



Great Minds® believes that classrooms are places where students and teachers encounter wit, wisdom, wonder, rigor, and knowledge, and that literature, history, art, and science all have a place in English language arts (ELA) instruction.

That's why *Wit & Wisdom*®, a comprehensive K–8 curriculum, approaches ELA holistically. *Wit & Wisdom* provides a framework for inquiry that helps students build rich layers of knowledge—wherever learning takes place. It inspires teachers and students to experience texts and ideas on a deeper level and it fosters the questioning spirit that will shape the next generation of great writers, thinkers, and leaders.

SUPPORT TOOLS

FOR EDUCATORS

[Professional Learning](#)

Great Minds offers professional development and coaching sessions, both private and open enrollment, to support schools and districts as they implement *Wit & Wisdom*. Created by our team of teacher-writers, our sessions support new and sustaining implementation.

[Great Minds Humanities Video Library](#)

These on-demand professional learning videos offer an overview of the curriculum and learning design, as well as additional professional learning opportunities.

[Webinar Library](#)

Our free on-demand webinars cover topics like engaging all learners, supporting multilingual learners, the importance of knowledge building, social-emotional learning, and more.

[Teacher Resource Pack](#)

This collection of essential supports for educators includes resources such as the Implementation Guide, tips for lesson prep, national scope and sequence, and multilingual glossaries.

[Art of *Wit & Wisdom*](#)

Every *Wit & Wisdom* module includes lessons, an art glossary, and other resources that help students engage in careful analysis of the visual arts, providing students with additional opportunities to build knowledge while practicing their observation and discussion skills.

[Module 0s](#)

These abbreviated introductory modules—numbered zero because teachers should work through them before delivering the first module—help teachers prepare for the pedagogical shift they'll experience with *Wit & Wisdom*. Each Module 0 is designed to introduce students and teachers to *Wit & Wisdom*'s instructional design and routines to help develop classroom and school culture.

[Wit & Wisdom Preparation Protocols](#)

Preparation protocols help teachers internalize the curriculum before they implement it, building a deep understanding of the curriculum's what and why. This understanding helps teachers think through lesson materials and logistics as well as pace and scaffold instruction.

[Wit & Wisdom Student Assessment Packs](#)

These packs include 30 printed copies of each assessment and can be purchased by module.

[Standards Trackers \(Grades K–1\)](#)

These optional trackers for Grades K–1 provide a structure for teachers to monitor student progress toward mastery on the reading standards for literature and informational texts.

[Question Sets \(Grades 2–8\)](#)

These question sets, organized by module and lesson, are an optional assessment resource that educators can use to bolster instruction and implementation for Grades 2–8.

[Content Updates for Print Users](#)

Through this online resource, *Wit & Wisdom* teacher-writers provide updates to curriculum links, information about core texts, corrections, and recommendations for educators as *Wit & Wisdom* resources evolve.

[Aha! Blog](#)

This Great Minds blog covers timely topics such as strategies for implementing *Wit & Wisdom*, expert guidance from our Implementation Success team, engaging students with complex texts, and more.

[State Alignment Studies](#)

These detailed analyses demonstrate how *Wit & Wisdom* aligns with specific state standards across grade levels.

[Curriculum Reviewer Guides \(Grades K–5 and 6–8\)](#)

These guides present *Wit & Wisdom* examples and evidence to support potential partners in reviewing the curriculum's coherence, rigor, and effectiveness.

[Wit & Wisdom in Sync™](#)

Wit & Wisdom in Sync has all the important components of our high-quality *Wit & Wisdom* curriculum. This abbreviated program also includes additional digital resources that can be used anywhere learning takes place.

Adapted to support students anywhere, *Wit & Wisdom in Sync* includes

- daily video lessons and fillable PDFs of student handouts and fluency activities,
- planning and preparation resources for teachers including the Learn Anywhere Plan with a pacing guide for each lesson,
- *Wit & Wisdom* Projected slides that provide lesson-specific content for online and in-class instruction, and more.

[Affirm®](#)

Affirm is a digital assessment tool that helps *Wit & Wisdom* educators identify and better meet the needs of their students. Instant scoring and reporting tracks student progress over time and alerts teachers to remediation needs.

DIGITAL MATERIALS

TEACHER SUPPORT

Digital Teacher Edition

With the Digital Teacher Edition, teachers can explore and easily search full *Wit & Wisdom* lessons and resources to understand the context of the grade, lesson set, and module.

Getting Started Videos

Watch these videos to prepare for your grade-level *Wit & Wisdom* instruction, to learn how to navigate the digital Teacher Edition, and to plan for the classroom setup.

Wit & Wisdom Projected Slides

These comprehensive slides for each grade come with key lesson content and images as well talking points for the teacher.

Multilingual Learner Resources for Grades K–5

Our research-aligned supports put the spotlight on existing lesson elements that specifically benefit multilingual learners in addition to providing lesson-specific supports for reading, writing, language, and speaking and listening instruction.

Wit & Wisdom Prologue™ for Grades 6–8

For students who need additional language development support, previewing content and language in an English language arts lesson can make a world of difference. That is why we created *Prologue*, a resource that supports grades 6–8 multilingual learners and students with language-based disabilities by front-loading key content and language from specific *Wit & Wisdom* lessons.

STUDENT AND CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Student Edition

These workbooks support student engagement and instruction with graphic organizers, evidence organizers, and other student materials. Materials can also be printed and submitted in hardcopy form if that is preferred.

Wit & Wisdom Family Resources

A ready-for-distribution note from the teacher to families provides a brief summary of *Wit & Wisdom*'s approach to English language arts. Educators and families can also download the Family Tip Sheets, available for each module in English and other languages, for ideas to continue *Wit & Wisdom* learning outside of school.

Materials for Multilingual Learners and Their Families

This packet of resources invites families and caregivers of multilingual students to participate in their learning. Supports include multilingual glossaries for each grade, Welcome Letters, and Family Tip Sheets in different languages.

PRINT MATERIALS

Teacher Edition

Every grade level includes four spiral-bound Teacher Editions with complete lesson plans and clearly stated learning goals by lesson as well as standards alignment details and in-context notes to give teachers the support they need when they need it.

Student Edition

Our Student Editions are workbooks that support student engagement and instruction with graphic organizers, evidence organizers, and other student materials.

Core Texts

Every text a *Wit & Wisdom* student touches is authentic and of the highest quality. To meet the qualifications for this collection, the texts must aid social and emotional development, allowing students to see themselves and others in each lesson. Students use these texts at every turn—to learn, and eventually master, essential reading, writing, speaking, listening, grammar, and vocabulary skills. Instead of basals or leveled readers, *Wit & Wisdom* students read complex texts to build enduring knowledge of the world around them.

Volume of Reading

Volume of Reading texts are literary and informational texts that teachers can use for additional classroom instruction. *Wit & Wisdom* Volume of Reading texts help students of all abilities expand their knowledge of each module topic.