17, L28DD, L31
		about a topic.		GK M3 L5–6, L8–11, L13–21, L23–29, L30DD
				GK M4 L4, L6, L8, L19
		W.K.3		
				ng to narrate a single event or experience, or several narrative appropriately and provide a reaction to what it
		W.K.3a		Supplemental material is necessary to address writing
		For poems, use rhyming words to create structure.		poems. The following lessons address writing narratives as described in W.K.3.
				GK M1 L1, L9–10, L15–16, L18–19, L21–22, L22DD, L25DD, L26–28, L30–31
				GK M2 L4–6, L10–12, L16–17, L28DD, L31
				GK M3 L5–6, L8–11, L13–21, L23–29, L30DD
				GK M4 L4, L6, L8, L19
	Production and	W.K.5		
	Distribution of Writing	With guidance and support from adults, respon to strengthen writing as needed.	ıd t	o questions and suggestions from peers and add details
		W.K.5b Demonstrate the ability to use vocabulary appropriate for kindergarten (as described in kindergarten Language Standards 4–6).		Supplemental material is necessary to address revising writing with a specific focus on vocabulary. The following lessons address revising writing as described in W.K.5.
				GK M2 L32DD
				GK M4 L17–19, L21–22, L24–25, L27, L29, L34

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		W.K.6		GK M2 L2, L4–6
		With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including collaboration with peers.		GK M3 L14, L29
	Research to	W.K.7		GK M3 L14, L28–29
	Build and Present Knowledge	Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).		GK M4 L2, L13, L17, L32
		W.K.8 With guidance and support from adults,		GK M1 L1, L4–5, L7DD, L8–10, L13–16, L20–21, L30–31
		recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer		GK M2 L4–7, L11–12, L14–18
		a question.		GK M3 L4–6, L9–11, L15–17, L21, L24–29
				GK M4 L4–8, L11–15, L20–21, L25–27, L29–36
	Range of	W.K.10		GK M1-4
	Writing	Write or dictate writing routinely for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.		This standard is fundamental to the learning design and is addressed in nearly every lesson where students write for a range of tasks, purposes, audiences, and time frames.
Speaking and	Comprehension	SL.K.1		
Listening Standards	and Collaboration	Participate in collaborative conversations with d peers and adults in small and larger groups.	liv	erse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with
		SL.K.1a		GK M1 L1–16, L19, L21–23, L25, L27, L29–31
		Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns		GK M2 L1, L3, L5, L7–8, L11–16, L18–22, L24–32
		speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).		GK M3 L1–2, L4–6, L12, L15, L17, L21–23, L26
				GK M4 L1, L9, L16–17, L19, L21

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		SL.K.1b	GK M1 L6, L16, L22, L25, L27, L29–31
		Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.	GK M2 L28
		SL.K.2	GK M1 L1–2, L4, L6, L8–15, L19, L22–23, L25–27
		Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other	GK M2 L1, L3, L7, L13–15, L18–21, L24–28, L30–32
		media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification	GK M3 L1–26
		if something is not understood.	GK M4 L1–7, L9–28, L30–32, L35–36
		SL.K.3	GK M1 L1, L4, L6–7
		Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something	GK M3 L7, L10–11, L17–22
		that is not understood.	GK M4 L7
	Presentation of Knowledge and	SL.K.4 Describe familiar people, places, things, and	GK M1 L4DD, L5DD, L8DD, L9, L9DD, L10DD, L17, L18DD, L23, L24DD, L26DD, L28DD
	Ideas	events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.	GK M2 L9DD, L12DD, L15, L17, L19
			GK M4 L32–33, L35–36
		SL.K.5	GK M3 L23-30
		Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.	
		SL.K.6	GK M1 L10, L19–22, L27, L30–31
		Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.	GK M2 L2–6, L9–10, L16–17, L20, L23, L28–32
			GK M4 L15, L35

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Language Standards	Conventions of Standard English	L.K.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of st speaking; retain and further develop language s	tandard English grammar and usage when writing or skills learned previously.
		Sentence Structure and Meaning	
		L.K.1a Demonstrate the ability to produce and expand complete sentences using frequently occurring nouns, pronouns, adjectives, verbs, question words, and prepositions; name and use in context numbers 0–100 (see kindergarten mathematics standards for Counting and Cardinality).	 Supplemental material is necessary to address naming and using numbers and using frequently occurring words in the context of producing and expanding sentences. <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses frequently occurring adjectives and pronouns in Grade 1. The following lessons address producing and expanding sentences and using frequently occurring nouns, verbs, question words, and prepositions. GK M1 L4DD, L5, L5DD, L8DD, L9DD, L10DD, L13DD, L14DD, L15, L15DD, L17, L19DD, L24DD, L26DD, L27DD, L28DD, L30DD, L31DD GK M2 L1DD, L2DD, L3DD, L4, L4DD, L6–8, L10, L10DD, L11–12, L12DD, L14DD, L16, L16DD, L17, L17DD, L23DD, L26DD, L28DD, L30–31, L31DD, L32, L32DD GK M3 L1DD, L2DD, L4, L11, L13DD, L14–15, L15DD, L17DD, L21, L28–29, L29DD, L30DD GK M4 L3DD, L4DD, L8DD, L13, L13DD, L21DD, L24DD, L25, L25DD, L27DD, L29DD, L30, L30DD, L31, L32DD, L33–34, L34DD, L35, L35DD

