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WIT & WISDOM[®]

Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

North Carolina Course of Study for
English Language Arts Correlation
to *Wit & Wisdom*

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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 North Carolina Standard Course of Study ELA 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 North Carolina Standard Course of Study ELA 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 Standards for Literature

Key Ideas and Evidence

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RL.7.1 Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1 , Lessons 1 (23), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (71), 6 (81), 7 (93), 8 (99), 9 (111), 10 (125), 11 (139), 13 (163), 14 (175), 15 (187), 16 (199), 18 (221), 19 (233), 20 (245), 21 (257), 22 (267), 23 (277), 24 (289), 25 (301), 26 (317), 27 (325), 28 (337), 29 (347), 30 (359), 31 (369), 32 (377), 33 (385),</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1 (23), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (87), 7 (99), 9 (125), 10 (139), 11 (153), 13 (183), 14 (193), 15 (209), 16 (221), 17 (233), 18 (243), 19 (255), 20 (265), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (83), 10 (127), 11 (135), 15 (179), 16 (193), 17 (207), 18 (219), 19 (233), 20 (245), 21 (255), 22 (265), 23 (279), 24 (295), 25 (307), 26 (319), 27 (331), 28 (341), 29 (355), 30 (365), 34 (401), 35 (409), 36 (415), 37 (423)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (41), 3 (59), 4 (71), 5 (85), 6 (99), 7 (107), 8 (117), 9 (131), 10 (145), 11 (161), 12 (167), 13 (179), 14 (193), 16 (223), 17 (235), 19 (257), 20 (267), 23 (291), 24 (303), 25 (311), 26 (321), 27 (331), 28 (341), 29 (349), 31 (369), 38 (419)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RL.7.2 Determine a theme of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1 , Lessons 4 (61), 5 (71), 9 (111), 10 (125), 15 (187), 16 (199), 17 (211), 19 (233), 20 (245), 23 (277), 24 (289), 25 (301), 26 (317), 27 (325), 28 (337), 29 (347)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (87), 8 (109), 9 (125), 10 (139), 11 (153), 12 (167), 13 (183), 14 (193), 15 (209), 16 (221), 17 (233), 18 (243), 19 (255), 20 (265), 30 (377)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 18 (219), 19 (233), 20 (245), 21 (255), 22 (265), 23 (279), 24 (295), 25 (307), 26 (319), 27 (331), 28 (341), 29 (355), 30 (365)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 4 (71), 5 (85), 6 (99), 7 (107), 13 (179), 14 (193), 15 (207), 16 (223), 17 (235), 19 (257), 23 (291), 24 (303), 25 (311), 26 (321), 29 (349), 38 (419)</p>
<p>RL.7.3 Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6 (81), 7 (93), 8 (99), 9 (111), 10 (125), 11 (139), 12 (151), 14 (175), 15 (187), 16 (199), 17 (211), 18 (221), 20 (245), 21 (257), 22 (267), 23 (277), 24 (289), 25 (301), 26 (317), 28 (337), 29 (347), 30 (359)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3 (49), 5 (73), 6 (87), 7 (99), 9 (125), 10 (139), 12 (167), 13 (183), 14 (193), 15 (209), 17 (233), 18 (243), 19 (255), 20 (265), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16 (193), 18 (219), 19 (233), 20 (245), 22 (265), 28 (341)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2 (41), 4 (71), 5 (85), 6 (99), 7 (107), 8 (117), 13 (179), 17 (235), 19 (257) 28 (341)</p>

Reading Standards for Literature

Craft and Structure

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RL.7.4</p> <p>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text; analyze the impact of rhymes and repetitions of sounds on meaning and tone in a specific line or section of a literary work</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1DD (32), 5 (71), 20 (245), 26 (317), 27DD (333), 28 (337), 29 (347)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD (71), 5(73), 10(139), 14(193), 17DD (233)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (83), 6DD (90), 15 (179), 18 (219), 20 (245), 24 (295)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 6 (99), 12DD (173), 13 (179), 13DD (189), 14DD (203), 23 (291), 25 (311), 26 (321), 28DD (347)</p>
<p>RL.7.5</p> <p>Analyze how a drama’s or poem’s (or other literary genre’s) form or structure contributes to its meaning.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 10 (125), 15 (187), 18 (221)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 17 (233)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73)</p>
<p>RL.7.6</p> <p>Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the perspectives of different characters in a text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6 (81), 11 (139), 16 (199), 27 (325)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 17 (207), 18 (219), 19 (233), 20 (245), 21 (255), 22 (265), 24 (295), 28 (341)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 13 (159), 18 (219)</p>

