



Curiosity, Inquiry, Knowledge

Washington Standards for English Language Arts Correlation to *Wit & Wisdom*

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ABOUT WIT & WISDOM

Wit & Wisdom^{*} is a Kindergarten through Grade 8 English language arts (ELA) curriculum created by Great Minds. Founded in 2007, Great Minds PBC has evolved from an education advocacy start-up to a respected curriculum developer providing the highest quality materials and professional development to schools and districts nationwide. In pursuit of its goal to raise expectations for every student, Great Minds enlists educators to write curricula that use proven learning strategies to reward students' natural curiosity, build knowledge, and cultivate lifelong critical-thinking skills. Writing teams collaborate to ensure a consistent structure and vision for learning within and across all grade levels.

With *Wit & Wisdom*, every text a student explores is authentic and of the highest quality. Students use these texts at every turn—to learn, and eventually master, essential reading, writing, speaking, listening, grammar, and vocabulary skills. All students read and discuss grade-level texts, and the curriculum includes suggestions for supporting this learning at key moments in the lessons.

Wit & Wisdom is composed of four modules per grade level. Each artfully explores a specific topic to develop depth of understanding and inspire curiosity. Modules build students' knowledge of important topics in the arts, science, and social studies through the use of diverse and culturally relevant texts. The core of each module is a selection of literary works, informational texts, and visual art. Modules are made up of approximately 30 lessons that are covered in six to eight weeks. All modules integrate reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language instruction.

Wit & Wisdom was intentionally designed to be implemented alongside a high-quality, research-based foundational skills program therefore the majority of the foundational skills standards will fall into this category. With strategic placement of supplemental materials, students can be successful in achieving the proficiencies of the Washington 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 <u>The Science of Reading</u> and *Wit & Wisdom* and <u>Examining Scarborough's Rope: Background Knowledge</u>. A detailed analysis of the alignment between the Washington 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

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.8.1	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
Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	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
	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
RL.8.2 Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text.	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
	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
	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
RL.8.3	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 29
Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story or drama propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision.	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
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 21, 22, 24

Reading Standards for Literature

Craft and Structure

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.8.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 4DD, 5, 10, 11DD, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 24DD, 29, 32DD, 33DD 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 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12DD, 4DD, 9DD, 0DD, 18DD, 20DD, 21DD, 24DD, 25, 30DD
RL.8.5 Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 32 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 19, 26
RL.8.6 Analyze how differences in the points of view of the characters and the audience or reader (e.g., created through the use of dramatic irony) create such effects as suspense or humor.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 10 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 29

Reading Standards for Literature

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.8.7	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 21, 22, 25, 26, 34
Analyze the extent to which a filmed or live production of a story or drama stays faithful to or departs from the text or script, evaluating the choices made by the director or actors.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 18

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.8.8 Not applicable to literature.	N.A.
RL.8.9 Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 24, 27

Reading Standards for Literature

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RL.8.10 By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6–8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	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.

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Key Ideas and Details

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.1 Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 14, 31, 32, 33 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 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

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.2	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 14, 31, 32, 34
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 15, 16, 17,
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
RI.8.3	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 23, 24, 25,
Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., <i>through comparisons, analogies, or categories</i>).	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2, 4, 12, 31, 32, 33
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 14
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20, 21, 23

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Craft and Structure

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 12, 12DD, 13DD, 23, 23DD, 24, 25, 27DD, 32DD, 33DD
	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2DD, 3, 4, 4DD, 12, 12DD, 31, 32
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 14, 14DD, 15DD
	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
RI.8.5	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 27
Analyze in detail the structure of a specific paragraph in a text, including the role of particular sentences in developing and refining a key concept.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 3
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 14, 19, 20, 21

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.6 Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author acknowledges and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 24 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 12, 14 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 24

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.7	Grade 8 Modules 1-4
Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums (e.g., print or digital text, video, multimedia) to present a particular topic or idea.	<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.
RI.8.8	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 14, 15, 16
Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; recognize when irrelevant evidence is introduced.	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 20, 23
RI.8.9	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 5, 20, 23, 24
Analyze a case in which two or more texts provide conflicting information on the same topic and identify where the texts disagree on matters of fact or interpretation.	

