



**G R E A T  
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# **WIT & WISDOM<sup>®</sup>**

Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

Nebraska College and Career  
Ready Standards for English  
Language Arts Correlation to  
*Wit & Wisdom*

**GRADE 7** | February 2023



### ABOUT *WIT & WISDOM*

*Wit & Wisdom*® is a Kindergarten through Grade 8 English language arts (ELA) curriculum created by Great Minds. Founded in 2007, Great Minds PBC has evolved from an education advocacy start-up to a respected curriculum developer providing the highest quality materials and professional development to schools and districts nationwide. In pursuit of its goal to raise expectations for every student, Great Minds enlists educators to write curricula that use proven learning strategies to reward students' natural curiosity, build knowledge, and cultivate lifelong critical-thinking skills. Writing teams collaborate to ensure a consistent structure and vision for learning within and across all grade levels.

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. 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. Modules build students' knowledge of important topics in the arts, science, and social studies through the use of diverse and culturally relevant texts. 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* was intentionally designed to be implemented alongside a high-quality, research-based foundational skills program therefore the majority of the foundational skills standards will fall into this category. With strategic placement of supplemental materials, students can be successful in achieving the proficiencies of the Nebraska College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts while benefiting from the rich texts and knowledge building of *Wit & Wisdom*. For more information on *Wit & Wisdom*'s alignment to the science of reading, please see [The Science of Reading and \*Wit & Wisdom\*](#) and [Examining Scarborough's Rope: Background Knowledge](#). A detailed analysis of the alignment between the Nebraska standards and *Wit & Wisdom* is provided in the table on the pages that follow this introduction.

An adoption of *Wit & Wisdom* brings to your classroom:

### HIGH RATINGS

The independent, nonprofit reviewer EdReports.org gives *Wit & Wisdom* top ratings for text quality, building knowledge, and usability. *Wit & Wisdom* received 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 <https://greatminds.org/research>. Data stories from districts can be found at <https://greatminds.org/case-studies>. Finally, we are proud to share *The Knowledge Map Project*, an initiative of the Institute of Educational Policy at Johns Hopkins University and Chiefs for Change. This study provided *Wit & Wisdom* with high marks, saying it contains “high-quality texts with extensive topical coverage,” and “makes especially good use of the visual arts.” Read more at <https://edpolicy.education.jhu.edu/knowledge-map/>.

### ONGOING SUPPORT

Great Minds offers *Wit & Wisdom* curriculum-specific professional development that values educators’ experiences and unique contexts. Our professional development helps teachers build their content knowledge and instructional practices to guide them in how to develop habits of inquiry in their students through rich experiences with the curriculum’s complex texts. Ongoing support includes:

#### **Introducing *Wit & Wisdom***

- *Wit & Wisdom* Blog and Online Resources Implementation Guide
- Module Zero (GK–2, G3–5, G6–8)
- *Wit & Wisdom* Preparation Protocols
- On-Demand Professional Development and Implementation Support Videos

#### **Extending *Wit & Wisdom***

- Family Tip Sheets
- Multilingual Glossary
- 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)

## Reading Prose and Poetry

### Central Ideas and Details

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.1</b> Determine two or more implied or explicit themes in a literary text and how they are supported with key details.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 4–5, 9–10, 16, 19, 21–29 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3–6, 8–11, 13–15, 19, 30 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 18–24, 27 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3–7, 13–17, 19, 23–26, 29</p>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.2</b> Analyze how particular events, lines of dialogue, or descriptive details develop the plot, reveal aspects of characters, or create meaning.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9–12, 14–18, 20–26, 28–30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5–7, 9–15, 17, 19–20, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 18–22, 24, 28 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4–8, 13, 17, 19, 28–29</p>

## Reading Prose and Poetry

### Author’s Craft

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.3</b> Analyze how an author establishes, conveys, and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a literary text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9–12, 14–18, 20–26, 28–30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5–7, 9–15, 17, 19–20, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 18–22, 24, 28 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4–8, 13, 17, 19, 28–29</p>



Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.4</b> Analyze the structure of a literary text, and how the structure contributes to its theme(s) and meaning.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9–12, 14–18, 20–26, 28–30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5–7, 9–15, 17, 19–20, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 18–22, 24, 28 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4–8, 13, 17, 19, 28–29</p>