Reading Standards for Literature

Integration of Ideas and Analysis

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RL.7.7</p> <p>Compare and contrast a written story, drama, or poem to its audio, filmed, staged, or multimedia version, analyzing the effects of techniques unique to each medium.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73)</p>
<p>RL.7.8</p> <p>Not applicable to literature.</p>	<p>N.A.</p>
<p>RL.7.9</p> <p>Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of a time, place, or character and a historical account of the same period as a means of understanding how authors of fiction use or alter history.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 5 (71), 25 (301)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4 (61), 18 (243)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 4 (71), 9 (131), 12 (167), 13 (179), 14 (193), 16 (223), 23 (291), 26 (321)</p>

Reading Standards for Literature

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RL.7.10</p> <p>By the end of grade 7, read and understand literature within the 6-8 text complexity band proficiently and independently for sustained periods of time. Connect prior knowledge and experiences to text.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4</p> <p><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.</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Key Ideas and Evidence

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RI.7.1</p> <p>Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2 (35), 10 (125), 20 (245)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1 (23), 4 (61), 18 (243), 21 (275), 22 (287), 23 (299), 24 (309), 25 (321), 26 (331), 28 (355), 29 (365), 30 (377), 31 (387), 32 (395), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7 (93), 8 (105), 9 (117), 10 (127), 11 (135), 12 (145), 13 (159), 14 (169), 17 (207), 25 (307), 26 (319), 31 (375), 32 (385), 33 (395), 34 (401), 35 (409), 36 (415), 37 (423)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 4 (71), 5 (85), 9 (131), 11 (161), 12 (167), 14 (193), 16 (223), 17 (235), 18 (247), 20 (267), 21 (277), 22 (285), 23 (291), 24 (303), 26 (321), 27 (331), 28 (341), 29 (349), 30 (359), 31 (369), 32 (379), 33 (387), 34 (395), 35 (401), 36 (407), 37 (413), 38 (419)</p>
<p>RI.7.2</p> <p>Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lesson 2 (35)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 8 (109), 18 (243), 23 (299), 24 (309), 25 (321), 26 (331), 28 (355), 29 (365), 30 (377), 31 (387)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7 (93), 8 (105), 10 (127), 13 (159), 14 (169), 25 (307), 26 (319), 31 (375)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 14 (193), 15 (207), 16 (223), 17 (235), 18 (247), 30 (359), 32 (379), 38 (419)</p>
<p>RI.7.3</p> <p>Analyze the interactions between individuals, events, and ideas in a text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4 (61), 24 (309), 25 (321), 26 (331), 28 (355), 29 (365), 30 (377), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 4 (71), 17 (235), 21 (277), 22 (285), 23 (291), 26 (321), 27 (331), 28 (341), 30 (359), 31 (369), 33 (387), 34 (395), 35 (401), 36 (407), 37 (413)</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Craft and Structure

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RI.7.4</p> <p>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2 (35), 13DD (172)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD (71), 10DD (150), 14DD (206), 22DD (295), 24 (309), 28 (355), 29DD (374)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8 (105), 9 (117), 10 (127), 13 (159), 31 (375), 32 (385)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 3DD (69), 9 (131), 12DD (173), 14 (193), 15 (207), 16 (223), 16DD (233), 18 (247), 23DD (300), 24DD (309), 30DD (366)</p>
<p>RI.7.5</p> <p>Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1 (23), 4 (61), 8 (109), 23 (299), 24 (309)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 9 (131), 14 (193), 15 (207), 16 (223), 18 (247), 30 (359)</p>
<p>RI.7.6</p> <p>Determine an author’s point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 18 (243)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 9 (117), 31 (375)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 4 (71), 5 (85), 9 (131), 16 (223), 17 (235), 18 (247), 26 (321)</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Integration of Ideas and Analysis

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RI.7.7 Compare and contrast a text to an audio, video, or multimedia version of the text, analyzing each medium’s portrayal of the subject.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>
<p>RI.7.8 Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7 (93), 8 (105), 12 (145), 13 (159), 14 (169), 16 (193), 17 (207), 19 (233), 21 (255), 23 (279), 31 (375), 32 (385)</p>
<p>RI.7.9 Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 31 (375) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 8 (117), 17 (235), 24 (303), 26 (321)</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>RI.7.10 By the end of grade 7, read and understand informational texts within the 6-8 text complexity band proficiently and independently for sustained periods of time. Connect prior knowledge and experiences to text.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>

