

College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language (K-12)

Conventions of Standard English

- 1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. 1
- 2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. 2

Knowledge of Language

- 3 Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. 3

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

- 4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate. 4
- 5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. 5
- 6 Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression. 6