

7th Grade
Reading Comprehension -- Narrative
(with grade-appropriate text)

	3 (Basic)	4 (Proficient)	5 (Advanced)
LA 7.1.6.a Author's Purpose	Identify the author's purpose and perspective in selected text.	Analyze the meaning, reliability, and validity of the text considering author's purpose and perspective.	Evaluate the meaning, reliability, and validity of the text by making text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections.
LA 7.1.6.b Narrative Text	Identify the following elements of narrative text: character, setting, plot, conflict, point of view, and theme.	Analyze the following elements of narrative text: character development, setting, plot development, conflict, point of view, inferred and recurring themes.	Evaluate the following elements of narrative text: character development, setting, plot development, conflict, point of view, inferred and recurring themes by making text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections.
LA 7.1.6.c Literary Devices	Identify author's use of literary devices, e.g., foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashback, suspense, symbolism, and irony.	Analyze author's use of the following literary devices: foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashback, suspense, symbolism, and irony.	Evaluate author's use of the following literary devices: foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashback, suspense, symbolism, irony, transitional devices.
LA 7.1.6.g Inferences	Make inferences based on the characteristics of narrative or informational genres (e.g. textbooks, myths, fantasies, science fiction, drama, periodicals, essays).	Explain inferences based on the characteristics of narrative or informational genres (e.g. textbooks, myths, fantasies, science fiction, drama, periodicals, essays).	Analyze and evaluate inferences based on the characteristics of narrative and informational genres.
LA 7.1.6.h Context	Cite the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.	Explain the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.	Analyze and make inferences and text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections based on the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.
LA 7.1.6.j Questioning	Answer literal, inferential, critical, and interpretive questions.	Generate and answer literal, inferential, critical, and interpretive questions, analyzing or synthesizing prior knowledge, information from the text, and additional sources to support.	Generate and answer inferential, critical, and interpretive questions, analyzing or synthesizing prior knowledge with information from the text, and applying to other situations and/or texts.

8th Grade
Reading Comprehension – Narrative
(with grade-appropriate text)

	3 (Basic)	4 (Proficient)	5 (Advanced)
LA 8.1.6.a Author’s Purpose	Identify the author’s purpose and perspective (within the story).	Analyze the meaning, reliability, and validity of the text considering author’s purpose and perspective and information from additional sources.	Analyze and evaluate the meaning, reliability, and validity of the text by making text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections.
LA 8.1.6.b Narrative Text	Identify the following elements of narrative text: character, setting, plot, conflict, point of view, and theme.	Identify and analyze the following elements of narrative text: character development, setting, plot development, conflict, point of view, inferred and recurring themes.	Analyze and evaluate the following elements of narrative text: character development, setting, plot development, conflict, point of view, inferred and recurring themes by making text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections.
LA 8.1.6.c Literary Devices	Identify author’s use of the following literary devices: foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashbacks, suspense, symbolism, and irony.	Identify and analyze author’s use of the following literary devices: foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashbacks, suspense, symbolism, irony, transitional devices.	Analyze and evaluate author’s use of the following literary devices: foreshadowing, personification, idiom, oxymoron, hyperbole, flashbacks, suspense, symbolism, irony, transitional devices.
LA 8.1.6.g Inferences	Make inferences based on the characteristics of narrative or informational genres (e.g. textbooks, myths, fantasies, science fiction, drama, periodicals, essays).	Make and explain inferences based on the characteristics of narrative or informational genres (e.g. textbooks, myths, fantasies, science fiction, drama, periodicals, essays).	Analyze and evaluate inferences based on the characteristics of narrative and informational genres.
LA 8.1.6.h Perspective	Cite the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.	Explain the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.	Analyze and make inferences and text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections based on the social, historical, cultural, and biographical influences in a variety of genres.
LA 8.1.6.j Questioning	Answer literal, inferential, critical, and interpretive questions.	Generate and answer literal, inferential, critical, and interpretive questions, analyzing or synthesizing prior knowledge, information from the text, and additional sources to support.	Generate and answer inferential, critical, and interpretive questions, analyzing or synthesizing prior knowledge with information from the text, and applying to other situations and/or texts.