

National Standards for Language Arts

Writing

1. Demonstrates competence in the general skills and strategies of the writing process
2. Demonstrates competence in the stylistic and rhetorical aspects of writing
3. Writes with a command of the grammatical and mechanical conventions of composition
4. Effectively gathers and uses information for research purposes

Reading

5. Demonstrates competence in the general skills and strategies of the reading process
6. Demonstrates competence in general skill and strategies for reading literature
7. Demonstrate competence in the general skills and strategies for reading information
8. Demonstrate competence in applying the reading process to specific types of literary texts
9. Demonstrates competence in applying the reading process to specific types of informational texts
10. Demonstrates competence in using information sources, including those of a technical nature, to accomplish specific tasks

Listening and speaking

11. Demonstrates competence in speaking and listening as tools for learning

Language

12. Demonstrates an understanding of the nature and function of the English language

Literature

13. Demonstrates a familiarity with selected literary works of enduring quality