





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

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

Extending Wit & Wisdom

- Family 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)

New Hampshire Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy Correlation to *Wit & Wisdom*

GRADE 1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS/LITERACY

The majority of the Grade 1 New Hampshire Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy are fully covered by Grade 1 of the *Wit & Wisdom* curriculum. The areas where the Grade 1 New Hampshire standards and Grade 1 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 New Hampshire standards while benefiting from the rich texts and knowledge building of *Wit & Wisdom*.

KEY

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Wit & Wisdom does not address the New Hampshire standard.

Wit & Wisdom addresses the New Hampshire standard at a different grade level.

G = grade level Examples:

M = module G1 M1 L6 = Grade 1 Module 1 Lesson 6

L = lesson G1 M1 L6DD = Grade 1 Module 1 Lesson 6 Deep Dive

DD = Deep Dive

Strand	Sub-Strand	Standard	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
Reading	Key Ideas and	RL.1.1	G1 M1 L1–12, L17–24, L27
Standards for Literature	Details	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	G1 M2 L1-7, L33
			G1 M3 L2-3, L5, L13, L15-17, L21, L23-26, L32-35
			G1 M4 L1–36
		RL.1.2	G1 M1 L2-5, L7-11, L18, L21-24, L26-27, L29-31
		Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central	G1 M2 L2, L4, L6–9
		message or lesson.	G1 M3 L14, L16, L18–19, L24, L27, L30
			G1 M4 L3, L6–7, L10, L13, L15, L18, L20, L23, L26
		RL.1.3	G1 M1 L2–12, L17–26, L28–29, L31
		Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.	G1 M2 L2-3, L6-7, L25
			G1 M3 L14, L16–25, L27, L30
			G1 M4 L3–11, L13–14, L16, L18–19, L21–24, L27–29
	Craft and	RL.1.4	G1 M3 L15, L19, L22–25, L27–29, L31
	Structure	Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.	G1 M4 L20, L25
		RL.1.5	G1 M3 L1, L7, L12–13, L20, L25, L31
		Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.	
		RL.1.6	G1 M1 L25
		Identify who is telling the story at various points in a text.	G1 M4 L4–5, L8, L14, L17

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	Integration of	RL.1.7	G1 M1 L1–6, L8–12, L18–25, L28, L31
	Knowledge and Ideas	Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events.	G1 M2 L2-3, L6-7
			G1 M3 L9, L17–19, L21, L23, L25, L27–28
			G1 M4 L1, L3–11, L13–14, L16, L18–19, L21–25, L27, L29, L33
		RL.1.9	G1 M1 L11
		Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.	G1 M2 L7
			G1 M3 L20
			G1 M4 L9, L16, L21, L33–34
	Range of	RL.1.10	G1 M1-4
	Reading and Level of Text Complexity	With prompting and support, read prose and poetry of appropriate complexity for grade 1.	Wit & Wisdom considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.
Reading	Key Ideas and	RI.1.1	G1 M1 L1-4, L6-8, L12-18, L21, L28
Standards for Informational Text	Details	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	G1 M2 L10–12, L14–16, L18, L20–21, L26–28, L30–31, L33–36
			G1 M3 L1–6, L8–10, L17, L26, L28–29, L35
			G1 M4 L30, L36
		RI.1.2	G1 M1 L2-4, L8, L15-16, L21, L28
		Identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.	G1 M2 L11, L13–14, L16–17, L21–22, L26, L31
			G1 M3 L3–4, L6, L11, L30

