First Grade – English/Language Arts
Kentucky Core Academic Standards with Targets
Student Friendly Targets
Pacing Guide

Anderson County
Schools
Safe, Prepared, Responsible
College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading

The K-5 standards on the following pages define what students should understand and be able to do by the end of each grade. They correspond to ten broad College and Career Readiness (CCR) anchor standards. The CCR and grade specific standards are necessary complements, that together define the skills and understandings that all students must demonstrate.

English Language Arts (ELA) is divided into four strands: 1) Reading, 2) Writing (W), 3) Speaking and Listening (SL), and 4) Language (L). Within the reading strand, there are three sections: Reading Literature (RL), Reading Informational (RI), Reading Foundational Skills (FS).

In Reading, the ten standards are divided into four sections.

Standards 1-3 Key Ideas and Details
Standards 4-6 Craft and Structure
Standards 7-9 Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
Standard 10 Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

In Writing, the ten standards are divided into four sections.

Standards 1-3 Text Types and Purposes
Standards 4-6 Production and Distribution of Writing
Standards 7-9 Research to Build and Present Knowledge
Standard 10 Range of Writing

In Speaking and Listening, the ten standards are divided into two sections.

Standards 1-3 Comprehension and Collaboration
Standards 4-6 Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

In Language, the standards are divided into three sections.

Standards 1-2 Conventions of Standard English
Standard 3 Knowledge of Language
Standards 4-6 Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

Development of Pacing Guide

During the summer 2011, Anderson County teachers and administrators developed learning targets for each of the Kentucky Core Academic Standards in English Language Arts. In winter 2012, curriculum resource teachers verified the congruency of the standards and targets and recommended revisions. Teachers refined the work and began planning the development of common assessments to ensure students learn the intended curriculum.

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3.RL.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

**Knowledge Targets:**

- □ Ask and answer questions to understand text. 
  *I can look back in the text to find answers.*

**Reasoning Targets:**

- □ Based on the text, formulate questions to demonstrate the understanding of a text. 
  *I can formulate questions to show I understand the text. (That means I can make questions to show I understand the text.)*
## Anderson County Elementary
### Pacing Guide

**English/Language Arts**  
**Grade 1**

### Reading Literature

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- Can you tell me what happened in the story at the beginning? What happened after that? What happened at the end of the story?  
- Can you tell me where the story took place?  
- Can you tell me the important things that happened in the story?  
- Who are the characters in the story? What do you know about them? | First Nine Weeks |
| **Knowledge Targets:**  
- Identify key details in a text.  
- Ask questions about key details in a text.  
- Answer questions about key details in a text. |  |
| **1.RL.2** Retell stories, including key details and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson. |  |
| **Knowledge Targets:**  
- Identify key details of a story.  
- Identify central message/lesson of the story. |  |
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### Performance Skill Targets:

- Orally demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson.
  
  *I can retell the central message in a story.*

### Knowledge Targets:

- Define character. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can tell what a character is in a story.*

- Define setting. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can tell what the setting is in a story.*

- Define major events. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can tell the major events in a story.*

- Define details. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can tell details in a story.*

- Identify characters using details. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can identify characters in the story.*

- Identify setting using details. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can identify the story setting.*

- Identify major events using key details. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can identify major events in a story.*

### Reasoning Targets:

- Describe characters using key details from the text.
  
  *I can describe characters in a story using details.*

- Describe settings using key details from the text.
  
  *I can describe a story setting using details.*

- Describe major events using key details from the text.
  
  *I can describe the major events in a story using details.*

### 1.RL.4 Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses

First grade students begin to look at how words are used in a text by naming words and phrases that contribute to the feeling of the poem or story. They should understand the
### Knowledge Targets:

- Identify words in stories or poems.
  - I can identify words in a story or poem.
- Identify phrases in stories or poems.
  - I can identify phrases in a story or poem.
- Identify the various senses.
  - I can identify the five senses.
- Recognize words and phrases that suggest feelings.
  - I can identify words and phrases that show feelings.
- Recognize words and phrases that appeal to the senses.
  - I can identify words and phrases that show the five senses.