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		L.K.1b Form questions that seek additional information, rather than a simple yes/no answer.		Supplemental material is necessary to explicitly address forming questions for the purpose of seeking answers beyond yes/no. The following lessons address forming questions that seek additional information.
				GK M1 L1, L6, L6DD
				GK M3 L1
		Word Usage		
		L.K.1c		GK M2 L20DD
		Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/.		GK M3 L23DD, L25DD, L26DD, L30
		L.K.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of st when writing.	tan	dard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
		L.K.2a Print upper- and lowercase letters.		Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly.
				GK M2 L5DD, L6, L6DD, L11–12, L16–17, L19, L22–23, L27–28, L31–32
		L.K.2b		GK M3 L4DD, L5, L5DD, L6, L7DD, L9DD, L11DD
		Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun <i>I</i> .		GK M4 L24DD, L25DD, L27DD, L30–31, L32DD, L33–35
		L.K.2c		GK M1 L7, L24
		Recognize and name end punctuation.		GK M2 L11, L21
				GK M3 L18DD, L20DD, L21
				GK M4 L12, L28DD, L29DD, L30DD, L31, L32DD, L34

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		L.K.2d Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).	GK M1 L17DD, L18–19, L21–22, L22DD, L23–24, L25DD, L26–28, L30–31 GK M2 L4–5, L5DD, L6, L6DD, L7, L8DD, L10DD, L11–12, L16–17, L17DD, L22–23, L27–28, L28DD, L31–32 GK M3 L4 GK M4 L36	
		L.K.2e Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.	 GK M1 L17DD, L18–19, L21–22, L22DD, L23–24, L25DD, L26–28, L30–31 GK M2 L4–5, L5DD, L6, L6DD, L7, L8DD, L10DD, L11–12, L16–17, L17DD, L22–23, L27–28, L28DD, L31–32 GK M3 L4–6, L11–12, L16–17, L21–22, L25–26, L28–29 GK M4 L36 	
		L.K.2f Write numbers 0–20 (see kindergarten mathematics standards for Counting and Cardinality).	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address writing numbers.	
	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	L.K.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.		
		L.K.4a Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., knowing <i>duck</i> is a bird and learning the verb to <i>duck</i>).	GK M1 L2DD, L4, L6DD, L9, L12DD, L20DD GK M2 L14, L18DD, L25DD GK M3 L21DD GK M4 L5DD, L16DD, L20DD	

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		L.K.5			
		With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.			
		L.K.5a		GK M1 L4DD, L5DD, L8DD, L9DD, L10DD, L13DD	
		Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.		GK M2 L4DD, L7DD, L9DD, L11–12, L24DD, L27DD, L29DD	
				GK M3 L8DD, L12, L19DD, L27	
				GK M4 L1DD, L31DD	
		L.K.5b		GK M2 L11DD, L26DD	
		Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating		GK M3 L1DD, L2DD, L3DD, L12DD	
		them to their opposites (antonyms).		GK M4 L2DD, L3DD, L9DD, L10DD, L11DD, L18DD, L23	
		L.K.5c Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are <i>colorful</i>).		GK M1 L4DD, L5DD, L8DD, L9DD, L10DD, L11DD, L13DD, L18DD	
				GK M2 L2DD, L4DD, L7DD, L9DD, L11–12, L13DD, L27DD, L29DD	
				GK M3 L2, L4, L7–8, L8DD, L10DD, L12, L19DD, L24DD, L27	
				GK M4 L1DD, L11–12, L19, L32	
		L.K.5d		GK M1 L13	
		Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action		GK M2 L15DD, L19DD, L26	
		(e.g., <i>walk, march, strut, prance</i>) by acting out the meanings.		GK M3 L1DD, L12DD, L14DD, L17DD, L22DD	
				GK M4 L3DD, L6DD, L7DD, L12DD, L16, L21, L23DD	

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		L.K.6	GK M1-4
		Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, activities in the kindergarten curriculum, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.