



**WIT &
WISDOM®**

Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

South Carolina College-
and Career-Ready
English Language Arts
Standards (2015)
Alignment 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 South Carolina College- and Career-Ready English Language Arts 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 South Carolina College- and Career-Ready English Language Arts 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)

Overarching Expectations (OE) – Grade K

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>ELA.K.OE.1</p> <p>Read and write for a variety of purposes, including academic and personal, for extended periods of time.</p>	<p>Grade K 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><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> equips students with a flexible yet predictable process for deep reading of complex texts. A stage-based design comprised of Content Stages and Content Framing Questions guide students' daily work of encountering, understanding, and analyzing complex text. The predictable structure of the Content Stages is applied to all types of texts – literary, informational, visual, and auditory. This progression consists of five Content Stages: Wonder, Organize, Reveal, Distill, and Know. Each lesson begins and ends with a corresponding Content Framing Question that functions as an umbrella for the text-dependent tasks and questions in the lesson. Framing each lesson with a familiar question helps students build the repeatable habits of mind that experienced readers use across all content areas to understand challenging new texts. The discussions, text-dependent tasks, and TDQs within each Content Stage serve a distinct purpose, illuminating key close reading habits.</p> <p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> averages at least twenty minutes of writing per lesson. Through explicit learning-to-write instruction, teachers gradually release responsibility for a specific writing strategy through a series of lessons. As with the Content Stages for reading comprehension, one or more Craft Stages shape each writing lesson. This Craft State progression consists of five Examine, Experiment, Execute, Excel. In arcs of writing lessons, students begin by examining high-quality exemplars of the taught craft. Then they receive progressive direct instruction in the skills necessary to practice and master the craft. As is true with the Content Stages, <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> delineates each Craft Stage with a Craft Question.</p>

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>ELA.K.OE.2</p> <p>Acquire, refine, and share knowledge through a variety of multimedia literacies to include written, oral, visual, digital, and interactive texts.</p>	<p>Grade K 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><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> core texts are nationally published works of fiction and nonfiction selected to build students' knowledge of rich topics in literature, history, social studies, science, and the arts. In addition, each module includes visual art, videos, and multimedia texts. <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> texts represent award winners (e.g., Caldecott, Newbery, Coretta Scott King, ALA Notable) and showcase diverse viewpoints and genres, including essays, speeches, articles, interviews, memoirs, poetry, novels, stories, science fiction, historical fiction, and literary nonfiction. The learning design of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> allows teachers and students to spend ample time working closely with content-rich, complex texts, encouraging careful reading and rereading.</p>
<p>ELA.K.OE.3</p> <p>Make inferences to support comprehension.</p>	<p>Grade K, Module 1 Lessons 5, 7, 9, 24, 27</p> <p>Grade K, Module 2 Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 11</p> <p>Grade K, Module 3 Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25</p> <p>Grade K, Module 4 Lessons 3, 4, 6</p>
<p>ELA.K.OE.4</p> <p>Collaborate with others and use active listening skills. ELA</p>	<p>Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27</p> <p>Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 1, 3, 7, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, Module 4, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36</p>

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.OE.5 Cite evidence to explain and justify reasoning.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 1, 3, 7, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32 Grade K, 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 Grade K, Module 4, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36
ELA.K.OE.6 Create quality work by adhering to an accepted format.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 22DD, 25DD, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28DD, 30, 31, 32 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 30DD Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35

Foundations of Literacy (F)

ELA.F.1: Demonstrate early phonological awareness to basic phonemic awareness in spoken words.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.F.1.1 Count the number of words in a spoken sentence.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

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<p>ELA.K.F.1.2 Recognize alliterative spoken words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.1.3 Recognize and produce pairs of rhyming words and distinguish them from non-rhyming pairs using pictures and/or spoken words.</p>	<p>Grade K, Module 1, Lesson 26</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.1.4 Count, segment, and blend phonemes in single syllable spoken words made up of three or four phonemes and compound words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.1.5 Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single syllable spoken words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.1.6 Orally identify initial, medial, and final phonemes in two- and three phoneme (VC or CVC) words, excluding CVC words ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>

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ELA.K.F.1.7 Delete, add, and substitute the initial or final phonemes of a spoken CVC word.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

Foundations of Literacy (F)

ELA.F.2: Demonstrate knowledge of the organization and basic concepts of print.