### Reasoning Targets:

- Identify words and phrases in stories that suggest feelings.
  - I can identify words and phrases in a story that show feelings.
- Identify words and phrases in stories that appeal to the senses.
  - I can identify words and phrases in a story that appeal to the senses.
- Identify words and phrases in poems that suggest feelings.
  - I can identify words and phrases in a poem that show feelings.
- Identify words and phrases in poems that appeal to the senses.
  - I can identify words and phrases in a poem that show the five senses.

### 1.RL.5 Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that provide information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.

**Knowledge Targets:**

- Recognize characteristics of fiction.

 Note: First grade students should be able to name who is telling the story. Use questions and prompts such as:

- Can you find the feeling words in this poem/story?
- Is this book an informational book or a story book? How do you know?
- Who is telling the story in this part of the book?
I can tell what makes a story fiction.
- Recognize characteristics of nonfiction.

I can tell what makes a text nonfiction.
- Recognize fiction in different forms of text.

I can identify a fiction story in different forms of text (play, poem, article, etc).
- Recognize nonfiction in different forms of text

I can identify nonfiction in different forms of text (play, poem, article, etc).
- Explain how a book that tells a story is different from a book that gives information.

I can explain how fiction is different from nonfiction.

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| **Reasoning Targets:** |
| - Describe characters using story illustrations and story details. |

Students are required to use pictures and details in a story to tell about characters, setting, and events. They continue to build on character development by looking at similarities and differences in characters’ experiences in stories. Use questions and prompts such as:

- Can you find an illustration or part that shows the main character?
- Can you find an illustration or part that shows the setting?
- Can you find an illustration or part that shows the problem in the story?
- What is the same about the characters in the two stories? What is different?
- What happened to the characters that is the same? What is different?
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- Did the characters solve the problem in different ways? If so, how?

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Knowledge Targets:
- Identify key ideas and details in prose and poetry at appropriate complexity. (Underpinning)
  I can identify key ideas in prose and poetry.
- Identify craft and structure in prose and poetry at appropriate complexity. (Underpinning)
  I can explain craft and structure in prose and poetry.
I can tell what craft and structure mean. (Underpinning)

Reasoning Targets:
- Comprehend key ideas and details in prose and poetry at appropriate complexity.
  I can explain key ideas and details in prose and poetry.
- Comprehend craft and structure in prose and poetry at appropriate complexity.
  I can explain craft and structure in prose and poetry.

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“Students also acquire the habits of reading independently and closely, which are essential to their future success.”

Students should encounter appropriately to develop the mature language skills and the conceptual knowledge needed for success in school and life. Effective scaffolding should allow the reader to encounter the text with minimal clarifications. It should not replace the text by translating its contents for students.

1.RI.1 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

Knowledge Targets:
- Identify key details of an informational text.
  I can identify key details of an informational text.
- Ask questions about the key details in an informational text.
  I can ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

1.RI.2 Identify the main topic and key details of a text.

Knowledge Targets:
- Identify the main topic of a text.
  I can identify the main topic of a text.
- Identify the key details of a text.
  I can identify the key details of a text.

First grade students continue to build on the skill of asking and answering questions about key details in a text. At this level, students should be able to identify the main idea and retell the key details in their own words. They should also be able to tell how two individuals, events, ideas or pieces of information are linked together.