## Reading Prose and Poetry

### Knowledge and Ideas

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.5</b> Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period.</p>	<p>Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly. Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 11, 16, 21–27 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4–7, 10, 13, 22, 25–26, 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 8–9, 16–30, 32, 34 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1–2, 4–9, 13, 16, 19, 23–24, 26–28, 30–31</p>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.6</b> Synthesize the implied or stated theme(s) in a literary text to draw conclusions and deepen understanding of self and others.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 3–4, 8, 14–15, 20, 23 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1–6, 9–10, 12–13, 22–24 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1, 7, 9, 12, 15, 20 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 3–4, 16, 24, 26, 30</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.7</b>                      Compare and contrast regional, national, and/or multicultural perspectives by explaining how an author or narrator/speaker introduces, illustrates, or describes characters or individuals, events, and ideas within and across literary texts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9, 11–12, 15–18, 20–24                      Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 17, 19, 24–26, 28–30, 33                      Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 18–22, 28                      Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4, 6–8, 13, 17, 21–22, 27–28, 30–31, 33–37</p>

### Reading Prose and Poetry

Range or Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RP.8</b>                      Read and comprehend a wide range of literary texts of appropriate complexity for the 6-8 grade band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2                      Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 11, 26</p>

### Reading Informational Text

Central Idea and Details

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RI.1</b>                      Determine two or more implied or explicit central ideas of an informational text and how they are supported with key details.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2                      Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 8, 23, 25–26, 29–30                      Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7, 13–14, 25, 31                      Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 14, 17, 34</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RI.2</b> Analyze the relationships and interactions between individuals, events, and/or ideas or concepts, drawing on specific supporting details in an informational text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9, 11–12, 15–18, 20–24 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 17, 19, 24–26, 28–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 18–22, 28 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4, 6–8, 13, 17, 21–22, 27–28, 30–31, 33–37</p>

## Reading Informational Text

### Author's Craft

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RI.3</b> Analyze how an author establishes or conveys a perspective or purpose and distinguishes it from that of others.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 31 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 24</p>
<p><b>LA.7.RI.4</b> Analyze how the major sections of text contribute to the development of ideas in an informational text.</p>	<p>Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly. Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 25, 30</p>

**Reading Informational Text****Knowledge and Ideas**

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p>LA.7.RI.5</p> <p>Compare and contrast how two or more authors provide conflicting information on the same topic, including where the texts disagree on matters of evidence or interpretation.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 31</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 24</p>
<p>LA.7.RI.6</p> <p>Analyze the development of an argument and identify the type(s) of reasoning used to support the argument.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 3–4, 8, 14–15, 20, 23</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1–6, 9–10, 12–13, 22–24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1, 7, 9, 12, 15, 20</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 3–4, 16, 24, 26, 30</p>
<p>LA.7.RI.7</p> <p>Compare and contrast regional, national, and/or multicultural perspectives by explaining how an author or narrator/speaker introduces, illustrates, or describes characters or individuals, events, and ideas within and across informational texts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6–7, 9, 11–12, 15–18, 20–24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 17, 19, 24–26, 28–30, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 18–22, 28</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4, 6–8, 13, 17, 21–22, 27–28, 30–31, 33–37</p>



## Reading Informational Text

### Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.RI.8</b></p> <p>Read and comprehend a wide range of informational texts of appropriate complexity for the 6-8 grade band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 11, 26</p>

## Vocabulary

### Acquisition and Use

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.V.1</b></p> <p>Integrate grade-level academic vocabulary appropriately for a variety of tasks and purposes.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4</p> <p><i>Wit &amp; 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.</p>
<p><b>LA.7.V.1.a</b></p> <p>Use context clues (e.g. the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) to determine the meanings of words and phrases.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 5, 5DD, 6DD, 10DD, 13DD, 16DD, 17DD, 20, 27DD, 28, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2DD, 3DD, 4DD, 7DD, 13DD, 17DD, 19DD, 22DD, 24, 27DD, 28, 29DD, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 2DD, 3–4, 5DD, 11DD, 15, 18, 19DD, 20DD, 32, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 3DD, 9, 16DD, 17DD, 18, 21DD, 23DD, 24DD, 26, 28DD, 30DD, 33DD</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.V.1.b</b>                      b. Use commonly occurring Greek and Latin affixes and roots to determine the meanings of words (e.g., audience, audible).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2DD, 6DD, 8DD, 10DD, 13DD, 16DD, 20DD, 29DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2DD, 3DD, 8DD, 13DD, 22DD, 25DD, 27DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 5DD, 20DD, 26, 29DD, 32DD, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3DD, 6, 7DD, 8DD, 9, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 21DD, 24DD, 30DD, 33DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.V.1.c</b>                      Consult general and specialized reference materials to determine or clarify the precise meanings, pronunciations, or parts of speech of words.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 18, 30DD</p>

