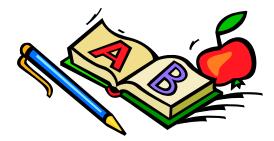
ELA CURRICULUM GRADE 3 COMMON CORE ALIGNMENT

WRITING WORKSHOP GUIDE



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The K-5 ELA Curriculum/Common Core Alignment: Reading and Writing Guide is intended to help educators teach from the specific body of knowledge that students in grades K-5 must acquire in order to become highly effective users of oral and written language. The Common Core Learning Standards in English Language Arts form the basis for the development of the instructional units. Each unit is designed to target all components of the Common Core Standards presented through a reading and writing workshop instructional strategy.

Readers' workshop and Writers' workshop are phrases that describe a particular structure that maximizes students' learning. This structure does not require prepackaged curricula or specialized materials. Instead, the workshop model relies on teachers' deep understanding of the skills and strategies that reading, writing, listening and speaking demand. It acknowledges that skillful reading and writing are developed through experience, practice by explicit teaching of the habits and techniques of accomplished readers and writers, and by giving students sufficient time to practice with authentic texts at increasingly higher levels of text complexity.

Teachers have carefully developed instructional plans, in keeping with the identified units of study and instructional modules, which address the strengths and needs of their particular students, not based on the sequence of one-size-fits-all lessons in a textbook. In order to implement these plans effectively, teachers and students need access to lots of books in various genres matched to their interests, reading levels, and instructional goals. They also need time to confer and have opportunities for sustained reading/writing in many different genres. The content of specific reading and writing mini-lessons and titles may change each day, but teachers can always use the workshop structure to organize their planning, no matter what strategies or books they use.

What is a Balanced Literacy Program?

Teacher Directed Reading

Reading Aloud Shared Reading Guided Reading Book Clubs Literature Circles Class Literature Study Content Area Text Study Vocabulary Development Word Work

Independent Reading

Sustained Silent Reading Oral & Written Response Strategy Mini-Lessons (such as procedures, literary craft, reading/comprehension strategies, response, and conventions) Conferences Goal Setting Assessment

Balanced Literacy

Teacher Directed Writing

Modeled Writing Prompted Writing Lessons on Writing Formats Informational Writing Spelling Handwriting Word Processing Conventions and Grammar

Independent Writing

Writing Workshop Mini-Lessons on Strategies Mentored Writing Research Revision Editing Conventions Publication/Sharing

A Program Framework

45 Minutes every day	INDEPENDENT READING
	SSR+R (Sustained Silent Reading & Response
60 Minutes three times/week	DIRECTED READING INSTRUCTION Includes structured lessons using formats such as: Guided Reading/Book Clubs/Literature Circles Shared Reading with common texts Reading Aloud/Shared Reading Aloud Whole Class Literature Study Social Studies & Science Text Reading Instruction Vocabulary Development Word Work
60 Minutes three times/week	WRITING INSTRUCTION Includes structured lessons, independent practice, self-selected writing, & prompted writing practice using formats such as: Writing Workshop Guided Writing/Modeled Writing Mini-Lessons Prompts & written response Word Work Grammar & Conventions Handwriting & Word Processing

Another Program Framework

90 Minutes every day	READING WORKSHOP Mini-Lesson Status of the Class Independent Reading Book Clubs Response Reading Aloud
60 Minutes three times/week	WRITING WORKSHOP Mini-Lesson Status of the Class Independent Writing Conferencing Author's Circle
30 Minutes three times/week	<u>WORD STUDY</u> Word Work Vocabulary enhancing strategies Spelling Conventions Handwriting & Word Processing

Developing A Schedule

EVERY DAY, NO MATTER WHAT

- > Teacher reads aloud to the class
- > Teacher observes and notes student achievement
- > Children read books of their choice independently
- Children respond to books orally
- Children write for authentic purposes
- > Children practice problem solving & comprehension strategies

THREE TIMES A WEEK

- > Children write on topics of their choice & develop pieces of writing
- Some children participate in small groups for reading & writing instruction
- > Children participate in shared reading & writing experiences
- > Children work with words & conventions of the English language
- > Teachers provide direct instruction in strategies for reading, writing & thinking
- > Children participated in content area theme lessons, experiences & thinking.

ONCE A WEEK

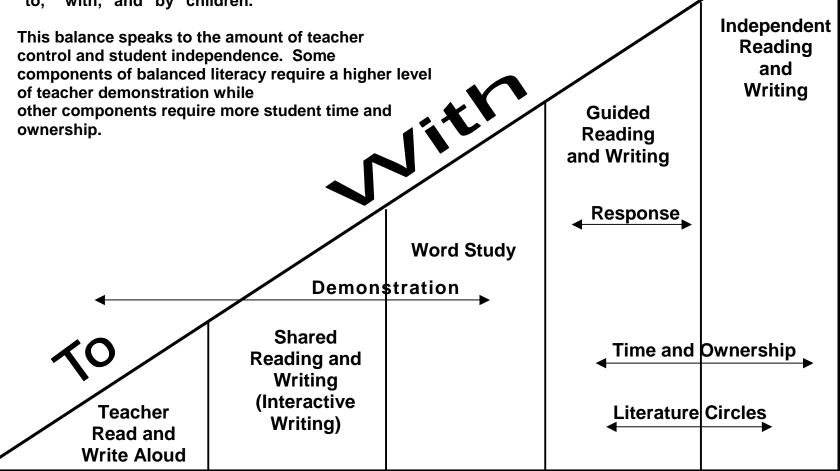
- > Teachers confer with individual children about reading & writing
- > Children create a written response to reading
- > Children share piece of writing with others
- > Children participate in formative spelling assessment
- > Children explain thinking in math journals

A DAILY SCHEDULE

8:30 - 9:00	Gathering Time/Morning Work
9:00 - 9:20	Morning Meeting
9:20 - 10:20	Writing Workshop (3 times/week) Unified Arts
10:20 - 10:30	Snack Break
10:30 - 11:30	Content Area Studies/Class Literature Study (3 times/week) Unified Arts
11:30 - 12:30	Recess and Lunch Hour
12:30 - 2:00	Reading Workshop
2:00 - 3:05	Math Workshop
3:05 - 3:15	Afternoon Meeting/Dismissal

Balanced Literacy In The Classroom

Balanced literacy is the vehicle that we use in AISD to deliver the Language Arts TEKS. The <u>balance</u> in balanced literacy refers to reading and writing done "to," "with," and "by" children.



