

4th Grade Enduring Understandings and Essential Questions

Enduring Understandings

- ✓ Reading for meaning requires imagining conversations with and questioning of the author, which is very different from passively reading words.
- ✓ The reward of writing is seeing readers' responses to the writer's message.
- ✓ Writers show respect to the reader by correcting all grammar, punctuation, and spelling errors before publishing and sharing with audiences.
- ✓ Readers develop opinions from what they read; some opinions are more supportable by the text than others.
- ✓ Skilled researchers employ strategies to help them research information.
- ✓ Authors use different techniques/strategies to engage readers.

Essential Questions

- ✓ What is my definition of reading? Why do I read?
- ✓ Why do writers write?
- ✓ How do grammar, punctuation, and spelling impact a writer's message?
- ✓ What evidence supports my opinions?
- ✓ In what ways do researchers gather and share information?
- ✓ How do effective authors hook and hold readers? What makes literature great?

Essential Vocabulary

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Reading

Inference

Reading rate

Author's purpose

Conflict themes	Point of view	Climax
Man vs man	First person	Abridge
Man vs nature	Third person	Active voice
Man vs society	Omniscient	Adage
Man vs self	Sources	Hook
Realistic fiction	Historical fiction	Science fiction
Paraphrase	Theme	Main idea
Language		
Abstract noun	Helping verb	Sources
Hook—introduction	Opinion	Writing process
Idiom	Simile	Metaphor
Ellipses		

Descartes:: 2013 Vocabulary for the MAP System

Reading Vocabulary: 201-210

Acronym	Figurative language	Personification
Alliteration	Guide letters	Persuasion
Annotated bibliography	Homonym	Picture book
Autobiography	Idiom	Satire
Book review	Instruction	Scene
Dialogue	Library	Secondary source
Evaluate	Literary device	Simile
Exposition	Literary	Symbolism
Falling action	Memoirs	Thesis paper
Feeling	Parable	

Language Usage Vocabulary: 201-210

Allusion	Direct object	Mystery
Antecedent	Direct quotation	Parallelism
Argumentative	Exclamatory sentence	Parentheses
Autobiography	Figurative language	Periodical
Book title	Formal language	Process essay
Caret	Fragment	Rough draft
Cluster	Freewrite	Satire
Comma splice	Humor	Simile
Complex sentence	Imperative sentence	Simple sentence
Compound-complex sentence	Interrogative sentence	Syntax
Declarative sentence	Introductory sentence	Thesis statement
Dependent clause	Language	Verb phrase
	Linking verb	word choice