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ELA.K.F.2.1 Locate a book's front cover, back cover, title page, and where to begin reading.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 23, 24 Grade K, Module 2, Lesson 2 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 20, 21
ELA.K.F.2.2 Demonstrate one-to-one correspondence by pointing to words, noting that there are spaces between words.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.
ELA.K.F.2.3 Follow words from left to right, top to bottom by returning to the beginning of the next line, and page by page.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

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ELA.K.F.2.4 Identify the beginning and end of a sentence by locating the capital letter and end punctuation.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 7, 24 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 11, 21 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 18DD, 20DD, 21 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 12, 28DD, 29DD, 30DD, 32DD 31, 32DD, 34DD
ELA.K.F.2.5 Identify letters and words within sentences.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

Foundations of Literacy (F)

ELA.F.3: Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding and encoding words.

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ELA.K.F.3.1 Identify, name, and form all upper and lowercase letters with automaticity.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

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<p>ELA.K.F.3.2</p> <p>Compare and contrast letters based on similarities and differences, including name, shape, sound, and approach strokes for writing.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.3</p> <p>Produce one-to-one letter-sound correspondences for each consonant with automaticity.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.4</p> <p>Identify the vowel and produce the vowel sound in a printed syllable or word when decoding:</p>	<p>See ELA.K.F.3.4a-c below.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.4a</p> <p>in a closed syllable (VC: at; CVC: bat);</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.4b</p> <p>in an open syllable (e.g. he, so, me, go, hi); and</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>

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<p>ELA.K.F.3.4c in a vowel- consonant-e (VCe) syllable with prompting and support.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.5 Blend letter sounds to decode vowel-consonant (VC) and consonant vowel-consonant (CVC) words in isolation and in text. ELA.K.F.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.6 Delete, add, and substitute the initial, middle, and end letters in CVC words to build or make new words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.7 Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in words.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.3.8 Decode and encode words using:</p>	<p>See K.F.3.8a-e below.</p>

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ELA.K.F.3.8a VC;	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
ELA.K.F.3.8b CV;	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
ELA.K.F.3.8c CVC;	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
ELA.K.F.3.8d consonant digraphs (ch, sh, th, wh); and	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>

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ELA.K.F.3.8e combination (e.g., qu).	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

Foundations of Literacy (F)

ELA.F.4: Read and reread grade-appropriate texts with accuracy and expression at an appropriate rate to support comprehension.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.F.4.1 Read high-frequency words commonly found in grade-appropriate text with accuracy and automaticity.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.
ELA.K.F.4.2 Read texts orally with accuracy and expression.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.
ELA.K.F.4.3 Read texts by:	See ELA.K.F.4.3a-c below.

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<p>ELA.K.F.4.3a using letter-sound knowledge to segment and blend sounds together;</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.4.3b decoding the word by analogy; and</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>
<p>ELA.K.F.4.3c using visuals from the text to support decoding and confirm recognition.</p>	<p><i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.</p>

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.1: Evaluate and critique key literary elements that enhance and deepen meaning within and across texts.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.1.1 Identify and describe the main character(s), setting, and events that move the plot forward.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 11, 17, 20 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24DD, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 29DD, 30, 31 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 3, 18, 19
ELA.K.AOR.1.2 Identify forms of figurative language to include alliteration and onomatopoeia, as well as descriptive words and rhyme in text.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address identifying forms of figurative language in Grade K.

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.2: Evaluate and critique the development of themes and central ideas within and across texts.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.2.1 Retell familiar stories using main story elements in a literary text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 4, 12, 15, 18, 21 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 3, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20, 24, 27 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 2, 3, 17, 20

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.2.2 Retell familiar texts by identifying the topic and supporting details in an informational text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 24, 27 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 Grade K, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 23, 24, 28, 29

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.3: Evaluate how an author’s choice of point of view or perspective shapes style and meaning within and across literary texts.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.3.1 Identify and explain the roles of the author and the illustrator of a story.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 Grade K, Module 2, Lesson 1 Grade K, Module 3, Lesson 2

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.4: Evaluate and critique how an author’s perspective and purpose shape style and meaning within and across informational texts.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.4.1 Identify and explain the roles of the author and the illustrator in an informational text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 23, 25 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 2, 20, 21

