



**WIT &
WISDOM®**

Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

Utah State Standards
for English Language
Arts (2023) 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 Utah State Standards for 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 Utah State Standards for 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)

Speaking and Listening (7-8.SL)

Students will learn to collaborate, express and listen to ideas, integrate and evaluate information from various sources, use media and visual displays as well as language and grammar strategically to help achieve communicative purposes, and adapt to context and task.

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<p>7-8.SL.1</p> <p>Participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations on topics, texts, and issues.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 5, 7, 18, 24 , 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 19, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10, 11, 17, 19, 29, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27, 31, 38</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 15, 20, 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 24, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 11, 26</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lesson 9 , 24</p>
<p>7-8.SL.1a</p> <p>Respond thoughtfully in democratic discussions that involve decision-making and role-taking and determine if additional information or research is required to deepen the discussion.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</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 style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8 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>

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<p>7-8.SL.1b</p> <p>Participate in conversations by asking and responding to questions and provide the opportunity to consider a range of perspectives.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 18, 24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 19, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 10, 11, 17, 19, 29, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27, 31, 38</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 15, 20, 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 24, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 11, 26, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 9, 24</p>
<p>7-8.SL.2</p> <p>Evaluate the credibility of multiple sources of information presented in various formats and media to make informed decisions.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 16</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 25DD, 26, 26DD, 27, 27DD, 33, 34, 35, 36</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 4, 9, 18, 19</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 1, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 33, 34</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 18</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 33</p>

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<p>7-8.SL.3</p> <p>Use appropriate language, grammar, organization, development, and delivery styles appropriate to purpose and audience for formal or informal contexts.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, 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</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 29, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 20DD, 21, 22, 27, 31, 38</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 26, 29</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 9, 24, 33</p>
<p>7-8.SL.3a</p> <p>Convey a clear perspective by presenting and citing information, findings, and supporting evidence so that listeners can follow the line of reasoning.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 18, 24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 19, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 29, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 27, 31, 38</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 17</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 24, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32</p>

Reading (7-8.R)

Students will learn to proficiently read and comprehend grade level literature and informational text, including seminal U.S. documents of historical and literary significance, at the high end of the grade level text complexity band, with scaffolding as needed. *Standard R.4 includes an asterisk to refer educators back to the Text Complexity Grade Bands and Associated Lexile Ranges in the introduction of the standards.

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7-8.R.1 Mastered in preschool.	Grade 7 n/a	Grade 8 n/a
7-8.R.2 Mastered in grade 3.	Grade 7 n/a	Grade 8 n/a
7-8.R.3 Mastered in grade 5.	Grade 7 n/a	Grade 8 n/a
7-8.R.4 Read grade-level text* with accuracy and fluency to support comprehension. (RL & RI)	Grade 7 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.	Grade 8 Grade 8 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.

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<p>7-8.R.5</p> <p>Cite textual evidence that supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. (RL & RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33,</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 38</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 10, 20</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1, 4, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 25, 26, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 29</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 14, 31, 32, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,</p> <p>Grade 8, 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, 33</p>

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<p>7-8.R.6</p> <p>When reading texts, including those from diverse cultures, determine a theme, analyze its development including its relationship to the characters, settings, and plot, and provide an objective summary that includes textual evidence. (RL)</p> <p>When reading texts, including those from diverse cultures, determine the main idea, analyze its relationship to supporting ideas, and provide an objective summary that includes textual evidence. (RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 38</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 25, 26</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 13DD, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 29, 29DD, 30</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 14, 31, 32, 34</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 15, 16, 17,</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24</p>

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<p>7-8.R.7</p> <p>Analyze the impact of character and plot development on the overall story or drama. (RL)</p> <p>Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text. (RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 18, 19, 20, 22, 28</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 17, 19, 28</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 4, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 29</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 21, 22, 24</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 23, 24, 25,</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 12, 31, 32, 33</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 14</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20, 21, 23</p>

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<p>7-8.R.8</p> <p>Determine the meaning of words and phrases, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings. Analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning, tone, and mood, including words with multiple meanings within a text. (RL & RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 1DD, 5, 20, 26, 27DD, 28, 29</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD, 5, 10, 14, 17DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6DD, 15, 18, 20, 24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 6, 12DD, 13, 13DD, 14DD, 23, 25, 26, 28DD</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 13DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD, 10DD, 14DD, 22DD, 24, 28,29DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8, 9, 10, 13, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 3DD, 9, 12DD, 14, 15, 16, 16DD, 18, 23DD, 24DD, 30DD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 4DD, 5, 10, 11DD, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 24DD, 29, 32DD, 33DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 6DD, 7DD, 8, 8DD, 9, 10, 10DD, 11, 11DD, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 34, 35, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30,</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12DD, 4DD, 9DD, 0DD, 18DD, 20DD, 21DD, 24DD, 25, 30DD</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 12DD, 13DD, 23, 23DD, 24, 25, 27DD, 32DD, 33DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2DD, 3, 4, 4DD, 12, 12DD, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 14, 14DD, 15DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD</p>