Amount of Independence

Read Aloud

- an able reader (usually the teacher or parent) reads out loud
- students do not see the printed text but may see the illustrations
- choose text 2-3 grade levels above the reading level of the listeners
- model fluent reading, advanced sentence structure, and vocabulary
- introduce new forms such as poetry and the classics
- develop "story sense"
- limit time; make read-aloud a teaching event

Read Aloud

Before

Introduction Why choose this book? Tie book to experience Clarify potentially difficult concepts

During

Use expressive voice Show illustrations Share personal experiences Predict, question Accept and value comments from children Answer all questions Talk about author's ideas and viewpoint

After

Continue discussing predictions Share life experiences Make connections Make books available to children Allow children to respond through activities that grow out of their interests

Write Aloud

- an able writer (usually the teacher or parent) writing on an overhead, blackboard, or chart paper talking out loud about the process of writing
- model decision making on choice of topic to write about
- model writing process and decision making, capital letters, punctuation, and spacing
- introduce new conventions of print and new forms of writing
- model editing techniques and art of conveying a message
- limit time; this is a direct teach event

Shared Writing

- teachers holds the pen and writes on a surface large enough for all children to see
- teacher models writing process and decision making about conventions used
- children contribute to and experience the composition process
- writing is a negotiated process with topics, meanings, and choices of words jointly decided by students and teacher
- develops understandings of concepts about print
- allows children to examine print details closely
- shared writing material becomes reading materials that are relevant and interesting to children (poems, charts, wall stories, daily news)

Interactive Writing

- students and teacher compose, write and revise text together by sharing the pen
- assists students in learning how to record oral language
- demonstrates concepts about print, lettersound relationships, and syllabication
- demonstrates use of high-frequency words, word families, endings, and slow articulation of words
- demonstrates rereading of text to help maintain meaning
- students reread finished text in centers or independent reading

Shared Reading

- teacher reads text, inviting students to join in the reading
- teacher models strategies in context
- text must be visible to students: big books, charts, poster, overheads, basal
- develops concepts about print and language
- text presents supports and challenges
- models repeated readings

Word Study

- daily, direct and explicit letter and word work
- presented in context or isolation
- fun, manipulative
- supports good spelling and proofreading
- provides opportunity to practice high frequency words
- uses word families, onsets and rimes, patterns
- word walls and word wall activities

Guided Reading

- students read a text at their instructional level (supports and challenges) in a small group
- teacher provides an introduction and support as needed
- teacher does <u>not</u> read the text
- each student has a copy of the text
- strategies are practiced in context
- discussion supports comprehension
- provides opportunity for the teacher to assess and diagnose
- beginning readers use quiet voices to read aloud at their own rate
- this is not choral reading or round-robin reading

Guided Writing

- teacher provides topic or purpose for writing
- student(s) compose written text
- teacher provides guidance and support as needed
- writing strategies practiced in the process of writing for a purpose
- provides opportunity to assess and diagnose individually or in groups
- editing conferences and response groups provide support for expanding ideas, and conveying meaning to an audience

Critical Attributes of Literature Circles

- group of children discussing a book set
- read the book independently or with their peers
- heterogeneously grouped
- focuses on student interest
- comprehension strategies addressed
- reaction, reflection, response

Critical Attributes of Independent Reading and Writing

- students choose and read books at their independent reading level for a sustained period of time each day
- students select purposes and topics for writing
- students practice strategies demonstrated in shared and guided reading and writing
- students build self-esteem and competency as readers and writers
- students share their work by reading to others, conferences, retellings, or publishing

Critical Attributes of Learning Centers

- to build upon what children already know and are able to do
- to provide enjoyable, successful experiences in learning to read and write
- to interact in meaningful, purposeful ways with literacy
- to encourage interactions with language and print at each child's individual level
- to connect with literacy in a nonfragmented way
- to create and display literacy for a printrich environment
- to extend the student's natural language
- to foster thoughtful processes about learning to read and write
- to meet the needs of students with different learning styles

- to encourage students' organizational skills and responsibility for learning materials
- to teach students how to work cooperatively or collaboratively with others
- to assist students in learning through the context of social relationships
- to facilitate flexible small group and guided reading instruction

Critical Attributes of Management of Learning Centers

- Center materials should be well organized and clearly labeled
- Special consideration should be given to the flow of traffic from one center to another
- Materials in each center should be available and easy to access
- Display space in centers should be available for placing students' completed work especially for large art-type projects
- Storage space should be provided for ongoing and completed student work
- Learning centers should have ongoing routines that are taught to the children
- Centers should be introduced one at a time to the students with time to practice using the center

- Learning center materials may be changed according to student interest or a specific learning goal
- Each center should have an adequate but not overabundant supply of materials
- Quiet and noisier activities should be separated from noisier activities

Reading List

Select a book to read. Enter the title and author on your reading list. When you have completed it, write the genre and the date. If you have abandoned it, write an (A) and the date you abandoned it in the date column. Note whether the book was easy (E), just right (JR), or a difficult (D) book for you.

#	Title	Author	Genre Code	Date Completed	E, JR, D
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	 T - taught O - must teach soon / - saw evidence that writer can do X - saw more evidence that writer can do Goals 																	
Attitude	Writer generates topics without resistance.																	
	Writer assumes the identity of "I'm an author!"																	
Planning	Writer chooses paper that is appropriate.																	
	Writer makes the transition from the minilesson to writing.																	
Independence	Writer cycles through the process with independence, starting a new piece when the last is done.																	
Genre	Writer's text conveys either a story or information.																	
Purpose	Writer knows writing conveys meaning. He creates coherent oral (or written) text to accompany pictures.																	
Productivity	Writer is socialized into the norms and mores of a writing workshop, carrying on productively for 20–30 minutes.																	
	Writer's marks show growing concepts of print (top to bottom, alphabet letters, etc.).																	
	Writer writes labels, sentences, or stories using sound-letter correspondence, etc., to do so.																	
Graphophonics	Writer has strategies for spelling unfamiliar words (at least stretches out a word, then hears and records initial or dominant sound).																	
	Writer revises by adding details into pictures/ text and by adding more pages to text.																	
Writing Process	Writer uses resources appropriately to help with spelling.																	
Qualities of	Writer tries to make his marks on the page match his mental image.																	
Good Writing	Writer talks about the value of details.																	
Reading	Writer identifies print and understands its function in different texts.																	

Early Primary Reading Workshop Model

Shared Reading (15 minutes) With all of the students gathered together, shared reading provides a gathering activity to begin the workshop that models the effective strategies which will be used independently. As a common mini-lesson, shared reading offers an excellent opportunity to introduce, model, and practice strategies with the entire class. Following the traditional shared reading model (see Parkes, 2000, among others) the teacher begins by reading an old favorite or two. Then, over the course of a week, a new text is introduced and practiced providing the context for any number of lessons that can be taught to support emergent readers.