Writing Standards

Text Types and Purposes

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>W.7.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>
<p>W.7.1a Organize information and ideas around a topic to plan and prepare to write.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3 Lessons 21 (255), 30 (365), 34 (401)</p>
<p>W.7.1b Introduce claim(s), acknowledge alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 3 (49), 4 (61), 6 (83), 11 (135), 12 (145), 15 (179), 17 (207), 21 (255), 23 (279), 26 (319), 28 (341), 30 (365), 31 (375), 32 (385), 33 (395), 34 (401)</p>
<p>W.7.1c Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8 (105), 11 (135), 12 (145), 15 (179), 17 (207), 21 (255), 30 (365), 33 (395), 34 (401)</p>
<p>W.7.1d Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), reasons, and evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16 (193), 17 (207), 21 (255), 30 (365), 33 (395)</p>
<p>W.7.1e Establish and maintain a formal style.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 29 (365) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 22 (265), 30 (365), 33 (395), 36DD (420)</p>

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<p>W.7.1f Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 28 (341), 33 (395)</p>
<p>W.7.1g With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD (274), 30DD (366), 32 (377), 32DD (383), 33 (385), 34 (391), 34DD (397) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21 (275), 31 (387), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413), 35DD (419) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD (133), 21 (255), 22 (265), 30 (365), 30DD (372), 33 (395), 34 (401), 35 (409), 36 (415), 36DD (420) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32 (379), 33 (387), 34 (395), 37 (413), 37DD (416)</p>
<p>W.7.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>
<p>W.7.2a Organize information and ideas around a topic to plan and prepare to write.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3 Lessons 21 (255), 30 (365), 34 (401)</p>
<p>W.7.2b Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (87), 8 (109), 15 (209), 23 (299), 24 (309), 33 (401) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28 (341), 30 (359), 33 (387), 35 (401)</p>

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formatting, graphics, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	
W.7.2c Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.	Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4 (61), 6 (87), 15 (209), 16 (221), 33 (401) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 33 (387), 35 (401)
W.7.2d Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.	Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 18DD (252), 20 (265), 24DD (319), 26DD (337) Grade 7, Module 4, Lesson 33 (387)
W.7.2e Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 5DD (83), 6DD (96), 15DD (218), 20 (265), 23DD (307), 35DD (419) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 9DD (123), 10DD (133) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 33 (387), 37DD (429)
W.7.2f Establish and maintain a formal style.	Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 20 (265), 23DD (307), 28 (355), 28DD (363), 29 (365) Grade 7, Module 4, Lesson 33 (387)
W.7.2g Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.	Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4 (61), 32 (395) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28 (341), 33 (387)
W.7.2h	Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD (274), 30DD (366), 32 (377), 32DD (383), 33 (385), 34 (391), 34DD (397)

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21 (275), 31 (387), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413), 35DD (419)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD (133), 21 (255), 22 (265), 30 (365), 30DD (372), 33 (395), 34 (401), 35 (409), 36 (415), 36DD (420)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32 (379), 33 (387), 34 (395), 37 (413), 37DD (416)</p>
<p>W.7.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4</p> <p><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.</p>
<p>W.7.3a Organize information and ideas around a topic to plan and prepare to write.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3 Lessons 21 (255), 30 (365), 34 (401)</p>
<p>W.7.3b Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6 (81), 7 (93), 8 (99), 9 (111), 29 (347), 30 (359)</p>
<p>W.7.3c Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6 (81), 7 (93), 12 (151), 17 (211), 21 (257), 25 (301), 27 (325), 28 (337), 29 (347), 30 (359)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>W.7.3d Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 28 (337), 30 (359) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD (164), 12DD (178), 18DD (252), 24DD (319), 26DD (337) Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 16 (193)</p>
<p>W.7.3e Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 3DD (57), 4DD (68), 6 (81), 7 (93), 15DD (196), 17 (211), 25 (301), 27 (325), 28 (337), 29 (347), 30 (359), 34DD (397) Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 1 (25)</p>
<p>W.7.3f Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 29 (347), 30 (359)</p>
<p>W.7.3g With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 22DD (274), 30DD (366), 32 (377), 32DD (383), 33 (385), 34 (391), 34DD (397) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 21 (275), 31 (387), 33 (401), 34 (407), 35 (413), 35DD (419) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10DD (133), 21 (255), 22 (265), 30 (365), 30DD (372), 33 (395), 34 (401), 35 (409), 36 (415), 36DD (420) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 32 (379), 33 (387), 34 (395), 37 (413), 37DD (416)</p>
<p>W.7.4 Use digital tools and resources to produce and publish writing, link to and cite sources, and to interact and collaborate with others.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 33 (395) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 34 (395), 35 (401), 36 (407), 37 (413)</p>