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.5: Evaluate and critique how an author uses words, phrases, and text structures to craft text.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.5.1 Identify and describe the basic characteristics of literary text to include narrative, drama, and poetry.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 12, 17, 30 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 1, 5, 7, 13, 18, 24, 29 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 7, 12, 18, 22, 27 Grade K, Module 4, Lesson 32
ELA.K.AOR.5.2 Identify and use text features such as titles, headings, subheadings, illustrations, and/or photographs to predict and confirm the topic of informational texts.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 24, 27 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 Grade K, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 23, 24, 28, 29
ELA.K.AOR.5.3 Identify an author's opinion about a topic in an informational text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 7, 24 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 13

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.6: Summarize and paraphrase text to support comprehension and understanding.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.6.1 Retell a text orally to enhance comprehension:	See ELA.K.AOR.6.1a-b below.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.6.1a include main character(s), setting, and important events for a story; and	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 11, 17, 20 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24DD, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 29DD, 30, 31 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 3, 18, 19
ELA.K.AOR.6.1b include topic and supporting details for an informational text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 24, 27 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 Grade K, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 23, 24, 28, 29

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.7: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.7.1 Determine the meaning of known and unknown words and phrases, choosing from an array of strategies:	See ELA.K.AOR.7.1a-b below.
ELA.K.AOR.7.1a ask and answer questions about words and phrases to determine their meaning; and	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 1DD, 2, 3, 3DD, 4, 6, 6DD, 9, 23, 25 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 5, 8, 9 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 4, 5, 10, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 24, 25, 26, 30

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.7.1b use words and phrases acquired through conversations, being read to, and responding to texts.	Kindergarten 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.

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.8: Analyze word relationships and nuances in word meanings within literary and informational texts.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.8.1 Determine the effectiveness of an author's use of words and phrases in literary, informational, and multimedia texts:	See ELA.K.AOR.8.1a-c below.
ELA.K.AOR.8.1a sort words and phrases into categories (e.g., apple, fruit and carrot, vegetable) to develop an understanding of word relationships;	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 6DD, 8DD, 9DD, 10DD, 13DD Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 4DD, 7DD, 9DD, 11, 12, 24DD, 27DD, 29DD Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 8DD, 12DD, 19DD, 27DD Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1DD, 30DD
ELA.K.AOR.8.1b deepen understanding of words by relating words to their opposites; and	Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 26DD Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 3DD, 12DD Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 2DD, 3DD, 9DD, 10DD, 11DD, 18DD, 23

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.8.1c identify and explain descriptive words and phrases that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 1. Grade 1, Module 3, Lessons 15, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 31 Grade 1, Module 4, Lessons 20, 25

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.9: Build and apply a range of academic vocabulary, as well as grade level appropriate morphology to apply to reading, writing, and speaking.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.9.1 Use knowledge of morphemes to extract meaning from oral language in grade-appropriate content.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> is designed to pair with a high-quality foundational skills program for instruction in early literacy skills. Additionally, skills learned in the paired foundational skills program are reinforced and practiced through the use of <i>Geodes</i> as well as in the Foundational Skills Connection sections of the <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> lessons, providing both reminders and application of skills in the core materials.

Applications of Reading (AOR)

ELA.AOR.10: Evaluate and critique multimedia presentations of a text or subject, including their impact on an audience.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.AOR.10.1 Describe the relationship between visuals (e.g., illustrations, photographs) and the text.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 11, 11DD, 12, 13, 14, 15DD, 17, 18, 18DD, 19, 20, 21 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 1, 1DD, 14, 15, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 13, 15, 16, 20, 27 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 3, 5, 17, 18, 19, 25

Research (R)

ELA.R.1: Use critical thinking skills to investigate, evaluate, and synthesize a variety of sources to obtain and refine knowledge.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.R.1.1 Ask and answer questions (who, what, when, where, why, and how) about print and non-print sources to obtain and refine knowledge.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 4, 6, 7 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 7, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 Grade K, Module 4, Lesson 7
ELA.K.R.1.2 Instruction of this indicator begins in second grade.	n/a
ELA.K.R.1.3 Instruction of this indicator begins in fourth grade.	n/a
ELA.K.R.1.4 Instruction of this indicator begins in fourth grade.	n/a
ELA.K.R.1.5 Instruction of this indicator begins in fourth grade.	n/a

