

Standard II	Standard Text	Edgenuity Lesson Name
CC.RL.8.	Reading Standards for Literature	
	Key Ideas and Details	
RL.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman"  Everyday Heroes: Poems by Nikki Giovanni Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run"  Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag" Dramatic Structure in Monster Characters in Monster Bravery and Resistance: The Diary of Anne Frank Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain" Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's The Land Viewpoint and Motivation in The Land Historical Setting and Theme in The Land Direct and Indirect Characterization in The Land Dialogue and Action in The Land Chance and Choice: Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken" Setting and Conflict in "The Lottery"



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RL.8.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text,	Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman"
	including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the	Theme and Conflict in The Diary of Anne Frank
	text.	Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain"
		Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres
		Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's The
		Land
		Historical Setting and Theme in The Land
		Direct and Indirect Characterization in The
		Land
		Dialogue and Action in The Land
		Chance and Choice: Robert Frost's "The Road
		Not Taken"
		Suspense in "The Lady, or the Tiger?"
		Character and Perspective in Two Short Stories
		The Promise of America: Different Genres'
		Approaches to the Same Topic
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RL.8.3.	Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story or drama propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision.	Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman" Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run" Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag" Dramatic Structure in Monster Characters in Monster Bravery and Resistance: The Diary of Anne Frank Theme and Conflict in The Diary of Anne Frank Anne Frank's The Diary of a Young Girl Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's The Land Historical Setting and Theme in The Land Direct and Indirect Characterization in The Land Dialogue and Action in The Land Suspense in "The Lady, or the Tiger?" Character and Perspective in Two Short Stories
RL.8.a.	Grade 8 students will analyze how a cultural work of literature, including oral tradition, draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types, and how the differing structure of the text contributes to society, past or present.	Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman" Everyday Heroes: Poems by Nikki Giovanni Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run" Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag" Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain" Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's The Land Viewpoint and Motivation in The Land Historical Setting and Theme in The Land Direct and Indirect Characterization in The Land Dialogue and Action in The Land Allusion and Metaphor in "I, Too, Sing America



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RL.8.b.	Grade 8 students will analyze works of Hispanic and Native American text by showing how it reflects	Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag'
	the heritage, traditions, attitudes, and beliefs of the author and how it applies to society.	Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain"
RL.8.c.	Grade 8 students will use oral or written texts from various cultures, cite textual evidence that	Lives of Commitment: Narrative of the Life of
	supports or negates reader inference of a cultural value.	Frederick Douglass
		Making Inferences in Narrative of the Life of
		Frederick Douglass
		Harriet Tubman, Conductor on the
		Underground Railroad: Rhetoric
		Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman"
		Everyday Heroes: Poems by Nikki Giovanni
		Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run"
		Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag'
		We Shall Not Be Moved: Monitoring
		Comprehension
		Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain"
		Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks"
		Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's The Land
		Viewpoint and Motivation in The Land
		Historical Setting and Theme in The Land
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	Craft and Structure	
RL.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	Everyday Heroes: Poems by Nikki Giovanni Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag" Chance and Choice: Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken" Allusion and Metaphor in "I, Too, Sing America"
RL.8.5.	Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.	Anne Frank's The Diary of a Young Girl The Promise of America: Different Genres' Approaches to the Same Topic Out of Many, One: Rhetoric in The Gettysburg Address and "O Captain! My Captain!"
RL.8.6.	Analyze how differences in the points of view of the characters and the audience or reader (e.g., created through the use of dramatic irony) create such effects as suspense or humor.	Characters in Monster Viewpoint and Motivation in The Land Suspense in "The Lady, or the Tiger?" Setting and Conflict in "The Lottery" Character and Perspective in Two Short Stories
	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	
RL.8.7.	Analyze the extent to which a filmed or live production of a story or drama stays faithful to or departs from the text or script, evaluating the choices made by the director or actors.	Suspense in "The Lady, or the Tiger?"
RL.8.8.	(Not applicable to literature)	
RL.8.9.	Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new.	Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag"