Independent Reading (20 minutes) The children keep book boxes which contain self-selected books as well as those selected by the teacher and some that are introduced at book clubs. Independent reading time is essential for developing readers. Children greatly benefit from opportunities to practice their reading by themselves. This time may not be "silent" reading, as most primary age children need to read orally. This develops word identification strategies as well as fluency.

Meeting (10 minutes) The children gather with their books and announce the titles of those they read during independent reading time. The teacher records at least one title on a chart which he uses for record keeping and assessment. He may also invite the children to respond briefly about their books. Then, centers and book clubs are announced and the children sign up for their activities for the day.

Book Clubs and Literacy Centers (40 minutes) Following a traditional format for guided reading (see Taberski, 2000, among others) the teacher meets with **book clubs**, small groups of students (no more than 5.) to read a common text and practice common needs. The teacher selects the common text based on its ability to address the intended instruction as well as its level of readability and comprehension. Groups are not permanent and are based on immediate needs. During the lesson, the teacher prepares the students for reading by accessing schema, providing background, and exploring key vocabulary. They preview the text through its pictures, talking about the story and using its vocabulary in conversation. Some word work helps to introduce, practice and reinforce work identification strategies that will support the reading of the text at hand as well as the entire reading process. When ready, the children read the text independently, usually out loud, while seated with the other members of their book club. The teacher is present, listening carefully, in order to add support where needed. After the children have all finished, a brief but meaningful response to the text is generated. Typically, a teacher meets with two groups every day. He frequently monitors each child through individual conferences, during which he assesses text reading as well as comprehension. As students become more sophisticated readers, the nature of the book club may change from an emphasis on strategy to one of content. When not in a book club, the other children are involved in **literacy centers.** These provide independent activities that will further support a child's ability to read independently. They also provide a purposeful structure which allows the teacher to work with small groups while the others are engaged in meaningful work. The children rotate through the centers at approximately 12-minute intervals, and all children are expected to participate in every center at least once during the week. Five to six different centers are offered each week. Centers typically include: independent reading, readers' theater, research, book selection, storyboard retelling, story maps, response journal writing, and word work. Successful centers directly compliment the strategies being taught and reinforced during shared reading and book clubs.

Read Aloud (15 minutes) While this is not the only time the teacher reads aloud during the day, reading workshop provides a regularly scheduled opportunity to model and reinforce successful reading strategies. The teacher reads to the whole class from a variety of texts to provide a strong literary background from which the children may draw upon later in life. Interaction during the read aloud is expected, as it promotes the development of story language. Reading aloud also provides a comfortable, warm closure to a typically busy reading workshop.

<u>Reading Workshop Format</u>

Mini-Lesson (5-10 minutes) Lesson topics are determined by the needs of the class as well as the curriculum. Lessons are brief, whole group, and often involve both teacher and student modeling. Topics vary, but typically address the following: procedures, literary craft, reading and comprehension strategies, response, and conventions. Atwell (1998) and Serafini (2005) offer a number of practical model mini-lessons that are easily adaptable.

Status of the Class (2-5 minutes at the beginning of silent reading) As the children select new books or retrieve ones they are still reading from their book boxes, the teacher asks each student what they will be reading. He records the title and page number on a chart. This provides an excellent opportunity for a brief conference with every child about their reading and the books they have chosen. It also provides a reliable assessment tool by which the teacher can monitor self-selection and provide guidance when necessary.

Silent Reading (minimum of 30 minutes) Once the children have selected their books and conferred with the teacher, they are expected to read silently and independently. While many primary age children vocalize while reading and may need the support of reading orally with a partner, silent independent reading remains the goal. When children finish reading a book, they record it in their reading logs, return it to the classroom library, and select another book to read.

Conferences & Book Clubs (during silent reading) Silent reading provides the teacher with guaranteed time to meet with individuals and small groups for assessment, guidance, remediation, and enrichment. During a **conference**, the teacher meets with individual children to talk about their reading and offer brief individual instruction in an informal conversation that may last from 8-10 minutes. Conferences focus on the individual needs of every child, so no two conferences are alike, although the conversation always surrounds books the child has recently been reading. Occasionally, the teacher groups 4 or 5 children according to their instructional needs and forms a **book club**. The teacher is then able to address these needs with a common text following a lesson structure that involves preparation for reading, independent reading, and response. Most often, book clubs meet over the course of two or more days. As children become more sophisticated readers, the book club format becomes increasingly independent.

Response (10-15 minutes) The children are invited to respond to their reading in both oral and written ways. Every day the children meet with a friend for book talks, brief conversations that share reactions and responses to reading. About once a week, the children write more formal responses in journals or traditional book reviews. The children write independently and freely, although the teacher occasionally provides a prompt to guide the response. They are also encouraged to discover interesting new words and record them in a special vocabulary notebook. Connections between reading and writing are encouraged. Written responses are always shared with peers and the teacher in order to maintain purpose and audience.

Read Aloud (20 minutes) The teacher reads orally and invites active listening and participation from the children. Longer, more diverse, and more complicated texts are selected to provide a rich experience of literature. This provides an excellent opportunity for additional modeling of reading and response strategies. It also offers closure for the reading workshop within the community.

West Hempstead Union Free School District Grade Level Scope and Sequence *LITERARY FORMS/GENRE*

LITERARY FORMS/GENRE	Focus Grade Level— Unit of Study	K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Nursery Rhymes	Kindergarten	D	Μ					
Poetry	ALL	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Fairy Tales	Kindergarten & First	D	D	Μ				
Picture Books	ALL	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Plays/Reader's Theater	Third Grade	Е	D	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
Fables	Fourth Grade	E	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	Μ
Biography/Autobiography	Third Grade	E	E	Е	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Folktales	Third Grade	E	Е	Е	D		Μ	Μ
Mystery	Third Grade			Е	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Realistic Fiction	Fourth & Fifth Grades				Е	D	D	Μ
Historical Fiction	Fourth & Fifth Grades				Е	D	D	Μ
Legends/Tall Tales		Е	Е	E	Е	D	Μ	Μ
Fantasy			Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е
Mythology	Sixth Grade					Е	Е	D
Non-narrative/non-fiction	ALL	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
How To Books	Kindergarten & First	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	Μ	D
All About Books	Second & Third	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	
Interviews	Second & Fifth	E	Е	D	Μ	Μ	D	Μ
Literary Essay	Fourth, Sixth			Е	D	D	D	D
Persuasive Essay	Third through Sixth			Е	D	D	D	D
Memoir/Personal	ALL	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Narrative/Small Moments								
Informational Articles	Fourth & Fifth	E	Е	E	E	D	D	Μ
Diaries/Journals	Fifth	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	D	Μ
Photo Essay		E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E
Friendly/Business Letters	Fifth & Sixth		Е	D	D	D	D	D