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
RI.8.10 By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 6–8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	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.

Writing Standards

Text Types and Purposes

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.1 Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	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.
W.8.1a Introduce claim(s), acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35
W.8.1b Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 17, 26, 31, 34, 35
W.8.1c Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 6, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 22, 26, 31, 32, 35

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.1d Establish and maintain a formal style.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 29, 30, 31
W.8.1e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 13, 30, 31, 35
W.8.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.	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.
W.8.2a Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 9, 10, 11, 15, 18, 21, 27, 28, 31, 32 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12
W.8.2b Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 16, 18 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 25, 26, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 8, 16, 27, Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12
W.8.2c Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 13, 15, 36, 37 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.2d Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 28 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 25, 26 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27
W.8.2e Establish and maintain a formal style.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 23, 26 Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 16
W.8.2f Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 25, 26, 36, 37 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 12
W.8.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.	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.
W.8.3a Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 17, 29 Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 16
W.8.3b Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 21, 29, 31 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14, 16

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.3c Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.	Wit & Wisdom addresses this standard in Grade 7. Grade 7, Module 1, Lessons 28, 30 Grade 7, Module 2, Lessons 11DD, 12DD, 18DD, 24DD, 26DD Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16
W.8.3d Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 21, 29, 31 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 3, 14, 16
W.8.3e Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 12, 13, 14, 17

Writing Standards

Production and Distribution of Writing

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 7, 21, 31, 32 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 5, 16, 32, 37 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 36
W.8.5	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 8, 27, 28 Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 11, 17, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 8, 34, 37DD Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 10, 24, 26, 33, 35, 36, 35DD, 36DD Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 16, 26, 27, 31

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.6	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 22
Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas efficiently as well as to interact and collaborate with others.	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 9, 32, 33

Writing Standards

Research to Build and Present Knowledge

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self- generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.	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
W.8.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.	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
W.8.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	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.
W.8.9a Apply grade 8 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new").	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 16 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 8, 27, 31

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.9b	Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 16
Apply grade 8 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound, and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; recognize when irrelevant evidence is introduced").	Grade 8, Module 4, Lesson 27

Writing Standards

Range of Writing

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
W.8.10	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 19, 23, 27
Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 6, 7, 11, 12, 14, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, 33
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 33

Speaking & Listening Standards

Comprehension and Collaboration

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
SL.8.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	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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Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
SL.8.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and relevance and sufficiency of the evidence and identifying when irrelevant evidence is introduced.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 6, 9, 11, 17, 29, 32, 34

Speaking & Listening

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
SL.8.4 Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 33 Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 17 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 24, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
SL.8.5 Integrate multimedia and visual displays into presentations to clarify information, strengthen claims and evidence, and add interest.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 33 Grade 8, Module 3, Lesson 28 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 9, 10, 1 29, 30, 31, 32
SL.8.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 33 Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 33 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 26, 29 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 9, 24, 33

Language Standards

Conventions of Standard English

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar	Grade 8 Modules 1-4 <i>Wit & Wisdom</i> considers this standard a Continuing Standard. Because it is
and usage when writing or speaking.	fundamental to the learning design, it is addressed continually across all lessons and modules.
L.8.1a Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1DD, 2DD, 4DD, 7DD, 8DD, 13DD, 14DD, 16DD, 21DD, 22DD, 23DD, 24DD
L.8.1b	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 10, 11
Form and use verbs in the active and passive voice.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 16, 21DD, 23DD, 24DD, 25, 25DD, 26, 26DD, 32, 37, 37DD
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 26DD, 27DD
L.8.1c	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 2DD, 5DD, 8DD, 9DD, 10, 21
Form and use verbs in the indicative, imperative, interrogative, conditional,	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14DD, 15DD, 16DD, 37, 37DD
and subjunctive mood.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 11DD, 13DD, 16DD, 17DD, 23DD, 25DD, 26DD, 27DD, 29DD, 36DD
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27, 31
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lesson 27, 32DD
L.8.1d	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 8DD
Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 14DD, 15, 15DD, 16, 16DD, 25, 25DD, 26, 26DD, 37, 37DD
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16, 27, 31, 36
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 17DD, 29DD, 36DD

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	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.
L.8.2a Use punctuation (comma, ellipsis, dash) to indicate a pause or break.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 18DD, 19DD, 20DD, 22DD Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 5, 36 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1DD, 3DD, 5DD, 35DD
L.8.2b Use an ellipsis to indicate an omission.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 31DD, 32, 32DD, 33DD, 37DD
L.8.2c Spell correctly.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1DD, 32 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 31, 36 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 30DD, 31DD, 32DD

Language Standards

Knowledge of Language

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	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.