Writing Standards

Research

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>W.7.5</p> <p>Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2 (37), 16 (221)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (41), 4 (71), 5 (85), 8 (117), 9 (131), 11 (161), 12 (167), 26 (321), 27 (331), 34 (395)</p>
<p>W.7.6</p> <p>Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2 (37), 16 (221)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (41), 5 (85), 8 (117), 9 (131), 10 (145), 11 (161), 25DD (319), 26 (321), 26DD (329), 27 (331), 27DD (339), 33 (387), 34 (395), 35 (401), 36 (407)</p>

Speaking & Listening Standards

Collaboration and Communication

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>SL.7.1</p> <p>Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4</p> <p><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.</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>SL.7.1a Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7 (93), 18 (221), 24 (289) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7 (99), 19 (255), 30 (377) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11 (135), 29 (355), 37 (423) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27 (331), 31 (369), 38 (419)</p>
<p>SL.7.1b Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2 (35), 5 (71), 7 (93), 18 (221), 24 (289), 30 (359) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7 (99), 19 (255), 30 (377) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11 (135), 29 (355), 37 (423) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27 (331), 31 (369), 38 (419)</p>
<p>SL.7.1c Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7 (93), 18 (221), 24 (289) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7 (99), 19 (255), 30 (377) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10 (127), 11 (135), 17 (207), 19 (233), 29 (355), 37 (423) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27 (331), 31 (369), 38 (419)</p>
<p>SL.7.1d Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lesson 7 (93) Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 30 (377) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 29 (355), 37 (423) Grade 7, Module 4, Lesson 31 (369)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>SL.7.2 Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text, or issue under study.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1 (23), 2 (35), 8 (99), 9 (111), 10 (125), 13 (163), 14 (175), 15 (187), 16 (199), 20 (245), 24 (289)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1 (23), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (87), 8 (109), 9 (125), 10 (139), 17 (233), 18 (243), 20 (265), 21 (275), 23 (299), 24 (309), 26 (331), 27 (341), 28 (355), 29 (365)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (83), 7 (93), 8 (105), 9 (117), 10 (127), 12 (145), 13 (159), 14 (169), 15 (179), 25 (307), 26 (319)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (41), 3 (59), 4 (71), 5 (85), 9 (131), 10 (145), 13 (179), 14 (193), 15 (207), 16 (223), 17 (235), 19 (257), 21 (277), 22 (285), 24 (303)</p>
<p>SL.7.3 Delineate a speaker’s argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8 (105), 19 (233), 21 (255), 22 (265), 23 (279), 35 (409)</p>

Speaking & Listening

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>SL.7.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lesson 26 (317)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 12 (167), 15 (209)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 14 (193), 17 (235), 20 (267), 21 (277), 22 (285)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>SL.7.5 Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 15 (207), 20 (267), 21 (277), 22 (285)</p>