Use questions and prompts such as:
- Think about what you read and create your own question about an important idea in this text.
- What is the main idea of this text?
- Can you find one of the important ideas in this text? Can you find another important idea?
- Can you tell me how these two events are linked together? (cause/effect, time order)
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<td>I can describe how two pieces of information are connected.</td>
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| 1.RI.4 Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text. | First grade students should use the skill of asking and answering questions to help them understand what words and phrases mean in the text. Students at this level should understand how to use text features to help them understand the text and be able to tell the difference between what information can be gained by examining the pictures and what can be gained from examining the words. |
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| - Identify unknown words or words needing clarification in a text. (Underpinning)  
* I can identify words I don’t know.  
- Recognize that a question requires an answer. (Underpinning)  
* I can identify that a question requires an answer. | - Determine how readers use different text features.  
* I can tell how readers use different text features.  
- Identify various text features such as headings  
- Identify various text features such as tables of contents.  
- Identify various text features such as glossaries.  
- Identify various text features such as electronic menus.  
- Identify various text features such as icons.  
- Use text features to locate key facts or information in a text. |

**Use questions and prompts such as:**
- What features in the text help you find important information?  
- How do the headings help you understand the text?  
- What does the table of contents help you to know?  
- Can you tell me what is different about what the picture shows and what the words say about…?  

**1.Ri.5 Know and use various text features (e.g., headings, tables, of contents, glossaries, electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text.**

* I can use text features to locate key facts or information in a text (such as headings, table of contents, glossaries, electronic menus and icons).
1.RI.6 Distinguish between information provided by pictures or other illustrations and information provided by the words in a text.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify whether information is provided in pictures or other illustrations and by the words in text.
  *I can tell whether information is given in pictures or words.*

1.RI.7 Use illustrations and details in a text to describe its key ideas.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify details. (Underpinning)
- Identify key ideas. (Underpinning)
- Know how to describe. (Underpinning)
  *I can identify and describe details and key ideas.*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Describe key ideas using illustrations in an informational text.
- Describe key ideas using details in an informational text.
  *I can use illustrations and details to describe the key ideas.*

1.RI.8 Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify the reasons an author gives to support point(s) in a text.
  *I can identify the reasons an author gives to support point(s) in a text.*

Students will understand how illustrations help explain the text. At this level, students should also develop the ability to recognize the author’s reasoning by finding support within the text. Students will look for similarities and differences in two texts that share the same main idea.

Use questions and prompts such as:
- Can you tell how the author uses this chart to help you understand?
- What does this chart add to your thinking about what you read?
- Can you find the reason why the author thinks that…? Can you find the reason why the author believes…?
- Look at these two texts about the same topic. How are they the same? How are they different?
1.RI.9 Identify basic similarities in and difference between two test on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions or procedures).

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify basic similarities of two texts on the same topic.  
  *I can identify how two texts on the same topic are alike.*
- Identify differences between two texts on the same topic.  
  *I can identify how two texts on the same topic are different.*

1.RI.10 With prompting and support, read informational texts appropriately complex for grade 1.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify key ideas and details in an informational text.  
  *(Underpinning)*
  *I can identify key ideas and details in an informational text.*
- Identify craft and structure in an informational text.  
  *(Underpinning)*
  *I can identify craft and structure in an informational text.*
- Identify integration of knowledge and ideas in an informational text.  
  *I can identify integration of knowledge and ideas in an informational text.*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Comprehend independently key ideas and details in an informational text.  
  *I can comprehend independently key ideas and details in an informational text.*

With assistance, students are required to read informational text at the appropriate complexity for grade 1.

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| Comprehend independently craft and structure in an informational text. |  
|---|---|
| I can comprehend independently craft and structure in an informational text. |  
| Comprehend independently integration of knowledge and ideas in an informational text. |  
| I can comprehend independently integration of knowledge and ideas in an informational text. |  

1.FS.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print;  
   a. Recognize the distinguishing features of a sentence (e.g. first word, capitalization, endings punctuation.)