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.3a	Grade 8 Module 1 Lesson 11
Use verbs in the active and passive voice and in the conditional and	Grade 8 Module 2 Lesson 24DD, 32
subjunctive mood to achieve particular effects (e.g., emphasizing the actor	Grade 8 Module 3 Lesson 16DD, 17DD, 25DD, 26DD, 27, 27DD, 29DD
or the action; expressing uncertainty or describing a state contrary to fact).	Grade 8 Module 4 Lesson 25DD, 26DD, 27DD, 30DD, 31DD, 32DD

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	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.
L.8.3a Use verbs in the active and passive voice and in the conditional and subjunctive mood to achieve particular effects (e.g., emphasizing the actor or the action; expressing uncertainty or describing a state contrary to fact).	Grade 8, Module 1, Lesson 11 Grade 8, Module 2, Lesson 2 Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 16DD, 17DD, 25DD, 26DD, 27, 27DD, 29DD Grade 8, Module 4, Lesson 32, 25DD, 26DD, 27DD, 30DD, 31DD, 32DD

Language Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

Washington Standards	Aligned Components of Wit & Wisdom
L.8.4	See L.8.4a-c
Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	

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L.8.4a Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 4DD, 11DD, 12, 12DD, 13DD, 15, 23, 27DD, 32DD, 33DD 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 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 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 4, 5, 7, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD, 28DD, 29DD,
L.8.4b Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., <i>precede, recede, secede</i>).	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 12DD, 13DD Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 10DD, 20DD, 22DD, 29DD Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 7DD, 10DD, 12DD, 14DD, 18DD, 20DD, 21DD, 22DD, 30DD Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 10, 17, 6DD, 17DD, 28DD, 29DD, 30DD, 31DD, 32DD
L.8.4c Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 11DD, 13DD, 15DD, 23DD, 24DD, 27DD, 29DD Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 1DD, 4, 6DD, 7DD, 10DD, 12DD, 20DD, 29DD, 30DD 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 Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 2, 5, 10, 12, 13, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD

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L.8.4d Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 3DD, 4DD, 11DD, 12, 12DD, 13DD, 15, 23, 23DD, 27DD
	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 4, 6DD, 7DD, 10DD, 12, 12DD, 13, 20DD, 22DD, 29DD, 31
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6DD, 10, 10DD, 14, 18DD, 20, 21DD, 30DD
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 2, 10, 17, 3DD, 10DD, 15DD, 17DD, 19DD, 20DD
L.8.5	See L.8.5a-c
Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	
L.8.5a	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 4, 8DD, 21DD
Interpret figures of speech (e.g., verbal irony, puns) in context.	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 9DD, 10, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 29
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 4DD, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19, 20, 20DD, 22, 28, 29, 30
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 18, 20, 22, 5DD, 6DD, 11DD
L.8.5b	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 1, 1DD, 23DD, 27DD, 29DD
Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 1, 2DD, 10, 13DD, 17, 18DD, 27, 31
the words.	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 20, 23, 29, 30
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 1, 5, 6, 11, 12, 15, 17, 21, 5DD, 6DD, 11DD
L.8.5c	Grade 8, Module 1, Lessons 15DD, 24DD
Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., <i>bullheaded, willful, firm, persistent, resolute</i>).	Grade 8, Module 2, Lessons 2DD, 4DD, 15, 19, 30DD, 31, 32
	Grade 8, Module 3, Lessons 2, 2DD, 7DD, 9DD, 10, 14, 15DD, 21
	Grade 8, Module 4, Lessons 15DD, 21

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L.8.6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	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.