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	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
RL.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the	Themes in Poetry: "Harriet Tubman"
	high end of grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	Everyday Heroes: Poems by Nikki Giovanni
		Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run"
		Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag
		Dramatic Structure in Monster
		Characters in Monster
		Bravery and Resistance: The Diary of Anne Frank
		Theme and Conflict in The Diary of Anne Fran Anne Frank's The Diary of a Young Girl
		Identity and Belonging in "Broken Chain"
		Conflict and Character in Mildred Taylor's Th
		Land
		Viewpoint and Motivation in The Land
		Historical Setting and Theme in The Land
		Direct and Indirect Characterization in The Land
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		Voice and Characters in "Raymond's Run"
		Conflict and Symbolism in "The Medicine Bag"
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CC.RI.8.	Reading Standards for Informational Text	
	Key Ideas and Details	
RI.8.1.	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	Introduction to Heroism and American Heroes Cause and Effect in The Great Fire Themes in The Great Fire Making Inferences in Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass Viewpoint and Inferences in Anne Frank Remembered Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks"
RI.8.2.	Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.	Introduction to Heroism and American Heroes Elizabeth Cady Stanton's Early Influences Cause and Effect in The Great Fire Themes in The Great Fire Setting Goals: Evaluating a Speech by Randy Pausch Central Ideas in The Building of Manhattan Audio Report: Remembering Miep Gies Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks" Text Structure in an Informational Text Synthesizing Ideas in an Informational Text Connecting Multimedia to an Informational Text Evaluating Different Media about Food Safety Analyzing a Claim in a Text about Edward Jenner Description and Author's Purpose in Travels with Charley



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RI.8.3.	Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).	Harriet Tubman, Conductor on the Underground Railroad: Rhetoric We Shall Not Be Moved: Monitoring Comprehension Setting Goals: Evaluating a Speech by Randy Pausch Audio Report: Remembering Miep Gies Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks" Text Structure in an Informational Text Synthesizing Ideas in an Informational Text Analyzing a Claim in a Text about Edward Jenner
	Craft and Structure	
RI.8.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	Analyzing Language in a Personal Narrative Anne Frank's The Diary of a Young Girl Setting Big Goals: Text Features and Organization in an Informational Text Problem-Solution Structure and Tone in an Informational Text Description and Author's Purpose in Travels with Charley Out of Many, One: Rhetoric in The Gettysbur Address and "O Captain! My Captain!"



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RI.8.5.	Analyze in detail the structure of a specific paragraph in a text, including the role of particular	Harriet Tubman, Conductor on the
	sentences in developing and refining a key concept.	Underground Railroad: Rhetoric
		Setting Goals: Evaluating a Speech by Randy
		Pausch
		Viewpoint and Inferences in Anne Frank
		Remembered
		Setting Big Goals: Text Features and
		Organization in an Informational Text
		Text Structure in an Informational Text
		Problem-Solution Structure and Tone in an
		Informational Text
		Description and Author's Purpose in Travels
		with Charley
		Rhetoric in Dr. King's "The American Dream"
RI.8.6.	Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author acknowledges	Introduction to Heroism and American Heroe
	and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints.	Elizabeth Cady Stanton's Early Influences
		Making Inferences in Narrative of the Life of
		Frederick Douglass
		We Shall Not Be Moved: Monitoring
		Comprehension
		Setting Goals: Evaluating a Speech by Randy
		Pausch
		Viewpoint and Inferences in Anne Frank
		Remembered
		Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks"
		The Promise of America: Different Genres'
		Approaches to the Same Topic
		Emotional Appeal in Years of Dust
		Rhetoric in Dr. King's "The American Dream"
		Comparing Argument Techniques in Two
		Speeches