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.1: Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.1.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to state a topic and communicate an opinion and a supporting reason.	Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 28DD, 31 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.2: Write informative/expository texts to analyze and explain complex ideas and information.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.2.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory pieces about a topic with supporting details.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 1, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 22DD, 25DD, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 28DD, 31 Grade K, 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 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 4, 6, 8, 19

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences using effective techniques.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.3.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or linked events in a logical order.	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 19 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 28DD, 30, 31, 32 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 4, 6

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.4: Demonstrate command of standard English grammar and conventions when writing.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.4.1 Form and use complete simple sentences. When writing:	See ELA.K.C.4.1a-f below.
ELA.K.C.4.1a capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun I;	Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 7DD, 9DD, 11DD 5, 5DD, 6, 7DD, 9DD, 11DD Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 24DD, 25DD, 27DD, 30, 31, 32DD, 33DD, 34DD, 35DD, 33, 34, 35

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.4.1b identify and name end punctuation marks (e.g., periods, exclamation points, and question marks);	Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 7, 24 Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 11, 21 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 18DD, 20DD, 21 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 12, 28DD, 29DD, 30DD, 32DD, 31, 32DD, 34DD
ELA.K.C.4.1c identify and use periods to punctuate sentences;	Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 11, 22 Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 18, 19, 20DD, 21 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 28DD, 29DD, 30DD, 31, 32DD,
ELA.K.C.4.1d identify and use common singular and plural nouns;	Grade K, Module 2, Lesson 20DD Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 20DD, 25DD, 26DD,, 30DD
ELA.K.C.4.1e identify and use action verbs; and	Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 2DD, 4DD, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 20DD, 22DD, 21DD, 23DD, 28DD Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 1DD, 13DD, 15DD, 16, 17, 17DD, 20, 21, 23DD, 25, 26, 26DD, 28, 29, 30 Grade K, Module 4, Lesson 3DD
ELA.K.C.4.1f identify and use simple and declarative sentences.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> addresses this standard in Grade 1 Grade 1, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 13DD, 16, 21, 23, 23DD, 25DD, 28, 29, 29DD, 30, 30DD, 31, 31DD Grade 1, Module 2, Lessons 5, 7DD, 9, 12, 13, 14, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 32, 34, 34DD, 35DD Grade 1, Module 3, Lessons 30, 33, 33DD, 34 Grade 1, Module 4, Lessons 6DD, 7DD, 9DD, 11DD, 17, 31

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.5: Revise writing to improve clarity and enhance style appropriate to audience, purpose, and task.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.5.1 With guidance and support, plan, revise, edit, and build on personal ideas and the ideas of others to strengthen writing.	Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 32DD Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 34

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.6: Write independently and legibly for a variety of tasks and purposes.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.6.1 Print all uppercase and lowercase letters, focusing on pencil grasp, letter formation, legibility, and pacing; use appropriate spacing for letters, words, and sentences.	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not address handwriting skills.

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.7: Organize and communicate ideas through a range of formats to engage a variety of audiences.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.7.1 Present information orally in a logical order of events using conjunctions and temporal words (e.g., before, after).	<i>Wit & Wisdom</i> does not explicitly address using conjunctions and temporal words in grade K. The following lessons address orally describing familiar people, places, things, and events. Grade K, Module 1, Lessons 4DD, 5DD, 6DD, 8DD, 9, 9DD, 10DD, 17, 18DD, 23, 24DD, 26DD, 28DD Grade K, Module 2, Lessons 9DD, 12DD, 15, 16, 17, 19 Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 32, 33, 35, 36

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.8: Through collaboration, react and respond to information while building upon the ideas of others and respecting diverse perspectives.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
<p>ELA.K.C.8.1</p> <p>Participate with peers and adults in structured discussions and routines about grade-appropriate topics and texts:</p>	<p>Kindergarten 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>ELA.K.C.8.1a</p> <p>enter a conversation by greeting, taking turns, and responding to others with statements, phrases, and/or questions; and</p>	<p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26</p> <p>Grade K, Module 4, Lessons 1, 9, 16, 17, 19, 21</p>
<p>ELA.K.C.8.1b</p> <p>consider the ideas of others while engaging in conversations.</p>	<p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, 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</p> <p>Grade K, Module 4, 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, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36</p>

Written and Oral Communications (C)

ELA.C.9: Evaluate and critique ideas and concepts interactively through listening and speaking.

South Carolina Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>
ELA.K.C.9.1 Ask and answer questions in conversation on a topic.	Kindergarten 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.