- **E** Exposure (without formal instruction)
- **D** Direct Instruction (with formal lessons)

M Maintenance (application/reteach when necessary)

MECHANICS	K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Abbreviations							
acronyms				Ε	Ε	Ε	Ε
address abbreviations			D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
common abbreviations			D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Initialisms (CD, DVD, TV)				Ε	Ε	Ε	Ε
Capitalization							
abbreviations	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
days, months, holidays	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
first words (of sentences)	D	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
geographic names	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
historical events				Ε	D	D	D
names of people	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	Μ
official names (business, official products)		Ε		D	D	Μ	Μ
organizations		Ε			D	Μ	Μ
particular sections of the country		Ε		D	D	Μ	Μ
proper nouns		D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
proper adjectives						D	D
races, languages, nationalities, religions				D	D	D	D
school subjects				Ε	Ε	D	D
titles	Ε	Е	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
titles used as names	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Ν	Μ
words used as names			Ε	D	Μ	Ν	Μ
Plurals							
Adding an s	Е	Ε	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	Μ
compound nouns		Ε			Ε	D	Μ
irregular spelling		Ε	D	D	D	D	D
nouns ending in ch, sh, s, x, and z		Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
nouns ending in f or fe		Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
nouns ending in –ful		Ε		Ε	D	Μ	Μ
nouns ending in o		Ε		D	D	Μ	Μ
nouns ending in y		Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
plurals that do not change (deer, moose, buffalo)		Ε	Ε	Ε	D	D	D

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E = Exposure	D = Direct Instruction	M = Maintenance (continue
		to reinforce as needed)

PUNCTUATION	K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Apostrophes							
in contractions		D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
in place of omitted letters or numbers					D	Μ	Μ
to express time or amount					D	Μ	Μ
to form plural possessives		Ε	Е	D	D	D	D
to form possessives with indefinite pronouns					Ε	D	D
to form singular possessives		Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
to form some plurals					D	Μ	Μ
to show shared possession					D	Μ	Μ
Colons							
after salutations (business letter)					Ε	D	D
as a formal introduction (of a quote)					Ε	D	Μ
between numbers in time	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
to introduce lists			Ε	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Commas							
between items in a series		Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
in compound sentences			Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ
in dates and addresses	Ε	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
in direct address			D	D	D	Μ	Μ
in letter writing	Ε	Ε	D	D	Σ	Μ	Μ
to keep numbers clear	Ε	Ε	Е	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
to separate equal adjectives			Ε	D	D	D	Μ
to separate introductory clauses and phrases			Е	ш	D	D	Μ
to set off appositives (his teacher, Ms. Chin,)						D	Μ
to set off dialogue		Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
to set off explanatory phrases				Ε	D	D	Μ
to set off interjections				Ε	D	D	Μ
to set off interruptions				Ε	D	D	Μ
to set off nonrestrictive phrases and clauses							D
to set off titles or initials							D
Dashes							
for emphasis					Ε	D	Μ
to indicate interrupted speech					Ε	D	Μ
to indicate a sudden break					Ε	D	Μ
Ellipses							
to show omitted words					Ε	Ε	Ε
to show pauses	E	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ

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PUNCTUATION	K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Exclamation Points							
to express strong feelings	E	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Hyphens							
in compound words					D	Μ	Μ
to create new words					D	Μ	Μ
to divide words				D	D	Μ	Μ
to form adjectives					Ε	D	D
to join letters to words (e-mail, u-turn)					D	Μ	Μ
Italics and Underlining							
in titles	Ε	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
Parenthesis							
to add information	Ε	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ
Periods							
in abbreviations	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
after initials	Ε	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
as decimal points				D	D	D	D
at end of sentences	D	D	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ
Question Marks							
at end of direct questions	Ε	D	D	Μ	Μ	Μ	Μ
at end of indirect questions							D
tag questions (, isn't it?, aren't you?)					D	D	Μ
to show doubt					D	Μ	Μ
Quotation Marks							
for quotations within quotations						Ε	Ε
for special words				Ε	D	D	Μ
placement of punctuation				Ε	D	D	Μ
to punctuate titles				D	D	Μ	Μ
to set off long quoted material					Ε	Ε	D
to set off quoted material						Ε	Ε
to set off a speaker's exact words	Ε	Ε	D	D	D	Μ	Μ
Semicolons							
to join two independent clauses					Ε	Ε	Ε
to separate groups that contain commas					Ε	Μ	Μ
with conjunctive adverbs							Ε

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GRAMMAR	Κ	1	2	3	4	5	6
Parts of Speech							
noun		Ε	D	D	D	D	D
verb		Ε	D	D	D	D	D
pronoun		Ε	Ε	D	D	D	D
pronoun with clear antecedent						D	D
adjective		Ε	D	D	D	D	D
preposition						D	D
Understanding Sentences							
introductory phrases						D	D
prepositional phrases						D	D
Transition words		D			D	D	D
Compound sentences		D			D	D	D
Tense agreement		Ε			D	D	D
Subject/verb agreement				D	D	D	D
Interjections						D	D
Homonyms		Ε		D	D	D	D
Synonyms		Ε		D	D	D	D
Antonyms		Ε		D	D	D	D

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Student Notebook

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Preveiw sample pages of Fundations teacher and student materials.

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Structured Language Basics

It is important to teach students letter shapes, names and sounds so that they can use letters to develop phonemic awareness.

Phonemic awareness is the ability to focus on and manipulate phonemes in spoken words.

"Phoneme manipulation with letters helped normal developing readers and at risk readers acquire phonemic better than phonemic awareness instruction without letters"

The results of many studies concluded that explicit, systematic phonics instruction is a valuable and essential part of a successful reading program.

Nation Reading Panel Report

Underlying Principles for Successful Instruction

- Structured Language Basis (ability to manipulate phonemes however, this alone is not a reading program).
- Multi-sensory, Explicit, Systematic

(The hallmark of a systematic phonics approach or program is that a sequential set of phonics elements is delineated and these elements are taught explicitly.)

Review and Reinforcement

Introduction

 Fundations is recommended as part of a total literacy solution, including a literature-based language arts program and a Wilson Reading System® intervention and intensive program.