## Vocabulary

### Context and Connotation

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.V.2</b>                      Interpret an author’s use of figurative, connotative, and technical language in grade-level literary and informational text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 5DD, 24DD, 27DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1DD, 4DD, 5, 7DD, 17DD, 22DD, 25DD, 29DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1–4, 6, 6DD, 8–9, 11DD, 12DD, 13DD, 18DD, 19DD, 25DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1DD, 3DD, 4DD, 6, 10DD, 12DD, 13DD, 14DD, 16DD, 28DD, 29DD</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.V.2.a</b> Interpret figures of speech (e.g., literary, biblical, or mythological allusions) in context.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 5, 5DD, 6DD, 10DD, 13DD, 16DD, 17DD, 20, 27DD, 28, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2DD, 3DD, 4DD, 7DD, 13DD, 17DD, 19DD, 22DD, 24, 27DD, 28, 29DD, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 2DD, 3–4, 5DD, 11DD, 15, 18, 19DD, 20DD, 32, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 3DD, 9, 16DD, 17DD, 18, 21DD, 23DD, 24DD, 26, 28DD, 30DD, 33DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.V.2.b</b> Determine the relationship between words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 5DD, 24DD, 27DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1DD, 4DD, 5, 7DD, 17DD, 22DD, 25DD, 29DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1–4, 6, 6DD, 8–9, 11DD, 12DD, 13DD, 18DD, 19DD, 25DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1DD, 3DD, 4DD, 6, 10DD, 12DD, 13DD, 14DD, 16DD, 28DD, 29DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.V.2.c</b> Distinguish between the connotations of words with similar denotations (e.g., polite, diplomatic).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 5DD, 24DD, 27DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1DD, 4DD, 5, 7DD, 17DD, 22DD, 25DD, 29DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1–4, 6, 6DD, 8–9, 11DD, 12DD, 13DD, 18DD, 19DD, 25DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1DD, 3DD, 4DD, 6, 10DD, 12DD, 13DD, 14DD, 16DD, 28DD, 29DD</p>

## Writing

### Production of Writing

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1</b> Create grammatically correct multi-paragraph compositions with varied sentence structures.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 22DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 26DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1.a</b> Apply knowledge of rules for capitalization.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 23DD, 28DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 35, 35DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1.b</b> Use a comma to separate coordinate adjectives.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 23DD, 28DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 35, 35DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1.c</b> Distinguish between and use types of clauses (e.g., noun, relative, adverbial), modifiers (e.g., misplaced and dangling), and adjectives (coordinate and cumulative).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 22DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 26DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1.d</b> Use a variety of prepositional and appositive phrases in sentences and paragraphs.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 22DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 26DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.1.e</b> Identify and revise fragment and run-on sentences and inappropriate shifts in verb tenses.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 22DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 26DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2</b> Use a recursive writing process to develop, strengthen, and produce writing appropriate to the audience, purpose, and discipline.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD, 30DD, 32, 32DD, 33, 34, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21, 31, 33, 34, 35, 35DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD (133), 21, 22, 30, 30DD, 33, 34, 35, 36, 36DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32, 33, 34, 37, 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2.a</b> Use prewriting activities and inquiry tools to plan, organize, and draft writing.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 31–33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 20, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21, 30, 34 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32–33</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2.b</b> Adapt writing processes to sustain engagement in short and long-term writing tasks of increasing length and complexity.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 20 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 33–37</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2.c</b> Improve and clarify the content, structure, and organization of writing by revising, considering feedback from adults and peers.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD, 30DD, 32DD, 33–34, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21, 31, 35 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD, 22, 30DD, 33, 35, 36, 36DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37, 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2.d</b> Improve and clarify writing by editing and proofreading, considering feedback from adults and peers.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD, 30DD, 32DD, 33–34, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21, 31, 35 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD, 22, 30DD, 33, 35, 36, 36DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 37, 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.2.e</b> Use appropriate print and digital/multimedia tools to produce, enhance, and/or publish writing individually or in collaboration with peers.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 15 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 15, 20–22</p>



