



**WIT &
WISDOM®**

Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

Illinois Learning
Standards for English
Language Arts (2010)
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 New Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts Incorporating the Common Core standards 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 New Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts Incorporating the Common Core 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 Standards for Literature

Key Ideas and Details

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 2, 3, 3DD, 4, 11, 11DD, 12, 13, 13DD, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 29 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 2, 12, 15, 16, 17 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 5, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 36
RL.K.2 With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 4, 12, 15, 18, 21 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 3, 6, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20, 24, 27 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2, 3, 17, 20
RL.K.3 With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 11, 17, 20 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24DD, 2, 26, 27, 28, 29, 29DD, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3, 18, 19

Reading Standards for Literature

Craft and Structure

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.K.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 3, 3DD, 4, 12DD, 17, 20DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 15 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 27, 28 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3, 16, 18, 19, 20, 23
RL.K.5 Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 12, 17, 30 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 5, 7, 13, 18, 24, 29 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 7, 12, 18, 22, 27 Kindergarten Module 4 Lesson 32
RL.K.6 With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 1

Reading Standards for Literature

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.K.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 11, 11DD, 12, 13, 14, 15DD, 17, 17DD, 18, 18DD, 19, 20, 21 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 1DD, 14, 15, 21, 22, 27 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 13, 15, 16, 20, 27 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3, 5, 17, 18, 19, 25

RL.K.9 With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 13, 16, 17, 23, 24, 27.
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Reading Standards for Literature

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.K.10 Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	Kindergarten Modules 1, 2, 3, and 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.

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Key Ideas and Details

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 1DD, 2, 3, 3DD, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7DD, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 23, 23DD, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36.
RI.K.2 With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 24, 27 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11

	<p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 67, 8, ,10, 23, 24, 28, 29.</p>
<p>RI.K.3 With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 8, 9, 23, 23DD, 24, 24DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 3</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 10, 11, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 24</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Craft and Structure

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<p>RI.K.4 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 1DD, 2, 3, 3DD, 4, 6, 6DD, 9, 23, 25</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 5, 8, 9</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4, 5, 10, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 30</p>
<p>RI.K.5 Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 23, 24</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 2</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 20, 21</p>
<p>RI.K.6 Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each in presenting the ideas or information in a text.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 35, L8, L23, 25</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 2, 20, 21</p>

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.K.7 With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person, place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 23 L23DD, 24, 24DD, 25, 25DD, 26, 27 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 32
RI.K.8 With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 7, 24 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 13
RI.K.9 With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 6, 8, 23, 24, 25 Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 2 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3, 8, 14, 27, 31, 32

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

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Reading Standards: Foundational Skills

Print Concepts

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RF.K.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.	General Statement Regarding Foundational Skills in <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with an explicit and systematic foundational skills program. Geodes®, our accessible and information-rich books for emerging and developing readers, allow students to apply their growing decoding skills while building knowledge on topics that align with <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> modules.
RF.K.1.a Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.	See Indicator RF.K.1 above.
RF.K.1.b Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.	See Indicator RF.K.1 above.
RF.K.1.c Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.	See Indicator RF.K.1 above.
RF.K.1.d Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.	See Indicator RF.K.1 above.

Reading Standards: Foundational Skills

Phonological Awareness

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RF.K.2 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> intentionally does not address foundational skills within their core materials. Please see the General Statement above regarding recommendations for foundational skills instruction and the use of <i>Geodes</i> to support critical foundational skills instruction.

RF.K.2.a Recognize and produce rhyming words.	Supplemental material is necessary to address producing rhyming words. The following lesson addresses recognizing rhyming words. Kindergarten Module 1 Lesson L26
RF.K.2.b Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words.	See Indicator RF.K.2 above.
RF.K.2.c Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.	See Indicator RF.K.2 above.
RF.K.2.d Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel consonant, or CVC) words. (This does not include CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.)	See Indicator RF.K.2 above.
RF.K.2.e Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.	See Indicator RF.K.2 above.

Reading Standards: Foundational Skills

Phonics and Word Recognition

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RF.K.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> intentionally does not address foundational skills within their core materials. Please see the General Statement above regarding recommendations for foundational skills instruction and the use of <i>Geodes</i> to support critical foundational skills instruction.
RF.K.3.a Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary sound or many of the most frequent sounds for each consonant.	See Indicator RF.K.3 above.

RF.K.3.b Associate the long and short sounds with common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.	Supplemental material is necessary to address this standard thoroughly. See Indicator RF.K.3 above. Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 4
RF.K.3.c Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g., <i>the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does</i>).	See Indicator RF.K.3 above.
RF.K.3.d Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.	See Indicator RF.K.3 above.