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<p>7-8.R.9 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. (RL & RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 2DD, 3DD, 5, 5DD, 6DD, 10DD, 11DD, 13DD, 16DD, 17DD, 20, 27DD, 28, 29DD, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2DD, 3DD, 4DD, 7DD, 8DD, 13DD, 17DD, 19DD, 22DD, 24, 25DD, 27DD, 28, 29DD, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 3, 4, 5, 5DD, 11DD, 15, 18, 19DD, 20, 20DD, 26, 29DD, 32, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 3DD, 6, 7DD, 8DD, 9, 10DD, 15DD, 16DD, 17DD, 18, 18DDm, 21DD, 23DD, 24DD, 26, 28DD, 30DD, 33DD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 11DD, 12, 12DD, 13DD, 15, 23, 27DD, 32DD, 33DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2DD, 2, 3, 4, 6, 6DD, 7DD, 8, 8DD, 9, 10, 10DD, 11DD, 12, 12DD, 13, 17, 18, 18DD, 19, 20, 22, 22DD, 23, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 2DD, 3, 4, 6DD, 7, 9, 10, 10DD, 11DD, 14, 14DD, 15DD, 18DD, 19DD, 20, 20DD, 21, 21DD, 22, 23, 24DD, 30DD, 33DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 4, 5, 7, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD, 28DD, 29DD,</p>

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<p>7-8.R.9a</p> <p>Determine and consult appropriate reference materials to find the pronunciation of a word or determine its precise meaning or its part of speech.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 5DD, 8DD, 16DD, 24DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4DD, 7DD, 17DD, 22DD, 27DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 11DD, 32DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 3DD, 4DD, 8DD, 10DD, 15DD, 16DD, 17DD, 18, 30DD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 11DD, 13DD, 15DD, 23DD, 24DD, 27DD, 29DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 1DD, 4, 6DD, 7DD, 10DD, 12DD, 20DD, 29DD, 30DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6, 6DD, 7DD, 8, 9, 9DD, 10DD, 12, 12DD, 15DD, 18, 18DD, 19, 20DD, 21, 21DD, 22, 22DD, 30, 30DD, 31DD</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 2, 5, 10, 12, 13, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD</p>
<p>7-8.R.10</p> <p>Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, and how it contributes to the text meaning. (RL & RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 10, 15, 18</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 17</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 1, 4, 8, 23, 24</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 9, 14, 15, 16, 18, 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 19, 26</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 3</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 14, 19, 20, 21</p>

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<p>7-8.R.11</p> <p>Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the points of view of different characters or narrators in a text and how this creates a variety of effects (e.g., humor, sadness, suspense). (RL)</p> <p>Determine an author’s point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes their position from that of others and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints. (RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 11, 16, 27</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 28</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 18</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lesson 18</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 9, 31</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 9, 16, 17, 18, 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 10</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 29</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 24</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 14</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 24</p>
<p>7-8.R.12</p> <p>Compare a text to another text in a different medium about the same topic and evaluate the impact of the differences on the audience. (RL & RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</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 style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8 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>7-8.R.13</p> <p>Not applicable to RL.</p> <p>Evaluate an argument and specific claims in a text, assessing the validity of key statements by examining whether the supporting evidence is relevant and sufficient. (RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 21, 23, 31, 32</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 14, 15, 16</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 20, 23</p>

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<p>7-8.R.14</p> <p>Compare two or more works of fiction with similar themes or topics, drawing on patterns of events or character types. (RL)</p> <p>Compare how two or more texts about the same topic shape their presentations by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts; identify where the texts disagree on matters of fact or interpretation. (RI)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>RL</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 5, 25</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 18</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 9, 12, 13, 14, 16, 23, 26</p> <p>RI</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 31</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 8, 17, 24, 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 5, 20, 23, 24</p>

Writing (7-8.W)

Students will learn to write for a variety of tasks, purposes, and audiences using appropriate grammar/conventions, syntax, and style.