Who Is This System Designed For?

- Wilson Fundations for K-3 is a phonological/phonemic awareness, phonics and spelling program for the general education classroom.
- Fundations is based upon the Wilson Reading System® principles and serves as a prevention program to help reduce reading and spelling failure.
- Rather than completely replace core curriculum, Fundations provides the research-validated strategies that complement installed programs to meet federal standards and serve the needs of all children.



Fundations Bridging Phonics and Literacy

- Wilson Fundations makes learning to read fun while laying down the groundwork for life-long literacy. Fundations provides children of varying learning abilities with a foundation for reading and spelling. It provides teachers with the skills and tools needed to present a structured, sequential, and cumulative phonics/spelling program using multisensory teaching techniques.
- As a recognized leader in multisensory language programs, Wilson brings more than a decade of systematic and explicit instruction to the K-3 classroom.
 Wilson Fundations provides research-based materials and strategies essential to a comprehensive reading and writing program.

Fundations

A Wilson Language Basics K-3 Is a multi-sensory researched based program designed for students in the general education classroom.



Program Highlights

- Emphasis on systematic phonics and study of word structure
- Skills taught explicitly and systematically
- Instruction is cumulative and scaffolds presented skills
- Teachers model with "Echo" the owl puppet directing students to repeat sounds, words, and sentences
- Assessments monitor students throughout the program
- The manual provides direction for support staff to meet individual student needs
- Extensive practice provides multiple opportunities for skills application
- Home Support Packet encourages parental involvement

Skill Development

Each level of Fundations presents skills in a carefully structured scope and sequence. These build on previously taught skills and are brought forward cumulatively: from unit to unit, year to year.

- Letter Formation
- Phonological and Phonemic Awareness
- Sound Mastery
- Phonics
- Vocabulary
- Irregular (Trick) Word Instruction
- Fluency
- Comprehension
- Written Composition



Explicit Instruction

Sound/Symbol Relationship a

Blending and Segmenting

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Syllable Structure

Irregular Words

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Use Questioning Techniques Throughout the Lesson for Skill Reinforcement and Mastery

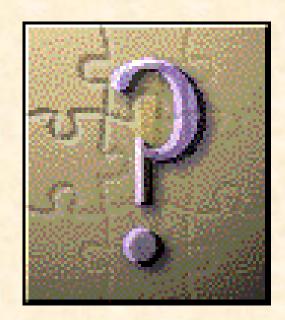
- "What is a diagraph?" (sh,ch,th,wh,ck)
- "How many sounds in a diagraph?"
- "How many sounds are in the word?"
- "Where is the blend"
- "Where is the nasal a sound?" (am) (an)
- "Is there a chicken letter?" (qu)
- "What is the bonus letter?"

Use Questioning Techniques for Error Correction

Questioning can be effective due to direct teaching and controlled text.

Examples of Errors:

- Tim had jet lag. (Tom)
- Chop (shop)



Directly question students how they can decode and spell words.

Have them express what they do in order to succeed. Be sure they "know what they know." (Metacognition)

How is Fundations Aligned with Reading First?

Addresses each of the five components (Phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension) required by reading first.

The Florida Center for Reading Research, one of three federally funded Reading First technical centers, conducted an independent review of Fundations and its effectiveness. The analysis confirmed the alignment with reading research, that Fundations addresses each of the five components required by Reading First (phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension), and noted no weaknesses in the program. Fundations is not considered a core program, however, it can be incorporated into Reading First grants as a supplemental prevention or early intervention program.



Establishing Good Habits

- Breaking the guessing habit and using skills
 - (tapping, notebook, keywords)
- Breaking down words to spell rather that trying to spell from memory
- Spelling orally before writing, and then again when writing
- Proofreading independently after writing a word or sentence
- Reading stories silently before reading aloud
- Retelling stories in sequence using visualization
- Provide students with a strategy



Children Are Successful



WEST HEMPSTEAD UFSD Curriculum Map (2012-2013)

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA WRITING

Grade	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
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1										
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3	Launching Writing Workshop	Raising the Quality of Narrative Writing	Realistic Fiction Writing	Opinion Writing: Persuasive Reviews and Speech/Letters	Informational Writing	Informational Writing Contd.	Poetry	Genre Studies	Genre Studies Cont.	Celebrating a Year of Writing and Building Momentum for next Year
4										
5										

Instructional Module Unit 1 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Launching the Writing Workshop Number of Lessons in Module: 20

Grade Level: 3

Module: In a productive writer's environment, students learn the process and steps to become proficient writers.

Content Understandings:

*Students will review strategies for collecting entries in a writer's notebook, selecting a seed idea, and then developing that seed idea into page long pieces.

*Students will choose one of their page long pieces and further develop them (outside the notebook) into published pieces, using the learned techniques taught in the mini lessons.

Essential Question(s):

* How do I choose a topic to write about?

* How do I further develop details without straying from the topic?

* What strategies do good writers use to produce a finished/published piece of writing?

* How do I choose vocabulary that will enhance my writing?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W.3.3. Write narratives to	Follow the writing process	Teacher will start the year by	Teacher/student conferencing.
develop real or imagined	detailed in Writer's	teaching and modeling the	
experiences or events using	Workshop.	writing process.	Teacher ongoing assessment of
effective technique, descriptive	-	(Brainstorming small	student growth in the writing
details, and clear event		moments, rehearsing &	process.
sequences. Establish a		drafting, revising, moving on,	-
situation and introduce a		revising for publication, and	
narrator and/or characters;		editing.)	