Language Standards

Conventions of Standard English

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking; demonstrate proficiency within the 6–8 grammar continuum.</p>	<p>See L7.1a-w below for alignment to grammar continuum</p>
<p>L.7.1a Continue to ensure subject/verb agreement.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 3.</p>
<p>L.7.1b Explain the function of verbals (such as <i>gerunds</i> or <i>participles</i>).</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8. Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1DD (37), 2DD (55), 7DD (114), 8DD (128), 13DD (189), 14DD (203), 16DD (233), 21DD (284), 23DD (300), 24DD (309),</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.1c Form and use verbs in active & passive voice.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8.</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 10–11</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2 Lessons 16 (189), 21DD (252), 23DD (279), 24DD (290), 25 (293), 25DD (303), 26 (305), 26DD (312), 32 (371), 37 (417)</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 26DD (325), 27DD (332)</p>
<p>L.7.1d Form and use indicative, imperative, interrogative, conditional moods.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8.</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 2DD (49), 5DD (85), 8DD (119), 9DD (131), 10 (133), 21 (251)</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14DD (175), 15DD (187), 16DD (195), 37 (417),</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 11DD (155), 13DD (179), 16 (201), 16DD (207), 17DD (216), 23DD (285), 25DD (312), 26DD (322), 27 (325), 27DD (331), 29DD (349), 31 (363), 36DD (410)</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 27 (327), 32DD (374)</p>
<p>L.7.1e Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in voice and mood.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8.</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 8DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2 Lessons 14DD (175), 15 (177), 15DD (187), 16 (189), 25 (293), 26 (305), 37 (417)</p> <p>Module 8, Lesson 16 (201), 16DD (207), 17DD (216), 27 (325), 29DD (349), 31 (363), 36 (405), 36DD (410)</p>
<p>L.7.1f Form and use transitive/intransitive verbs.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address transitive or intransitive verbs.</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.1g Form and use compound adjectives.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address compound adjectives.</p>
<p>L.7.1h Use adverbs that modify adjectives.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grades 2–4.</p>
<p>L.7.1i Use adverbs that modify adverbs.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grades 2–4.</p>
<p>L.7.1j Continue to produce complete sentences, while recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-on sentences.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 4.</p>
<p>L.7.1k Choose among simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 18DD (229), 19DD (241), 22DD (274), 30DD (366) Module 2 Lessons 20DD (272), 26DD (337) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21 (255), 23DD (290), 24DD (304), 27DD (338), 28DD (351), 30 (365), 30DD (372), 33 (395), 35 (409), 36DD (420), 37DD (429)</p>
<p>L.7.1l Ensure that pronouns are in the proper case (<i>subjective, objective, possessive</i>).</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 2 Lessons 4DD (81), 5DD (94), 13DD (185), 34DD (373), 35DD (380) Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 19 (237), 24DD (294), 31 (351), 35DD (386), 36 (389), 37 (397), 37DD (402), 38 (403) Grade 6, Module 4 Lesson 29 (323)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.1m Use intensive pronouns.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 2 Lessons 18DD (232), 19DD (244), 20DD (255), 27 (311), 34DD (373), 35DD (380)</p>
<p>L.7.1n Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 4DD (73), 5DD (87), 8 (115), 8DD (123), 9DD (134), 10DD (147), 15 (195), 15DD (201), 19 (237), 31 (351), 35DD (386), 36 (389), 37 (397), 37DD (402), 38 (403) Grade 6, Module 4, Lessons 12 (153), 22 (257), 29 (323)</p>
<p>L.7.1o Recognize and correct vague pronouns.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 2, Lesson 27 (311) Grade 6, Module 3 Lesson 5DD (87) Grade 6, Module 4, Lessons 6DD (91), 8DD (114), 11DD (150), 12 (X153X), 12DD (161), 22 (257), 27 (307), 27DD (313), 29DD (328)</p>
<p>L.7.1p Continue to ensure pronoun-antecedent agreement.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 4DD (73), 5DD (87), 35DD (386) Grade 6, Module 4, Lessons 6DD (91), 8DD (114), 11DD (150), 12DD (161)</p>
<p>L.7.1q Recognize and apply the nominative case and objective case.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 2 Lessons 4DD (81), 5DD (94) Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 24DD (294), 35DD (386), 37DD (402) Grade 6, Module 4 Lesson 29 (323)</p>

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<p>L.7.1r Continue to correctly use frequently confused words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 4.</p>
<p>L.7.1s Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.</p>	<p>Grade 4, Module 1, Lessons 11DD (139), 25DD (310), 32DD (383) Grade 4, Module 2 Lessons 11DD (164), 12DD (159), 18DD (252), 20 (265), 24DD (319) Grade 4, Module 3, Lessons 14DD (176), 15DD (190), 16DD (204), 17DD (216), 21DD (263)</p>
<p>L.7.1t Place phrases and clauses within a sentence and recognize/correct misplaced and dangling modifiers.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2 Lessons 16DD (230), 20 (245), 21DD (284), 30DD (384)</p>
<p>L.7.1u Form and use indirect/direct objects.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address indirect or direct objects.</p>
<p>L.7.1v Recognize variations from standard English in their own and others' writing and speaking.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 1, Lessons 3DD (57), 23DD (285), 24DD (297), 25 (301), 29 (347), 30DD (366), 32DD (383), 33 (385), 34 (385), 34DD (397) Grade 6, Module 2, Lesson 23DD (307) Grade 6, Module 3, Lessons 9 (117), 18 (219)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.1w Identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 1, Lessons 3DD (57), 23DD (285), 24DD (297), 25 (301), 29 (347), 30DD (366), 32DD (383), 33 (385), 34 (407), 34DD (397) Grade 6 Module 2, Lesson 23DD Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 9 (133), 18</p>
<p>L.7.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.</p>	<p>See L.7.2a-i below for alignment to conventions continuum</p>
<p>L.7.2a Use punctuation to set off nonrestrictive/parenthetical elements.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 6. Grade 6, Module 2, Lessons 25DD (303), 27DD (316), 28DD (325), 31DD (348), 32DD (357), 33DD (364), 34DD (373)</p>
<p>L.7.2b Use a comma to separate coordinate adjectives.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 23DD (285), 26DD (323), 28DD (344), 34DD (397) Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 26DD (337) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2DD (55), 5DD (96), 6DD (105), 9DD (141), 33 (387), 35 (401), 36 (407), 37 (413), 37DD (416)</p>
<p>L.7.2c Use punctuation to indicate a pause or break.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8. Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1DD (33), 3DD (60), 5DD (83), 35DD (403)</p>
<p>L.7.2d Use an ellipsis to indicate an omission.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 8. Grade 8, Module 2 Lessons 32DD (378), 33DD (388)</p>