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<p>7-8.W.1</p> <p>Write arguments to support claims with logical reasoning, relevant evidence from accurate and credible sources, and provide a conclusion that follows from and supports the argument presented.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 8, 11, 12, 15, 17, 21, 28, 30, 33, 34</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35</p>
<p>7-8.W.1a</p> <p>Introduce claims, distinguish the claims from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 11, 12, 15, 17, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35</p>

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<p>7-8.W.1b</p> <p>Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 16, 17, 21, 30, 33</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 6, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 22, 26, 31, 32, 35</p>
<p>7-8.W.1c</p> <p>Use appropriate conventions and style for the audience, purpose, and task.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 10, 16, 20, 23, 29, 31, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21, 22, 30, 33, 35, 36, 36DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 24, 32, 35, 36, 37</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 21, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 16, 32, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 8, 27, 28</p>
<p>7-8.W.2</p> <p>Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content, and provide a conclusion that supports the information or explanation presented.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 8, 15, 23, 24, 32, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 30, 33, 35</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 16, 18</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 8, 16, 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lesson 12</p>
<p>7-8.W.2a</p> <p>Introduce a topic, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas and information into broader categories; utilize formatting, graphics, and multimedia related to the topic.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 8, 15, 23, 24, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 28, 30, 33, 35</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 9, 10, 11, 15, 18, 21, 27, 28, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12</p>

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<p>7-8.W.2b</p> <p>Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, and examples.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 6, 15, 16, 33</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 33, 35</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 16, 18</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 25, 26, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 8, 16, 27,</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12</p>
<p>7-8.W.2c</p> <p>Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 18DD, 20, 24DD, 26DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lesson 33</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 13, 15, 36, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12</p>
<p>7-8.W.2d</p> <p>Use precise language and content-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 5DD, 6DD, 15DD, 20, 23DD, 35DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 9DD, 10DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 33, 37DD</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 28</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 25, 26</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27</p>

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<p>7-8.W.2e Use appropriate conventions and style for the audience, purpose, and task.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 10, 16, 20, 23, 29, 31, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21, 22, 30, 33, 35, 36, 36DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 24, 32, 35, 36, 37</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 21, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 16, 32, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 8, 27, 28</p>
<p>7-8.W.3 Write narrative texts to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-structured event sequences, descriptive details, and provide a logical resolution.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 17, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 21, 29, 31</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14, 16</p>
<p>7-8.W.3a Engage and orient the reader by describing a problem, situation, or observation.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 29, 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 17, 29</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 16</p>
<p>7-8.W.3b Introduce a setting, narrator and/or characters.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 29, 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 17, 29</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 16</p>

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<p>7-8.W.3c</p> <p>Apply narrative techniques, such as dialogue and description, to develop characters and well-structured event sequences.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 12, 17, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 21, 29, 31</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14, 16</p>
<p>7-8.W.3d</p> <p>Utilize descriptive language to create a mood and tone appropriate to purpose, task, and audience.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 6, 7, 15DD, 17, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lesson 1</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 21, 29, 31</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 3, 14, 16</p>
<p>7-8.W.3e</p> <p>Use appropriate conventions and style for the audience, purpose, and task.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 10, 16, 20, 23, 29, 31, 34, 35</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 3, Lessons 21, 22, 30, 33, 35, 36, 36DD</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 24, 32, 35, 36, 37</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 21, 31, 32</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 16, 32, 37</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 36</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 8, 27, 28</p>
<p>7-8.W.4</p> <p>Conduct short research projects to craft an argument, answer a question, or provide an analysis.</p>	<p>Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 16</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 26, 27, 34</p>	<p>Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 1</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 27, 33</p>

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<p>7-8.W.4a Gather, assess, and use information from credible sources on the topic.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 16 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 25DD, 26, 26DD, 27, 27DD, 33, 34, 35, 36</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 1 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 8 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 27, 33</p>
<p>7-8.W.4b Generate ideas to demonstrate understanding of the topic and purpose.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 16 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 26, 27, 34</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 1 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 8 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 27, 33</p>
<p>7-8.W.4c Avoid plagiarism by quoting, paraphrasing, and citing, using a standard format for citation of evidence.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 16 Grade 7, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 25DD, 26, 26DD, 27, 27DD, 33, 34, 35, 36</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 1 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 8 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 5, 10, 13, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 33</p>

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<p>7-8.W.4d Interact and collaborate with others throughout the writing process.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</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 style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>Grade 8 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>7-8.W.5 Mastered in grade 5.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 7</p> <p>n/a</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 8</p> <p>n/a</p>