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	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	
RI.8.7.	Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums (e.g., print or digital text, video, multimedia) to present a particular topic or idea.	Central Ideas in The Building of Manhattan Anne Frank's The Diary of a Young Girl Audio Report: Remembering Miep Gies Synthesizing Ideas in an Informational Text Connecting Multimedia to an Informational Text Evaluating Different Media about Food Safety Out of Many, One: Rhetoric in The Gettysburg Address and "O Captain! My Captain!" Emotional Appeal in Years of Dust
RI.8.8.	Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; recognize when irrelevant evidence is introduced.	Harriet Tubman, Conductor on the Underground Railroad: Rhetoric Analyzing a Claim in a Text about Edward Jenner The Promise of America: Different Genres' Approaches to the Same Topic Rhetoric in Dr. King's "The American Dream"
RI.8.9.	Analyze a case in which two or more texts provide conflicting information on the same topic and identify where the texts disagree on matters of fact or interpretation.	Comparing Argument Techniques in Two Speeches
RI.8.a.	Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will distinguish between primary and secondary sources.	Combining Sources to Understand the Life of Abraham Lincoln
RI.8.b.	Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will describe how the media use propaganda, bias, and stereotyping to influence audiences.	Emotional Appeal in Years of Dust



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	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	
RI.8.10.	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	Introduction to Heroism and American Heroe Elizabeth Cady Stanton's Early Influences Cause and Effect in The Great Fire Themes in The Great Fire Lives of Commitment: Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass Making Inferences in Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass We Shall Not Be Moved: Monitoring Comprehension Setting Goals: Evaluating a Speech by Randy Pausch Central Ideas in The Building of Manhattan Viewpoint and Inferences in Anne Frank Remembered Audio Report: Remembering Miep Gies Descriptive Word Choice in "Fish Cheeks" The Promise of America: Different Genres' Approaches to the Same Topic Description and Author's Purpose in Travels with Charley Out of Many, One: Rhetoric in The Gettysburg Address and "O Captain! My Captain!" Combining Sources to Understand the Life of Abraham Lincoln Emotional Appeal in Years of Dust Rhetoric in Dr. King's "The American Dream" Comparing Argument Techniques in Two Speeches



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CC.W.8.	Writing Standards	
	Text Types and Purposes	
W.8.1.	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	
W.8.1(a)	Introduce claim(s), acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.	Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Structuring an Effective Argument
W.8.1(b)	Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.	Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Structuring an Effective Argument
W.8.1(c)	Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.	Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Structuring an Effective Argument
W.8.1(d)	Establish and maintain a formal style.	Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Structuring an Effective Argument
W.8.1(e)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.	Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Structuring an Effective Argument



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W.8.2.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.	
W.8.2(a)	Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
W.8.2(b)	Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing to Analyze Conflict Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
W.8.2(c)	Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.	Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
W.8.2(d)	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing to Analyze Conflict Writing a Procedure for a Presentation



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W.8.2(e)	Establish and maintain a formal style.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
W.8.2(f)	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing to Analyze Conflict Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
W.8.3.	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.	
W.8.3(a)	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.	Writing a Personal Narrative about an Important Person Writing Using Descriptive Details and Context
W.8.3(b)	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.	Writing Using Descriptive Details and Context
W.8.3(c)	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.	Writing a Personal Narrative about an Important Person
W.8.3(d)	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.	Writing Using Descriptive Details and Context



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W.8.3(e)	Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.	Writing a Personal Narrative about an Important Person
	Production and Distribution of Writing	
W.8.4.	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing a Personal Narrative about an Important Person Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing a Convincing Argument Writing to Analyze Literary Devices Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing to Analyze Conflict Writing Using Descriptive Details and Context Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care Writing a Procedure for a Presentation Structuring an Effective Argument
W.8.5.	With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Analysis that Compares Two Genres Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care
W.8.6.	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas efficiently as well as to interact and collaborate with others.	