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<p>L.7.2e Use a semicolon to link two or more closely related independent clauses.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address semicolons.</p>
<p>L.7.2f Use a colon to introduce a list or quotation.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address colons.</p>
<p>L.7.2g Apply hyphen conventions.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address hyphen conventions.</p>
<p>L.7.2h Consistently apply conventional rules to spell words correctly.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 20 Module 4 Lesson 37DD</p>
<p>L.7.2i Continue to consult reference materials as needed to check and correct spellings.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 3.</p>

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>
<p>L.7.3a Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 3DD (57), 4DD (68), 9DD (121), 15DD (196), 28DD (344), 34DD (397) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 5DD (83), 15DD (218), 20 (265), 23DD (307), 35DD (419) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 4DD (69), 7DD (101), 8DD (113), 9DD (123), 10DD (133), 21 (255), 28DD (351), 30 (365), 33 (395), 35 (409), 36DD (420) Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 18DD (254), 19DD (265), 20DD (274), 31DD (377), 32DD (384), 33 (387), 37DD (416)</p>

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Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.4 Determine and/or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies: context clues, word parts, word relationships, and reference materials.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2 (35), 2DD (44), 3DD (57), 5 (71), 5DD (78), 6DD (90), 8DD (107), 10DD (135), 11DD (149), 13DD (172), 16DD (208), 17DD (220), 20 (245), 20DD (253), 24DD (297) 27DD (333), 28 (337), 29DD (356), 31DD (376) Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1 (23), 2DD (47), 3DD (58), 4DD (71), 7DD (106), 8DD (122), 10DD (135), 13DD (191), 16DD (208), 17DD (241), 19DD (264), 20DD (253), 22DD (295), 24 (309), 25DD (329), 27DD (352), 28 (355), 29DD (374), 31DD (394) Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1 (23), 1DD (34), 2DD (46), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 5DD (79), 11DD (142), 15 (179) 18 (219), 19DD (242), 20 (245), 20DD (253), 26 (319), 29DD (362), 32 (385), 32DD (391), 34DD (407)</p>

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	Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3 (59), 3DD (69), 4DD (82), 6 (99), 7DD (114), 8DD (128), 9 (131), 10DD (158), 15DD (219), 16DD (233), 17DD (244), 18 (247), 18DD (254), 21DD (284), 24DD (309), 21DD (284), 23DD (300), 24DD (309), 26 (321), 28DD (347), 30DD (366), 33DD (393)
<p>L.7.5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language and nuances in word meanings.</p>	See L.7.5a-c
<p>L.7.5a Interpret figures of speech in context based on grade 7 reading and content.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1DD (31), 12DD (159), 14DD (184), 21DD (264)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 3 (49)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1 (25), 2 (37), 3 (49), 4 (61), 5 (73), 6 (83), 6DD (90), 9 (117), 22DD (275)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 7 (107), 12DD (173), 14DD (203)</p>
<p>L.7.5b Distinguish among the connotations of words with similar denotations.</p>	<p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 5DD (78), 27DD (333)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD (71), 17DD (241)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 5 (73), 8 (105), 18DD (229), 25DD (316)</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1DD (37), 6 (99), 13DD (189), 16DD (233), 28DD (347), 29DD (356)</p>

North Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>L.7.6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; develop vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.</p>	<p>Grade 7 Modules 1-4 <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.</p>