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Recognize the capital letters.  
  *I can identify capital letters.*  
- Recognize that the first word of every sentence begins with a capital letter.  
  *I can identify that the first word of every sentence begins with a capital letter.*  
- Recognize that sentences are made up of words.  
  *I can identify that sentences are made up of words.*  
- Recognize a sentence has ending punctuation.  
  *I can identify that a sentence has ending punctuation.*  
- Recognize the 3 types of ending punctuation.  
  *I can identify the 3 types of ending punctuation (., ?, !).*

1.FS.2 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).  
   a. Distinguish long from short vowel sounds in spoken single-syllable words.)  
b. Orally produce single-syllable words by

**Use questions and prompts such as:**
- Does this word have a long or short vowel sound?  
- Say each sound you hear in this word slowly.  
- What do you hear at the beginning of this word?  
  What do you hear next? At the end?
blending sounds (phonemes), including consonant blends.
c. Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in spoken single-syllable words.
d. Segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual sounds (phonemes).

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Recognize long vowel sounds. (Underpinning)
  *I can identify long vowel sounds.*
- Recognize short vowel sounds. (Underpinning)
  *I can identify short vowel sounds.*
- Recognize single-syllable words phonemes. (Underpinning)
  *I can identify single-syllable word phonemes.*
- Recognize consonant blends. (Underpinning)
  *I can identify consonant blends.*
- Recognize the 3 types of ending punctuation.
  (Underpinning)
  *I can recognize the 3 types of ending punctuation (., !, ?)*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Distinguish between long and short vowels in single-syllable words. (Underpinning)
  *I can tell the difference between long and short vowels.*
- Isolate initial sounds in a single-syllable words.
  (Underpinning)
  *I can know where to listen for the beginning sound.*
- Isolate medial sounds in a single-syllable words.
  (Underpinning)
  *I can know where to listen for the medial sound.*
- Isolate final sounds in a single-syllable words.
  (Underpinning)
I can know where to listen for the final sound.

**Performance Skill Targets:**

- Produce single-syllable words by blending sounds (phonemes).
  > _I can pronounce blends in single-syllable words._
- Produce single-syllable words by consonant blends.
  > _I can pronounce consonant blends in single-syllable words._
- Pronounce initial sounds.
  > _I can say initial sounds._
- Pronounce medial sounds.
  > _I can say medial sounds._
- Pronounce final sounds.
  > _I can say ending sounds._
- Segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual sounds.
  > _I can break words into individual sounds._

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Students continue learning specific strategies for decoding words in texts. Learning suffixes and vowel patterns enhances decoding, spelling ability, and vocabulary development.

Use questions and prompts such as:
- Does that sound right?
- Does that look right?
- Does that make sense?
- Look at the word, does it look like...?
- You said...does it look like...? What do these two letters sound like together (sh, th, ch) in this word?
- Can you clap the syllables in this word?
- What does this final e tell you about this word?
- Look at the beginning of that word, can you get it started?
g. Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.

Knowledge Targets:

- Know grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. (Underpinning)
- I can use letter sounds to read words.
- Recognize common consonant diagraphs. (Underpinning)
- I can identify consonant diagraphs.
- Identify long vowel and short sounds in one-syllable words. (Underpinning)
- I can identify long and short vowel sounds in a one-syllable word.
- Know the sound produced by that consonant diagraph. (Underpinning)
- I can identify the sound a diagraph makes.
- Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words. (Underpinning)
- I can decode words with spelling patterns.
- Know the rules for final –e and vowel teams that form long vowel sounds. (Underpinning)
- I can identify the rules for final e and vowel teams that make long vowel sounds.
- Know that words have syllables. (Underpinning)
- I can identify that words have syllables.
- Identify that each syllable contains a vowel.
- I can identify that each syllable has a vowel sound.
- Identify the number of syllables in printed words.
- I can identify the number of syllables in words.
- Determine the syllable parts of a two-syllable word.
- I can identify each syllable of a two-syllable word.
- Know basic patterns to break words into syllables.
- I can identify basic patterns to break words into syllables.
- Recognize words with inflectional endings.
- I can identify words with inflectional endings. (Give
Recognize grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.  
I can identify words that don’t follow spelling rules.