organize an event sequence	Students will be introduced to	Establish Writer's Workshop	
that unfolds naturally. Use	words and phrases used to	routines.	
dialogue and descriptions of	signal sequence of events.		
actions, thoughts, and feelings		Teacher will introduce specific	
to develop experiences and	Students will understand how	vocabulary for sequencing and	
events or show the response of	to use dialogue in their	linking ideas.	
characters to situations. Use	writing.	mixing iucas.	
temporal words and phrases	writing.	Teach and model strategies for	
to signal event order. Provide		using dialogue in writing.	
a sense of closure.	Students will understand and	using utalogue in writing.	
a sense of closure.			
I 21 Demonstrate command	apply the conventions of		
L.3.1. Demonstrate command	English grammar and usage in	Develop a close short of	
of the conventions of standard	writing.	Develop a class chart of	
English grammar and usage		English grammar conventions	
when writing or speaking.		and most common	
Explain the function of nouns,		grammatical confusions to	
pronouns, verbs, adjectives,	Vocabulary: Topic, draft,	assist students in their writing.	
and adverbs in general and	revise, edit, entry, seed,	Create a list of high frequency	
their functions in particular	publish, transition,	words. Develop a word wall of	
sentences. Form and use	brainstorming, dialogue,	vocabulary.	
regular and irregular plural	narrative.		
nouns. Use abstract nouns			
(e.g., <i>childhood</i>). Form and use			
regular and irregular verbs.			
Form and use the simple (e.g.,			
I walked; I walk; I will walk)			
verb tenses. Ensure subject-			
verb and pronoun-antecedent			
agreement. *Form and use			
comparative and superlative			
adjectives and adverbs, and			
choose between them			
depending on what is to be			
modified. Use coordinating			
and subordinating			
conjunctions. Produce simple,			
compound, and complex			

sentences.	
L.3.2. Demonstrate command	
of the conventions of standard	
English capitalization,	
punctuation, and spelling	
when writing. Capitalize	
appropriate words in titles.	
Use commas in addresses. Use	
commas and quotation marks	
in dialogue. Form and use	
possessives. Use conventional	
spelling for high-frequency	
and other studied words and	
for adding suffixes to base	
words (e.g., sitting, smiled,	
cries, happiness). Use spelling	
patterns and generalizations	
(e.g., word families, position-	
based spellings, syllable	
patterns, ending rules,	
meaningful word parts) in	
writing words. Consult	
reference materials, including	
beginning dictionaries, as	
needed to check and correct	
spellings.	
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W.3.4. With guidance and	
support from adults, produce writing in which the	
development and organization	
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are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific	
expectations for writing types	
are defined in standards 1–3	
above.)	

W.3.5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.		
W.3.6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact and collaborate with others.		

A Writer's Notebook: Unlocking the Writer Within You by Ralph Fletcher How a Book is Made by Aliki Dear Annie by Judith Casely My Basketball Book by Gail Gibbons How to Talk by Jean Craighead George When the Fireflies Come by Joanthan London A Night in the Country by Cynthia Rylant Gentle Giant Octopus by Karen Wallace Three Days on a River in a Red Canoe by Vera B. Williams

Professional Resources:

SchoolWide's Writing Fundamentals A Curricular Plan for The Writing Workshop, Grade 3 by Lucy Calkins

Instructional Module Unit 2 - Module 1 of 2

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Raising the Quality of Narrative Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 3-5

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will draw upon their personal experiences as a means to introduce narrative writing.

Content Understandings: Students will study mentor texts in partnerships and identify the qualities of strong narrative writing that these stories demonstrate.

Essential Question(s):

* How will I choose a small episode from my life that will have meaning?

*How can I tell the story in such a way that the reader feels they are also experiencing it?

*How can I convey strong feelings in the writing?

NYS Common Core Standards to be Met	Concept Understandings and Academic Vocabulary	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/ Evidence
W 3.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences. W 3.4 With guidance and support from adults, produce	Children look at texts that resemble the sort of thing they hope to write, raising their expectations for what it can mean to write powerful personal narrative.	Teacher will provide mentor texts that resemble what the students hope to write. (Read excerpt "Eleven" from <i>Woman Hollering</i> Creek by Sandra Cisneros).	Teacher/student conferencing along with group discussion. Students will debrief by naming what the teacher has demonstrated in a way that is transferable to others texts and other days. Ask students to list the main
support from adults, produce writing which the development and organization are appropriated to task and purpose.		Suggest children read first like "readers" (envisioning and experiencing the text) and then like "writers" (analyzing what the writing process).	Ask students to list the main things the author has done and then share these lists on a class chart.

W 3.5 With guidance and	Teacher will highlight	Students will reread that
support from peers and adults,	particular portions of the text	portion themselves and jot
develop and strengthen	where the author conveys	down words or phrases that
writing as needed by planning	strong feelings using figurative	demonstrate how the author
revising and editing.	and descriptive language.	truly showed feelings visually
		instead of just telling feelings.
W 3.6 With guidance and		Students will add to the class
support from adults, use		chart
technology to produce and		
publish writing as well as to	Teacher will reiterate the	Students will independently
interact and collaborate with	teaching point using other	find and read other mentor
others.	mentor texts.	texts that illustrate the same
ould's.	mentor texts.	teaching point. Students will
		conference with teacher and
		each other.
		each other.

<u>House on Mango Street</u> by Sandra Cisneros <u>Woman Hollering Creek</u> by Sandra Cisneros

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Instructional Module Unit 2 - Module 2 of 2

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Raising the Quality of Narrative Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 10-15

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will learn strategies for generating narrative ideas

Content Understandings: Students will think of a person, place, or thing that matters to them and list these clear small moments. Students will then choose one of these small moments and turn it into a personal narrative. Students will use the already learned strategies for generating narrative writing represented throughout the classroom through charts.

Essential Question(s):

*How do I select one of my small moments to develop into a personal narrative using the strategies I already have learned? *How do I determine that I've used strong descriptive and visual language to convey strong feelings rather than just telling those feelings?

NYS Common Core Standards to be Met	Concept Understandings and Academic Vocabulary	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/ Evidence
W 3.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	When writers want to generate ideas for personal narratives, writers must think of turning points.	Teacher will brainstorm and create a list/chart of his/own own personal turning point moments to model.	Students will make a list of turning point moments of their own in their Writer's Notebooks.
W 3.4 With guidance and support from adults, produce writing which the development and organization are appropriated to task and purpose.	Understanding the relevance of sequence in writing.	Teacher will choose one of his/her small moments and write the sequence of events that lead up to that particular small moment event.	Students will choose one of their own small moments and also write the sequence of events that lead up to that particular small moment event.

W 3.5 With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning revising and editing.	Students will understand when to use paragraphs in narrative writing.	Teacher will collaborate with students to make a classroom chart bulleting when to use paragraphs in narrative writing. Teacher will read mentor texts modeling the use of paragraphs in writing.	Teacher will conference with students to asses their growth in using paragraphs in their writing as they develop their small moments.
	Students will revise and edit their personal narratives.	Teacher and students will collaborate and create a chart to outline the steps in and what to look for when revising and editing writing.	Teacher/student conferencing to see if students are editing and revising their work with proficiency.
W 3.6 With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others.	Publishing through use of technology.	Students will use a Word Processing program to publish their finish work.	The students' finished piece of narrative writing is published.

