



## Writing/Language Checklist – ALL GENRES - Common Core Standards 3-5



- Choose a different color highlighter for each trimester.
- Highlight skills as they are mastered as indicated by writing samples put into portfolio
- Track progress with writing toward grade-level achievement over the course of one or more years.

W Writing Standards		3-5	
<b>Standard 1</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Opinion/argument Text overview for writing	Write opinion pieces ...supporting a point of view with reasons. - convey ideas and information clearly. Introduce the topic or text they are writing about, state opinion, create an organizational structure that lists reasons; provide reasons to support opinion; concluding statement or section.	...reasons and information; group in paragraphs and sections; introduce clearly, state opinion; organizational structure with ideas grouped to support writer's purpose; support reasons with facts and details; link opinion and reasons using words and phrases; provide a concluding statement or section related to opinion.	...(same-plus) . logically ordered reasons supported by facts and details; link opinion and reasons with words, phrases, and clauses; concluding statement etc.
<b>Standard 2</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Informative/explanatory Text overview for writing	- convey ideas and information clearly. - group related information; include illustrations when useful. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details. Use linking words and phrases; Provide a concluding statement or section.	...group in paragraphs and sections; include formatting illustrations, and multimedia. Develop - facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations. Link ideas; use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary; provide a concluding statement or section	Introduce clearly, general observation and focus, group information logically; link ideas within and across categories information using words, phrases, and clauses; precise language and domain-specific vocabulary; concluding statement...
<b>Standard 3</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Narrative Text overview for writing	... real/imagined experiences/events - effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences. Establish situation; intro narrator/characters; organize event sequence that unfolds naturally. Use dialogue, descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop events or response of characters. Use temporal words/phrases to signal order; provide a sense of closure.	...(all-plus) use temporal words .to convey experiences and events precisely; provide a conclusion that that follows from narrated experiences and events.	...(same-plus)...use dialogue, description, and pacing; use variety of transitional words, phrases, and clauses to develop experiences/events or show responses of characters to situations; conclusion....
<b>Standard 4</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Mostly Organization	With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose.	Produce clear and coherent writing (including multiple-paragraph texts) in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	
<b>Standard 5</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Writing Process including Revision and Editing	<b>With guidance and support from peers and adults</b> , develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards to grade level.)		...or trying a new approach. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards to grade 5.
<b>Standard 6</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Technology	<b>With guidance and support from adults</b> , use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others	including the Internet, ...demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of one page in a single sitting.	... type a minimum of two pages in a single sitting.
<b>Standard 7</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Research	Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic	... through investigation of different aspects of a topic.	... that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
<b>Standard 8</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Gather information from multiple sources	...take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.	... use print and digital sources; take notes, paraphrase, categorize; provide a list of sources.	...summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.
<b>Standard 9</b>	<b>Grades 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Gather evidence from literary or informational texts (apply reading standards) to support claims – use Text-Dependent Questioning	Begins in grade 4	...literature (describe in depth a character, setting, event in story/drama, drawing on specific details in the text (character's thoughts, words, actions). ...informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text").	... literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or a drama, drawing on specific details in the text ... informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point[s]").
<b>Standard 10: is writing routinely over longer and shorter term tasks</b> (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. – <b>all grades</b>			



L LANGUAGE STANDARDS: Conventions of Standard English		3-5	
<b>Standard 1</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
English Conventions when writing or speaking Nouns/pronouns/verbs	Explain function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs in general and functions in particular sentences. Use regular/irregular plural nouns; abstract nouns; irregular verbs; simple verb tenses; subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement; use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs	Use interrogative, relative pronouns, relative adverbs; progressive verb tenses; modal auxiliaries; prepositional phrases; order adjectives w/in sentences; use complete sentences, correcting fragments/run-ons; correctly use frequently confused words; write fluidly and legibly in cursive or joined italics	Explain function of conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections. Use the perfect verb tenses. Use verb tense to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions. Correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense.
Other parts of speech	Use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions	Use frequently occurring adjectives.	Use correlative conjunctions
Sentences	-simple, compound, complex sentences; legible cursive or joined italics, with margins and spacing; use reciprocal pronouns correctly	...complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.	
Capitalization	Capitalize appropriate words in titles	Use correct capitalization	
Punctuation	Use commas in addresses; with quotation marks in dialogue. Use possessives.	Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a text; - comma before a coordinating conjunction in a compound sentence.	Use comma to separate an introductory element; to set off the words <i>yes</i> and <i>no</i> , to set off a tag question, and direct address. Use underlining, quotation marks, or for titles of works.
Spelling	Use spelling patterns: word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts. Consult reference mat. to check spelling.	Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.	
<b>Standard 3</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Using language and conventions in writing, speaking, reading, or listening	Choose words and phrases for effect. Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written standard English.	Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely. Choose punctuation for effect. Differentiate - contexts formal/informal English	Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style. Compare/contrast English used in stories, dramas, or poems