

6th Grade Enduring Understandings and Essential Questions

Enduring Understandings

- ✓ Accomplished readers comprehend texts by reading fluently, strategically, and critically.
- ✓ Writing is a flexible and recursive process that encompasses identifying purposes and audiences, planning, drafting, revision, editing, and publishing. Frequent practice, coupled with teacher and self-evaluation, is critical.
- ✓ Writers choose to spend time ensuring all grammar and punctuation is accurate to show respect for readers.
- ✓ A writer or speaker's point of view is influenced by experience.
- ✓ Accomplished researchers employ strategies to help them research information.
- ✓ Sometimes, authors make meaning plain; often, however, a reader must dig beneath the "surface" of the text to find the meaning.

Essential Questions

- ✓ How does reading strategically, critically, and fluently help me understand and enjoy reading?
- ✓ How do real writers/authors write?
- ✓ How does publishing an error-free document demonstrate respect?
- ✓ What is the author's angle or perspective?
- ✓ What research strategies are most critical to me as a researcher?
- ✓ What lies beneath the surface of texts?

Essential Vocabulary

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Reading

Acronym

Almanac

Anecdote

Excerpt

Foreshadowing

Memoir

Stanza	Annotated Bibliography	Footnote
Assonance Exposition	Consonance	
Falling action	Flashback	Irony
Literary device source	Literary element	Primary
Pun	Secondary source	Thesis paper
Omniscient	Stereotype	
Language		
Figurative language	Literary analysis	Editorial
Expository possessive	Parallelism	Plural
Subordinate clause	Tone	Transition
Verse	Visualize	

Descartes: 2013 Vocabulary for the MAP System

Reading Vocabulary: 211-220

Assonance	Flashback	Irony
Characterization	Foreshadowing	Onomatopoeia
Consonance	Headline	Persuasive
Contrast	Homophone	Pun
Coupon	Imagery	Tale
Episode	Intent	Word play

Language Usage Vocabulary: 211-220

Analyze	Independent clause	Persuasive Argument
Application	Limerick	Present participle
Common noun	Main Clause	Prewrite

Contrast

Expository writing

Format

How-to essay

Imagery

Modifier

Noun clause

Organization

Participial

Participle

Prewriting

Rhetorical question

To explain

Transition

Verse