<u>Sarah, Plain and Tall</u> by Patricia McClaughlin <u>Peter's Chair</u> by Eza Jack Keats <u>Homesick</u> by Jean Fritz *and other classroom library pieces*

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Instructional Module Unit 3 - Module 1 of 3

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Writing Fiction Number of Lessons in Module: 2-3

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will learn how to select and develop a story idea for fictional writing.

Content Understandings:

Students will develop story ideas by using everyday moments from their lives, past writing, and the world around them.

Essential Question(s): *How do I choose a story idea to write about? *How do I develop ideas for that story?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.3 Write narrative to	Writers get ideas for fiction by	Teacher will read a portion of	Students will practice by
develop real or imagined	paying close attention to our	a fictional piece aloud and talk	scanning their own notebooks
experiences or events using	lives.	about how the author may	for stories that could grow into
effective technique, descriptive		have conceived that idea from	fictional pieces.
details and clear event		real life experience.	
sequences.			
		Teacher will also demonstrate	Teacher/student conferencing
		rereading their own notebook	to examine choices made.
		for small moments that could	
W 3.4 With guidance and		be seeds to a fictional story.	
support from adults, produce			
writing which the development		Teacher will choose his/her	Collaboration by teacher and
and organization are		own seed and model how to	students to develop the
appropriated to task and		develop it into a fictional	teacher's piece as a model.
purpose.		piece.	

Professional Resources:

SchoolWide's Writing Fundamentals A Curricular Plan for The Writing Workshop, Grade 3 by Lucy Calkins

Instructional Module Unit 3 - Module 2 of 3

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Fictional Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 3-5

Grade Level: 3

Module: Developing believable characters

Content Understandings: Students will be able to develop a character by listing external and internal features and traits of that character. Students will give characters struggles and motivations.

Essential Question(s): *How can I develop my character's features and traits? *What are my characters desires and struggles?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.3 Write narratives to	Students will develop a		
develop real or imagined	character so that all the		
experiences or events using	character's parts fit together	Teacher and students	
effective technique, descriptive	logically to make a coherent	collaborate on creating a main	
details, and clear event	person.	character for a story for	
sequences.		modeling purposes.	
	Students will understand what		
W 3.4 With guidance and	the external and internal		Group
support from adults, produce	features and traits of a		participation/collaboration
writing which the development	character are.	Teacher will read aloud a	and discussion.
and organization are		published text to model.	
appropriated to task and	Students will develop a		
purpose.	complex character who wants	Teacher and students will	
	something and encounters	collaborate on creating a	
	difficulties along the way.	fictional class story with this	
		character as the main	
		character.	

<u>Charlotte's Web</u> by E.B. White <u>Peter's Chair</u> by Ezra Jack Keats <u>Bird by Bird</u> by Annie Lamott <u>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</u> by C.S. Lewis *Other favorite fictional pieces for your classroom library*

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Instructional Module Unit 3 - Module 3 of 3

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Fictional Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 3-5

Grade Level: 3

Module: Story Elements of Fiction

Content Understandings: Students will understand how to plan a plot line. Students will be able create a setting for their fictional piece.

Essential Question(s): *How do I use a story mountain to help plan the plot of the story? *How do I create a setting for my story so that the reader doesn't feel disoriented?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.3 Write narratives to	Students will learn to use a	Using a mentor text, teacher	
develop real or imagined	story mountain to plot their	and students will develop a	
experiences or events using	story.	story mountain to see how the	
effective technique, descriptive		author planned the plot of the	
details, and clear event		story.	Student collaboration and
sequences.			participation.
		Using the class story, students	
W 3.4 With guidance and		and teacher will develop a	
support from adults, produce		story mountain.	
writing which the development			
and organization are		Students will develop their	Students will work with
appropriated to task and		own story mountain based	partners to share and assess
purpose.		upon the seed they have	their story mountains with
		chosen for their fictional piece.	each other and then revise
		-	them.
	Students will understand how	Teacher will read the class	
	to create a setting for the	story aloud in order to model	

	story.	for the students its need for a setting so that the reader will not be disoriented. Teacher and students will collaborate on creating a setting for the class story. Students will create a setting for their own story.	Students will work with partners to share and assess their story setting with each other and then revise and editing them as needed.
W 3.5 With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning revising and editing.	Publishing through use of technology.	Students will use a Word Processing program to publish their finish work.	The students' finished piece of narrative writing is published.
W 3.6 With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others.			

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Instructional Module Unit 4 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Opinion Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 12

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will learn the process and steps to writing a persuasive piece.

Content Understandings: Students will be able to identify the elements of a persuasive piece. Students will be able to elaborate their thinking, structure their arguments, and introduce counter arguments as a persuasive skill.

Essential Question(s):

* How do I persuade others to believe what I believe?

* How do I structure my writing so that I am most effective?

NYS Common Core Standards to be Met	Concept Understandings and Academic Vocabulary	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/ Evidence
W 3.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.	Students will be able to state an opinion and give reasons to support it; create an organizational structure for	Teacher and students will read published reviews such as movie reviews, restaurant reviews, and product reviews	
W 3.4 With guidance and support from adults, produce writing which the development and organization are appropriated to task and purpose.	those reasons and use linking words and phrases to help readers access that structure.	in order to understand how a review is written and what makes a review effective. Teacher will create a shared experience, such as a "tasting test" or the like, so that	Students will share their reviews aloud and allow for discussion.
W 3.5 With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning revising and editing.		clusters of students can work on creating shared reviews to promote whatever it is that they like best. Teacher will provide students	

		with an organizational structure for writing opinion pieces to meet the Common Core State Standards. Students will choose a topic to write a persuasive piece, review, using one of the organizational structures they've been taught.	Student/teacher conferencing.
		Teacher will reinforce the importance of including specific details and language that is effective when writing a persuasive review.	Students will then revise the prior review by adding the specific details and language modeled by the teacher.
W 3.6 With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others.	Publishing through use of technology.	Students will use a Word Processing program to publish their finish work.	The students' finished piece of narrative writing is published.

Assortment of newspaper reviews, magazine reviews, online reviews.

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Instructional Module Unit 5/6 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Informational Writing Number of Lessons in Module: 25 (Jan./Feb.)

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will be able to demonstrate the ability to introduce a topic clearly, separate it into subtopics, and organize their writing in separate pages so that appropriate information is grouped inside these subtopics.

Content Understandings: Students will be able to inform and teach readers about a particular topic by creating effective informational texts.

Essential Question(s):

* How will I choose a topic?

* What strategies will I use to gather information on my topic?