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		RI.1.3	G1 M1 L3–4, L6, L8, L12, L21, L30
		Describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of	G1 M2 L11, L14, L16, L19, L23–24, L26, L30
		information in a text.	G1 M3 L7, L29–30
	Craft and	RI.1.4	G1 M1 L14, L24DD
	Structure	Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases	G1 M2 L10–11, L16, L27, L29
		in a text.	G1 M3 L2, L5, L8, L17, L26–28
		RI.1.5	G1 M1 L14–16, L28
		Know and use various text features (e.g., headings, tables of contents, glossaries,	G1 M2 L12, L14, L18–19, L21, L23, L29
		electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text.	G1 M3 L10
			G1 M4 L8
		RI.1.6	G1 M3 L5, L8–10, L17, L27–28
		Distinguish between information provided by pictures or other illustrations and information provided by the words in a text.	G1 M4 L25, L29
	Integration of	RI.1.7	G1 M1 L1-4, L7-8, L12-13, L15-17, L23, L28
	Knowledge and Ideas	Use the illustrations and details in a text to describe its key ideas.	G1 M2 L10–12, L14, L17, L21–26, L30–31, L33, L35
			G1 M3 L3, L5–6, L8–11, L27–28
		RI.1.8	G1 M2 L26, L28–30, L32
		Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.	G1 M3 L9

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		RI.1.9	G1 M1 L6, L21	
		Identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in	G1 M2 L20, L26, L30	
		illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	G1 M3 L3-6, L31	
			G1 M4 L27	
	Range of	RI.1.10	G1 M1-4	
	Reading and Level of Text Complexity	With prompting and support, read informational texts appropriately complex for grade 1.	Wit & Wisdom considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.	
Reading	Print Concepts	RF.1.1		
Standards: Foundational		Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.		
Skills		RF.1.1.a Recognize the distinguishing features of	Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly.	
		a sentence (e.g., first word, capitalization, ending punctuation).	G1 M1 L25DD	
			G1 M2 L4DD, L6DD, L7DD	
	Phonological	RF.1.2		
	Awareness	Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).		
		RF.1.2.a	Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.	
		Distinguish long from short vowel sounds in spoken single-syllable words.		
		RF.1.2.b	Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.	
		Orally produce single-syllable words by blending sounds (phonemes), including consonant blends.		

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		RF.1.2.c	W	it & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in spoken single-syllable words.		
		RF.1.2.d	W	it & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual sounds (phonemes).		
	Phonics	RF.1.3		
	and Word Recognition	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word a	nalys	sis skills in decoding words.
	Recognition	RF.1.3.a	W	Tit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Know the spelling-sound correspondences for common consonant digraphs.		
		RF.1.3.b	W	Tit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words.		
		RF.1.3.c	W	Tit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Know final -e and common vowel team conventions for representing long vowel sounds.		
		RF.1.3.d	W	it & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word.		
		RF.1.3.e	W	it & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Decode two-syllable words following basic patterns by breaking the words into syllables.		
		RF.1.3.f Read words with inflectional endings.		applemental material is necessary to address this andard thoroughly.
			G1	1 M1 L10DD, L12DD

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		RF.1.3.g	Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.	
	Fluency	RF.1.4	
		Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to sup	pport comprehension.
		RF.1.4.a Read grade-level text with purpose	Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly.
		and understanding.	G1 M1 L23–27
		RF.1.4.b Read grade-level text orally with accuracy,	Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly.
		appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.	G1 M1 L7, L9–12, L31
			G1 M2 L4, L8–9, L17, L20, L24–25, L30–32
			G1 M3 L4, L6, L11, L20, L24, L32, L35
			G1 M4 L23, L35
		RF.1.4.c	Wit & Wisdom does not address foundational skills.
		Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.	
Writing	Text Types and	W.1.1	G1 M2 L26
Standards	Purposes	Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or name the book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure.	G1 M4 L4–16, L18–21, L23–27, L29–32

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		W.1.2	G1 M1 L3, L16
		Write informative/explanatory texts in which they name a topic, supply some facts about	G1 M2 L2-6, L8-14, L16-19, L22-24, L28-36
		the topic, and provide some sense of closure.	G1 M3 L6-7
		W.1.3 Write narratives in which they recount two or	G1 M1 L4–5, L11–12, L21–22, L25–26, L26DD, L27, L27DD, L28–30, L30DD, L31–32
		more appropriately sequenced events, include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.	G1 M3 L9–12, L14–16, L18–19, L24–25, L28–29, L32–35
	Production and	W.1.5	G1 M1 L6, L28–29, L29DD, L30, L30DD, L31, L31DD
	Distribution of Writing	With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and	G1 M2 L14, L32, L34DD, L35
		suggestions from peers, and add details to strengthen writing as needed.	G1 M3 L33DD, L34
			G1 M4 L33
		W.1.6	G1 M2 L24-25
		With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.	
	Research to	W.1.7	G1 M2 L26, L33–35
	Build and Present Knowledge	Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of "how-to"	G1 M3 L3-7
	Knowledge	books on a given topic and use them to write a sequence of instructions).	G1 M4 L30
		W.1.8	G1 M1 L3-5, L10-11, L16, L21, L23, L26, L28-31
		With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather	G1 M2 L8–9, L12–13, L18–19, L23–24, L26, L30, L33–35
		information from provided sources to answer a question.	G1 M3 L3-7
			G1 M4 L8–9, L15–16, L24–26, L29–32