**Writing****Modes of Writing**

<b>Nebraska Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i></b>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3</b></p> <p>Write in a variety of literary forms to convey real or imagined experiences or events in which the development and structure are appropriate to the task, purpose, and audience.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2–3, 18–19, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 32</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 7, 20, 31, 33</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3.a</b></p> <p>Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and introducing a narrator and/or character(s), establishing and maintaining a point of view, and organizing an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3.b</b></p> <p>Use literary techniques (e.g. dialogue, pacing, description) to develop characters, events, settings, and conflicts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2–3, 18–19, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 32</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 7, 20, 31, 33</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3.c</b></p> <p>Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to signal shifts from one character, time frame, or setting to another.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3.d</b> Use precise words and phrases, descriptive/ sensory details, and figurative language to express personal or narrative voice.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 9DD, 15DD, 34DD            Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 5DD, 6DD, 15DD, 20, 23DD, 35DD            Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 21, 30, 33, 36DD            Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 31DD, 32DD, 33, 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.3.e</b> Provide a conclusion that is clearly related to and appropriately reflects on the literary experiences or events.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33            Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34            Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33            Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.4</b> Write arguments that develop a perspective with supporting reasons and evidence, organized as appropriate to the task, purpose, and audience.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4  <i>Wit &amp; 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.</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.4.a</b> Develop a structure to sequence ideas appropriately; introduce a clear claim where appropriate.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33            Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34            Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33            Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.4.b</b> Explain and cite relevant evidence from multiple credible sources.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 9, 18, 24, 26, 36</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.4.c</b> Use words, phrases, and key vocabulary to clarify the relationship between claim(s) and supporting evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 9DD, 15DD, 34DD Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 5DD, 6DD, 15DD, 20, 23DD, 35DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 21, 30, 33, 36DD Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 31DD, 32DD, 33, 37DD</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.4.d</b> Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument(s) presented.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.5</b> Write informative/explanatory pieces to examine a topic or text and convey ideas and information.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <i>Wit &amp; 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.</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.5.a</b> Introduce a topic clearly and provide a general focus, grouping information logically and including text features, illustrations, and/or multimedia elements.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.W.5.b</b> Develop a topic with information (e.g., facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, examples) related to the topic.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.5.c</b> Use appropriate transitions and key vocabulary to clarify relationships among ideas and concepts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.5.d</b> Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation(s).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29–30, 33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 20, 24, 24DD, 26DD, 31–32, 34 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 21, 30, 33 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 33–36</p>
<p><b>LA.7.W.6</b> Gather and use credible evidence from multiple trustworthy sources and assess its relevance in answering the research question.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <i>Wit &amp; 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.</p>

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<p><b>LA.7.W.6.a</b> Integrate evidence into writing by quoting or paraphrasing data and conclusions while avoiding plagiarism.</p>	Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 10–11, 27, 33–36
<p><b>LA.7.W.6.b</b> Locate and evaluate the credibility of evidence (e.g., motivation and/or potential bias of an information product) from print and digital sources to generate and answer questions and create new understandings.</p>	Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 9, 18, 24, 26, 36
<p><b>LA.7.W.6.c</b> Select and use appropriate note-taking formats to collect and organize information.</p>	Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 31–33 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 20, 33 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21, 30, 34 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32–33
<p><b>LA.7.W.6.d</b> Demonstrate academic integrity by avoiding overreliance on any one source and citing sources within text (e.g., parenthetical and numerical); provide a list of sources using a standard format.</p>	Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 10–11, 27, 33–36
<p><b>LA.7.W.6.e</b> Practice safe and ethical behaviors when communicating and interacting with others digitally (e.g., safe information to share, utilize appropriate sites and materials, appropriate language use, respect diverse perspectives).</p>	Wit & Wisdom does not address practicing safe and ethical behaviors when communicating and interacting with others digitally.

## Speaking and Listening

### Comprehension and Collaboration

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1</b> Prepare for and participate in structured discussions and collaborations about 7th grade topics and texts.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <i>Wit &amp; 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.</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1.a</b> Ask relevant questions to build on ideas, clarify own ideas, or acquire or confirm information.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 18, 24 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 30 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 17, 29, 37 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27, 38</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1.b</b> Demonstrate interpretation of verbal and non-verbal messages in a conversation.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16–17 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1.c</b> Converse with peers and adults in an all-inclusive manner to foster positive relationships while respecting diverse perspectives.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 18, 24 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 19, 30 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 29, 37 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27, 31, 38</p>



Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1.d</b> Demonstrate active and attentive listening skills (e.g., eye contact, nonverbal cues, taking notes, recalling, questioning).</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16–17 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.1.e</b> Complete a task following multi-step directions.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 34–37</p>

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### Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2</b> Present claims and findings, emphasizing key ideas in a focused, coherent manner with relevant descriptions, facts, details, and examples to clarify themes or central ideas.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 35 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 12</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2.a</b> Demonstrate and adjust speaking techniques (e.g., appropriate eye contact, pacing, adequate volume, clear pronunciation) for a variety of purposes and situations, including interpreting 7th grade texts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 10–11, 23, 34–35 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 12 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 6</p>

Nebraska Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2.b</b> Convey a perspective with clear reasoning and support.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 18 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 19, 30 Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 29, 37 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 17, 20, 27, 31, 38</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2.c</b> Analyze the purpose and credibility of information being presented.</p>	<p><i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i> does not address actively listening to analyze and evaluate the credibility of information being presented in diverse media and formats. <i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6.</p> <p>Grade 6, Module 2, Lessons 21 Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 4, 23 Grade 6, Module 4, Lessons 28</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2.d</b> Demonstrate awareness of and sensitivity to the appropriate use of words (e.g., stereotypes, multiple meanings of words).</p>	<p><i>Wit &amp; Wisdom</i> does not address demonstrating awareness of and sensitivity to the appropriate use of words in conversation.</p>
<p><b>LA.7.SL.2.e</b> Use appropriate visual and/or digital tools to enhance verbal communication and add interest.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 15 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 15, 20–22</p>