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	Research to Build and Present Knowledge	
W.8.7.	Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.	
W.8.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Writing a Convincing Argument Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care
W.8.9.	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	
W.8.9(a)	Apply grade 8 reading standards to literature (e.g., "Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or character types from myths, traditional stories, or religious works such as the Bible, including describing how the material is rendered new").	Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence
W.8.9(b)	Apply grade 8 reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient; recognize when irrelevant evidence is introduced").	Analyzing Language in a Personal Narrative Analyzing a Claim in a Text about Edward Jenner Rhetoric in Dr. King's "The American Dream" Comparing Argument Techniques in Two Speeches



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	Range of Writing	
W.8.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.	Writing an Informative Essay about an Event in History Analyzing Language in a Personal Narrative Writing a Personal Narrative about an Important Person Writing about Theme in Fiction and Citing Evidence Writing a Convincing Argument Writing Using Descriptive Details and Context Writing an Argumentative Essay about Health Care
CC.SL.8.	Speaking and Listening Standards	
SL.8.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	
SL.8.1(a)	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.	Group Discussion
SL.8.1(b)	Follow rules for collegial discussions and decision-making, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.	Group Discussion
SL.8.1(c)	Pose questions that connect the ideas of several speakers and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant evidence, observations, and ideas.	Group Discussion
SL.8.1(d)	Acknowledge new information expressed by others, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views in light of the evidence presented.	Group Discussion



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SL.8.2.	Analyze the purpose of information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political) behind its presentation.	Audio Report: Remembering Miep Gies Group Discussion Connecting Multimedia to an Informational Text Evaluating Different Media about Food Safety Writing a Procedure for a Presentation
SL.8.3.	Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and relevance and sufficiency of the evidence and identifying when irrelevant evidence is introduced.	Group Discussion Evaluating Different Media about Food Safety
	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	
SL.8.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.	Writing a Procedure for a Presentation Creating a Multimedia Presentation
SL.8.5.	Integrate multimedia and visual displays into presentations to clarify information, strengthen claims and evidence, and add interest.	Writing a Procedure for a Presentation Creating a Multimedia Presentation
SL.8.6.	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.	Creating a Multimedia Presentation
CC.L.8.	Language Standards	
L.8.1.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	
L.8.1(a)	Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.	Verb Tense and Voice
L.8.1(b)	Form and use verbs in the active and passive voice.	Verb Tense and Voice
L.8.1(c)	Form and use verbs in the indicative, imperative, interrogative, conditional, and subjunctive mood.	Verbs and Their Moods



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8.1(d)	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.	Verb Tense and Voice
		Verbs and Their Moods
L.8.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	
L.8.2(a)	Use punctuation (comma, ellipsis, dash) to indicate a pause or break.	Capitalization, Punctuation, and Spelling
L.8.2(b)	Use an ellipsis to indicate an omission.	Capitalization, Punctuation, and Spelling
L.8.2(c)	Spell correctly.	Capitalization, Punctuation, and Spelling
	Knowledge of Language	
L.8.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	
L.8.3(a)	Use verbs in the active and passive voice and in the conditional and subjunctive mood to achieve particular effects (e.g., emphasizing the actor or the action; expressing uncertainty or describing a state contrary to fact).	Verb Tense and Voice
	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
L.8.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	
L.8.4(a)	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	Signal Words Context Clues, Roots, and Affixes Connotation and Denotation Figures of Speech
L.8.4(b)	Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., precede, recede, secede).	Context Clues, Roots, and Affixes
L.8.4(c)	Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.	Reference Resources



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L.8.4(d)	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).	Reference Resources
L.8.5.	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	
L.8.5(a)	Interpret figures of speech (e.g. verbal irony, puns) in context.	Figures of Speech
L.8.5(b)	Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.	Signal Words Connotation and Denotation Figures of Speech
L.8.5(c)	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., bullheaded, willful, firm, persistent, resolute).	Analyzing Language in a Personal Narrative Connotation and Denotation
L.8.6.	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.	Signal Words Analyzing Language in a Personal Narrative Connotation and Denotation
SL.8.a.	Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will understand the influence of heritage language in English speech patterns.	
SL.8.b.	Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will orally compare and contrast accounts of the same event and text.	Group Discussion
SL.8.c.	Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will demonstrate appropriate listening skills for understanding and cooperation within a variety of cultural settings.	Group Discussion