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(2) Reading/Vocabulary Development. Students understand new vocabulary and use it when reading and writing. Students are expected to:	
, , ,	22, 48, 74, 100, 117, 126, 139, 143, 152,
to determine or clarify the meaning of unfamiliar or ambiguous words or words with novel meanings;	3-8, 10-12, 15, 16, 18-21, 28-30, 32- 38, 40-46, 54-56, 58-60, 62-64, 66- 68, 70-73, 80-82, 84-86, 88-94, 96- 98, 106-108, 110- 112, 114-120, 121- 124, 132-138, 141, 142, 144-146, 148- 150
(e.g., pen:paper as chalk: or soft:kitten as hard:);	5, 13, 35, 47, 57, 65, 73, 83, 91, 95, 99, 113, 125, 139, 151
(D) identify common words or word parts from other languages that are used in written English (e.g., phenomenon, charisma, chorus, passé, flora, fauna); and	117, 135, 143,
electronic) to determine the meanings, syllabication, pronunciations, alternate word choices, and parts of speech of words.	3, 7, 11, 15, 19, 22, 29, 33, 37, 41, 45, 55, 59, 63, 67, 71, 81, 85, 89, 93, 97, 107, 111, 115, 119, 123, 126, 133, 137, 141, 145, 149,
(15) Writing/Literary Texts. Students write literary texts to express their ideas and feelings about real or imagined people, events, and ideas. Students are expected to:	

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(A) write an imaginative story that: sustains reader interest, includes well-paced action and an engaging story line, creates a specific, believable setting through the use of sensory details, develops interesting characters; and uses a range of literary strategies and devices to enhance the style and tone	17, 47, 61, 65, 95, 99, 113, 135,
B) write poems using poetic techniques (e.g., alliteration, onomatopoeia), figurative language (e.g., similes, metaphors); and graphic elements (e.g., capital letters, line length).	21, 73, 139,
(16) Writing. Students write about their own experiences. Students are expected to write a personal narrative that has a clearly defined focus and includes reflections on decisions, actions, and/or consequences.	13, 69, 87, 91, 121, 143, 147, 151
(17) Writing/Expository and Procedural Texts. Students write expository and procedural or work-related texts to communicate ideas and information to specific audiences for specific purposes. Students are expected to:	
(A) write a multi-paragraph essay to convey information about a topic that: presents effective introductions and concluding paragraphs, contains a clearly stated purpose or controlling idea, is logically organized with appropriate facts and details and includes no extraneous information or inconsistencies, accurately synthesizes ideas from several sources; and uses a variety of sentence structures, rhetorical devices, and transitions to link paragraphs.	39, 57, 113, 117, 147,
(B) write a letter that reflects an opinion, registers a complaint, or requests information in a business or friendly context;	35
(23) Research/Gathering Sources. Students determine, locate, and explore the full range of relevant sources addressing a research question and systematically record the information they gather. Students are expected to:	
(A) follow the research plan to gather information from a range of relevant print and electronic sources using advanced search strategies;	113, 117, 147, 151

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(24) Research/Synthesizing Information. Students clarify	
research questions and evaluate and synthesize collected	
information. Students are expected to:	
(A) narrow or broaden the major research question, if necessary,	31, 39, 113, 117, 147, 151
based on further research and investigation	147, 151