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Speaking and Listening	Comprehension and	SL.1.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with o	div	erse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers
Standards	Collaboration	and adults in small and larger groups.		
		SL.1.1.a		G1 M1 L1-32
		Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking		G1 M2 L1–32, L34, L36
		one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).		G1 M3 L1, L5–6, L14, L17, L21
				G1 M4 L34-35
		SL.1.1.b		G1 M1 L18–19, L21–27, L31–32
		Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others		G1 M2 L9, L20, L36
		through multiple exchanges.		G1 M4 L34
		SL.1.1.c		G1 M3 L2, L7–8, L13, L29, L35
		Ask questions to clear up any confusion about the topics and texts under discussion.		
		SL.1.2		G1 M1 L1-4, L7-12, L14-18, L20
		Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented		G1 M2 L1-2, L5-6, L10-16, L21, L26-28
		orally or through other media.		G1 M3 L2-6, L8-17, L19, L21-23, L27, L29, L35
				G1 M4 L1–2, L4, L7, L10, L12, L17–18, L20, L22–23, L25, L27–28, L34
		SL.1.3		G1 M3 L8, L13, L20, L26, L29, L35
		Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is		
		not understood.		

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	Presentation of	SL.1.4	G	S1 M4 L17–18, L22, L28, L34
	Knowledge and Ideas	Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.		
		SL.1.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.	G	61 M2 L17–19, L22–25, L30, L34–35
		SL.1.6	G	G1 M1 L2, L6, L9, L28–29
		Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation.	G	61 M2 L7, L9, L14, L20, L22–23, L36
			G	G1 M3 L1, L24–25, L28–30, L33, L35
			G	G1 M4 L1DD, L8–9, L15–16, L26, L28, L31, L34–36
Language Standards	Conventions of Standard English	L.1.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of st or speaking.	anda	ard English grammar and usage when writing
		L.1.1.a	G	61 M4 L30DD, L31, L31DD, L32, L32DD
		Print all upper- and lowercase letters.		
		L.1.1.b Use common, proper, and possessive nouns.		G1 M1 L1DD, L3DD, L4DD, L14–16, L21, L23, L28–29, L29DD, L30–31
			G	G1 M4 L13DD
		L.1.1.c	G	61 M3 L4DD, L5DD, L6DD, L7, L7DD
		Use singular and plural nouns with matching verbs in basic sentences (e.g., <i>He hops</i> ; <i>We hop</i>).		
		L.1.1.d Use personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns (e.g., <i>I</i> , <i>me</i> , <i>my</i> ; <i>they</i> , <i>them</i> , <i>their</i> ; <i>anyone</i> , <i>everything</i>).		61 M4 L12DD, L13DD, L15DD, L16DD, L18DD, L19DD, 224–26, L33

