

6th Grade Essentials

Language Arts - Reading

- ✓ Reads and learns meanings of unfamiliar words and phrases
- ✓ Self-monitors comprehension by using and discussing reading strategies used to increase comprehension
- ✓ Analyzes bias and stereotyping techniques authors use to express a point of view
- ✓ Identifies persuasion techniques in texts and speaking
- ✓ Poses relevant questions with a scope narrow enough to result in a focused topic
- ✓ Locates and gathers information, using organization features of printed and electronic text
- ✓ Organizes information from texts through the use of graphic organizers, note-taking, paraphrasing, and summarizing
- ✓ Identifies major and minor themes in literature
- ✓ Identifies elements of narrative structure, including setting, character, plot, conflict, and theme

Language Arts - Writing

- ✓ Uses planning strategies to generate and organize ideas: brainstorming, webbing, mapping, clustering, listing, questioning, and outlining
- ✓ Composes, using the “6+1 TM Traits of Writing”
- ✓ Revises, writing for clarity, using rereading, reflecting, rethinking, rewriting
- ✓ Creates published documents with legible handwriting
- ✓ Identifies subject/predicate sentence structure and develops simple and compound sentences
- ✓ Proofreads and edits for correct grammatical structures in writing
- ✓ Edits for spelling and vocabulary usage
- ✓ Uses conventions of punctuation and capitalization
- ✓ Proofreads and edits for mechanics and conventions
- ✓ Creates bibliography and works-cited list for written projects and oral presentations