* What text structure will I use to convey my information?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.2 Write	Students will generate	Teacher will teach strategies	Teacher/student conference to
informative/explanatory text	notebook entries on topics	for choosing topics of expertise	review lists of possible topics.
to examine a topic and convey	they know a great deal about.	either in small group, whole	
ideas and information clearly.		class or on-on-one	
		conferencing.	
W 3.4 With guidance and			
support from adults, produce	Students will understand how	Teacher will review and help	
writing which the development	to plan and execute	students plan how the	
and organization are	information on the topic	chapters might be organized	
appropriated to task and	they've chosen to write about.	using text structures that	
purpose.		students should be familiar	
		with from Science and Social	
W 3.5 With guidance and		Studies.	

 support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning revising and editing. W 3.6 With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others. W 3.7 Conduct short research project that build knowledge about a topic. W 3.8 Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digit sources. Take brief notes of sources and sort evidence into provided categories. 	Students will further explore a variety of informational writing.	Teacher will help students decide which chapters have enough information and which either need bolstering or, if that's not possible, need to be omitted. Teacher will help students draft their informational books with support depending on their level of competency. (Students will revise and edit their work for finished product.) Teacher will introduce observational writing, sketching with labels and captions, and a concluding section as Common Core State Standards expect third grade information writers to include illustrations and other text features along with the written text o help reader understands the content.	Students will produce an informational book (project) to present to the class.
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Professional Resources:

A Curricular Plan for The Writing Workshop, Grade 3 by Lucy Calkins

Instructional Module Units 7/8 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Genre Studies Number of Lessons in Module: 30+ (Mar./Apr.)

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will be able to write quickly in the genres they'll see on the state test.

Content Understandings: Students will review strategies so they are able to write quickly in a variety of genres, with a consciousness of craft specific to that genre.

Essential Question(s):

* How can I write accurately, effectively and quickly when responding to a variety of genres that I've learned this year?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.1 Write opinion pieces on	Students will revisit a variety	Teacher will use mentor texts	Throughout this unit, there
topics or texts, supporting a	of genres in preparation for	to review figurative language	should be written assessments
point of view with reasons.	the ELA State tests.	used in poetry and poetic	for each area of review for the
		structure.	State ELA test
W 3.2 Write			
informative/explanatory text		Teacher will review how to	
to examine a topic and convey		interpret a "how-to" text,	
ideas and information clearly.		including review of sequence	
		and attention to detail.	
W 3.3 Write narratives to			
develop real or imagined		Teacher will review the style	
experiences or events using		of an interview, in which	
effective technique, descriptive		information is exchange	
details, and clear event		through question and answer.	
sequences.			
		Teacher will review folktales	

	by using mentor texts so students can determine the lesson learned, problems encountered, problems solved.	
	Teacher will use published material to review identifying main idea and supporting details, as well as other reading comprehension skills, when reading and writing about informational articles.	

Various ELA State Preparation books

Professional Resources:

A Curricular Plan for The Writing Workshop, Grade 3 by Lucy Calkins

Instructional Module Unit 9 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Poetry Number of Lessons in Module: 20

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will develop an understanding and appreciation of playing with the language of poetry.

Content Understandings: Students will develop a greater understanding of language and appreciation of not just what the author of a text is saying, but how that text gets meaning across.

Essential Question(s):

* What is the author trying to say?

* What literary elements is the author using in the poetry?

* How can I develop my notebook entries into poetic form?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.3 Write narratives to	Students will understand the	Teacher will immerse the	Group participation and
develop real or imagined	process of writing poetry.	students in touchstone texts in	discussion.
experiences or events using		order to assure that the	
effective technique, descriptive		students are able to read	
details, and clear event		poems well and thoughtfully	
sequences.		as well as how to use those	
		poems as mentors.	
W 3.4 With guidance and			
support from adults, produce		Teacher will introduce/review	Written assessment
writing which the development		several strategies and poetic	
and organization are		styles and show how poets	
appropriated to task and		don't wait for revision, but are	
purpose.		revising, rethinking and	
		reworking constantly as they	
W 3.5 With guidance and		are writing.	
support from peers and adults,			

develop and strengthen	Students will choose one of	Teacher observation and
writing as needed by planning	their notebook entries to	conferencing.
revising and editing.	develop into a poem, using the	
	poetic form of their choosing.	
W 3.6 With guidance and		
support from adults, use	Students will work with a	
technology to produce and	partner for feedback and	
publish writing as well as to	recommendations and peer	
interact and collaborate with	coaching.	
others.		
	Students will produce an	Publish and present anthology
	anthology of their work.	to peers.
	Teacher will guide students on	
	how to select poems for their	
	anthology.	

Suggested Module Resources: Poetry from your classroom library. Honey, I love by Eloise Greenfield Hey World, Here I am by Jean Little A Writing kind of Day by Ralph Fletcher

Professional Resources:

Awakening the Heart: Exploring Poetry in Elementary and Middle School by Georgia Heard The Revision Toolbox: Teaching Techniques that work by Georgia heard A Note Slipped Under the Door: Teaching from Poems we love by Nick Flynn and Shirley McPhillips

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Instructional Module Unit 10 - Module 1 of 1

Content Area: Grade 3 ELA Writing Unit of Study: Celebrating a Year of Writing and Building Momentum for Next Year Number of Lessons in Module: 5-8

Grade Level: 3

Module: Students will celebrate the work they have produced and the great strides they have made as writers.

Content Understandings: Students will reflect on the year's journey in writing. Students will share the process that enhanced their growth as writers. Students will share their before and after pieces.

Essential Question(s):

* How did choose which pieces to revisit and revise? *How did I grow as a writer? * How did I refine my skills within the writing process?

NYS Common Core	Concept Understandings	Instructional Suggestions	Suggested Assessments/
Standards to be Met	and Academic Vocabulary		Evidence
W 3.10 Write routinely over	Students will understand and	Teacher will put students in	Teacher will facilitate and
extended time frames (time for	be able to articulate the	partner pairs to discuss and	observe conversations.
research, reflection, and	revision process.	share with one another their	
revision) and shorter time		journey as growing writers.	
frames (a single sitting or a			
day or two) for a range of		Teacher will create a	Teacher observation.
discipline-specific tasks,	Students will be able to	celebration where students	
purposes and audiences.	understand and articulate	share their before and after	
	their growth as writers.	pieces and take their	
		classmates on their journey of	
W 3.6 With guidance and		revision, sharing what made	
support from adults, use		them decide to revise the	
technology to produce and		particular pieces and how they	
publish writing as well as to		chose to revise them.	

interact and collaborate with others.	Teacher and students will invite outside guests to share in their celebration as growin writers.	Display students' finished writing. g
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