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		L.1.1.e	G1 M1 L7DD, L9DD, L12DD
		Use verbs to convey a sense of past, present, and future (e.g., <i>Yesterday I walked home</i> ; <i>Today I walk home</i> ; <i>Tomorrow I will walk home</i>).	G1 M3 L15DD, L17DD, L18–19, L19DD, L20DD, L24–25
		L.1.1.f	G1 M1 L17DD, L19, L20DD, L21–22, L22DD, L23, L28
		Use frequently occurring adjectives.	G1 M3 L8DD, L10DD, L11DD, L23–25, L25DD, L27–34, L34DD, L35
		L.1.1.g Use frequently occurring conjunctions (e.g., and, but, or, so, because).	G1 M4 L2DD, L3DD, L4DD, L6DD, L9DD, L11DD, L15–16
		L.1.1.h Use determiners (e.g., articles, demonstratives).	G1 M2 L10DD, L13DD, L14DD, L15DD, L17DD, L19, L19DD, L30, L34, L34DD
		L.1.1.i	G1 M1 L26DD, L27DD
		Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., during, beyond, toward).	G1 M2 L21DD, L23DD, L25DD, L29DD, L31, L31DD, L34
		L.1.1.j Produce and expand complete simple	G1 M1 L2, L7, L10–13, L13DD, L16, L21, L23, L23DD, L25DD, L28–29, L29DD, L30, L30DD, L31, L31DD
		and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.	G1 M2 L5, L7DD, L9, L12–14, L19, L22–25, L30–32, L34, L34DD, L35, L35DD
			G1 M3 L30, L33, L33DD, L34
			G1 M4 L6DD, L7DD, L9DD, L11DD, L17, L31

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		L.1.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of statement when writing.	tan	dard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
		L.1.2.a Capitalize dates and names of people.		G1 M1 L4DD, L14, L16, L21, L28–29, L29DD, L30–31 G1 M4 L20DD, L21DD, L31–33
		L.1.2.b Use end punctuation for sentences.		G1 M1 L4–5, L7, L10–13, L16, L21, L23, L25DD, L28–29, L29DD, L30–31, L31DD
				G1 M2 L4DD, L6DD, L7DD, L9, L9DD, L12–14, L19, L22–25, L30–32, L34–35, L35DD
		L.1.2.c		G1 M4 L6DD, L7DD, L9DD, L11DD, L17, L33
		Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series.		
		L.1.2.d		G1 M4 L23DD, L24DD, L27DD, L29, L31–32, L33DD
		Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.		
		L.1.2.e		G1 M2 L9, L13, L19, L23, L32
		Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.		

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	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	L.1.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 1 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.		
		L.1.4.a Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.		G1 M1 L2DD, L8DD, L14, L18DD, L21DD, L24DD G1 M2 L10–11, L14, L16, L27, L29, L30DD
				G1 M3 L5, L13, L14DD, L17, L21, L26, L27DD, L28, L29DD G1 M4 L3, L5DD, L8, L10DD, L11, L13, L18, L22, L33
		L.1.4.b		G1 M1 L10DD, L12DD
		Use frequently occurring affixes as a clue to the meaning of a word.		G1 M2 L27
				G1 M3 L21, L26, L26DD, L27DD, L28DD, L31
				G1 M4 L3, L26DD
		L.1.4.c		G1 M1 L10DD, L12DD
		Identify frequently occurring root words (e.g., look) and their inflectional forms (e.g., looks, looked, looking).		G1 M3 L18DD, L22DD, L24DD, L31
		L.1.5 With guidance and support from adults, demor	nstr	rate understanding of word relationships and nuances in
		L.1.5.a Sort words into categories (e.g., colors,		G1 M2 L1DD, L8DD, L16DD, L18DD, L22DD, L24DD, L26DD, L27DD, L28DD
		clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.		G1 M3 L3DD
				G1 M4 L14DD, L17DD, L25DD, L28DD, L29DD, L33

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		L.1.5.b Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a <i>duck</i> is a bird that swims; a <i>tiger</i> is a large cat with stripes).	G1 M2 L1DD, L16DD, L18DD, L22DD, L24DD, L26DD, L27DD, L28DD, L32 G1 M3 L3DD
		L.1.5.c Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).	G1 M3 L2DD, L3DD, L9DD, L13DD, L17, L30DD G1 M4 L1DD
		L.1.5.d 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.	G1 M2 L2DD, L3DD, L5DD, L11DD, L12DD, L21, L30DD, L32, L32DD G1 M3 L1DD, L12DD, L16DD, L23DD, L31 G1 M4 L8DD
		L.1.6 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships (e.g., because).	G1 M1–4 Wit & Wisdom considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.