Reading Standards: Foundational Skills

Fluency

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RF.K.4 Read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35

Writing Standards

Text Types and Purposes

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.K.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., My favorite book is...).	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 28DD, 31 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35
W.K.2 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/ explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 22.DD, 25DD, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 28DD, 31 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 4, 6, 8, 19
W.K.3 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, to tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lesson 19 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28DD, 30, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 5, 6, 9, 12, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 4, 6

Writing Standards

Production and Distribution of Writing

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.K.5 With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.	Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 32DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 34
W.K.6 With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2, 4, 5, 6 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 14, 29

Writing Standards

Research to Build and Present Knowledge

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.K.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).	Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 14, 28, 29 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2, 13, 17, 32
W.K.8 With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 4, 5, 7DD, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36

Speaking and Listening Standards**Comprehension and Collaboration**

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
SL.K.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.	See SL.K.1a–b below.
SL.K.1.a Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 9, 16, 17, 19, 21
SL.K.1.b Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 6, 16, 22, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 28.
SL.K.2 Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 3, 7, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36.
SL.K.3 Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 4, 6, 7 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 7, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22

Speaking and Listening Standards

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
SL.K.4 Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 8DD, L9, 9DD, 10DD, 17, 18DD, 23, 24DD, 26DD, 28DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 9DD, 12DD, 15, 17, 19 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 32, 33, 35, 36
SL.K.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.	Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
SL.K.6 Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 10, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 16, 17, 20, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 15, 35

Language Standards

Conventions of Standard English

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.K.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	See L.K.1a–f below.

L.K.1.a Print many upper- and lowercase letters.	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 5DD, 6, 6DD, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 27, 28, 31, 32
L.K.1.b Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2DD, 4DD, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 20DD, 21DD, 23DD, 28DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1DD, 13DD, 15DD, 16, 17, 17DD, 20, 21, 23DD, 25, 26, 26DD, 28, 29, 30 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3DD
L.K.1.c Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes).	Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 20DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 23DD, 25DD, 26DD, 30
L.K.1.d Understand and use question words (interrogatives) (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 1, 1DD, 6, 6DD, 11, 11DD, 17, 23, 23DD, 29 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1, 18, 29 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1, 2, 7, 12, 17, 18, 22 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1, 19, 16, 22, 28
L.K.1.e Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 24DD, 26DD, 27DD, 28DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 8, 10, 11, 12, 12DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 8DD, 21DD
L.K.1.f Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 5, 5DD, 7DD, 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 13DD, 14DD, 15, 15DD, 19DD, 26, 27DD, 28DD, 30DD, 31DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 3DD, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 10DD, 11, 12, 12DD, 14DD, 15, 16, 16DD, 17, 17DD, 19, 20, 21, 21DD, 22, 23, 23DD, 27, 30, 31, 31DD, 32, 32DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 29DD, 30DD

	Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2, 4, 4DD, 5, 6, 8DD, 11, 12, 13, 13DD, 21DD, 24DD, 25, 25DD, 27DD, 28DD, 29DD, 30, 30DD, 31, 32DD, 33, 34, 34DD, 35, 35DD
L.K.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	See L.K.2a–d below.
L.K.2.a Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I.	Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4DD, 5, 5DD, 6, 7DD, 9DD, 11DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 24DD, 25DD, 27DD, 30, 31, 32DD, 33, 34, 35
L.K.2.b Recognize and name end punctuation.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 7, 24 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 11, 21 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 18DD, 20DD, 21 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 12, 28DD, 29DD, 30DD, 31, 32DD, 34
L.K.2.c Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 17DD, 18, 19, 21, 22, 22DD, 23, 24, 25DD, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 4, 5, 5DD, 6, 6DD, 7, 8DD, 10DD, 11, 12, 16, 17, 17DD, 22, 23, 27, 28, 28DD, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lesson 4 Kindergarten Module 4 Lesson 36
L.K.2.d Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 17DD, 18, 19, 21, 22, 22DD, 23, 24, 25DD, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 4, 5, 5DD, 6, 6DD, 7, 8DD, 10DD, 11, 12, 16, 17, 17DD, 22, 23, 27, 28, 28DD, 31, 32 Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 16, 17, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28, 29

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.K.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.	See L.K.4a–b below.
L.K.4.a Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., knowing duck is a bird and learning the verb to duck).	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 2DD, 4, 6DD, 9, 12DD, 20DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 14, 18DD, 25DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lesson 21DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 5DD, 16DD, 20DD.
L.K.4.b Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., <i>-ed</i> , <i>-s</i> , <i>re-</i> , <i>un-</i> , <i>pre-</i> , <i>-ful</i> , <i>-less</i>) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lesson 20DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lesson 20DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1DD, 6DD, 27DD Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 14DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 22DD, 23
L.K.5 With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.	See L.K.5a–d below.
L.K.5.a Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.	Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 13DD Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 4DD, 7DD, 9DD, 11, 12, 24DD, 27DD, 29DD Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 8DD, 12, 19DD, 27 Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1DD, 31DD

<p>L.K.5.b Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms).</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 11DD, 26DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 3DD, 12DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 2DD, 3DD, 9DD, 10DD, 11DD, 18DD, 23</p>
<p>L.K.5.c Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 11DD, 13DD, 18DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 2DD, 4DD, 7DD, 9DD, 11, 12, 13DD, 27DD, 29DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 2, 4, 7, 8, 8DD, 10DD, 12, 19DD, 24DD, 27</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 1DD, 11, 12, 19, 32</p>
<p>L.K.5.d Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., <i>walk, march, strut, prance</i>) by acting out the meanings.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Module 1 Lesson 13</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 2 Lessons 15DD, 19DD, 26</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 3 Lessons 1DD, 12DD, 14DD, 17DD, 22DD</p> <p>Kindergarten Module 4 Lessons 3DD, 6DD, 7DD, 12DD, 16, 21, 23DD</p>
<p>L.K.6 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.</p>	<p>Kindergarten Modules 1, 2, 3, and 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>