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.  
  *I can decode words.*
- Distinguish between words with spelling patterns and irregularly spelled words.  
  *I can find words spelled regularly and irregularly.*

**Performance Skills Targets:**
- Read words with inflectional endings.  
  *I can read words with inflectional endings.*
- Read irregularly spelled sight words appropriate to grade level.  
  *I can read irregularly spelled words.*
- Read two syllable words by using decoding and/or syllabication skills.  
  *I can read two syllable words.*

### 1. FS.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

a. Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

b. Read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.

c. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

**Knowledge Targets:**

Fluency helps the reader process language for meaning and enjoyment. Fluent readers are able to focus attention on the meaning of the text. Readers at this stage benefit from opportunities to read texts multiple times at an independent level.

Use questions and prompts such as:
- Make your reading sound like the characters are talking.
- Make your voice sound like the words are together.
- Make your voice go up when you see the question mark at the end.
- Make your voice go down when you see the period at the end.
- Go back and reread when it doesn’t sound or look like you think it should.
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1.W.1 Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or the name the book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify a topic or the name of a book about which to write.

First grade students should be able to express their opinion and demonstrate the ability to share their opinion with others. In first grade, students write opinion pieces that clearly state their preferences and supply a reason for their thinking. In doing so, students need multiple opportunities to express opinions and develop writing behaviors.

Students need to engage in behaviors (turn and talk, small group discussion, and emergent writing and speaking.
### Reasoning Targets:
- Formulate an opinion of a book or topic and provide a reason for that opinion.
- Provide a sense of closure for the opinion piece.

### Product Targets:
- Write an opinion piece that introduces the topic or names the book being written about, states an opinion about the book or topic, supplies a reason for the opinion, and provides a sense of closure.

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**I can identify a topic to write about.**
- Recognize and define opinion.

**I can identify and define “opinion.”**
- Recognize and define closure.

**I can identify and define “closure.”**

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**1.W.2 Write informative/explanatory texts in which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic, and provide some sense of closure.**

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify an informative/explanatory text.
- Select a topic for an informative/explanatory writing.
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<td>- Determine appropriate closure.</td>
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<td>- Identify two or more events of the experience and sequence appropriately. (Underpinning)</td>
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<td><strong>I can write two or more events into a correct sequence appropriately.</strong></td>
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<td>- Identify transitional words.</td>
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<td><strong>I can identify transitional words.</strong></td>
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<td>- Identify details, transitions, closure, final thoughts.</td>
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<td>- Choose relevant details that correspond to chosen event.</td>
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<td><strong>I can choose details that tell more about the event.</strong></td>
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<td>- Reflect on identified event.</td>
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I can think back on the event.
- Apply appropriate transitional words in order to signal change of events in narrative.
I can use transition words to show a change of events.
- Create relevant and elaborated details to support events of narrative
I can write details to tell about the events.

**Product Targets:**
- Write a personal narrative that recounts two or more events and includes supporting details, transitional words, and a sense of closure.
- I can write a personal narrative that tells about two or more events. I can include details, transitional words and a closing.

**1.W.5** With guidance and support from adults, students recognize how to focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- With guidance and support from adults, students recognize how to focus on a topic. (Underpinning)
  - I can focus on a topic with help from an adult.
- With guidance and support from adults, students respond to questions and suggestions from peers. (Underpinning)
  - I can respond to questions from peers with help to strengthen my writing.
- With guidance and support from adults, students add details to strengthen writing as needed. (Underpinning)
  - I can add details to my story to make my writing better.

With assistance from adults and peers, students should focus their writing on a topic and be able to respond to questions and suggestions. In order to do so, students need to understand how to add descriptive words to their writing to strengthen their piece. They also need to develop the ability to recognize spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors and have strategies for correcting these errors with assistance (during conferences and peer editing).

With assistance, students will use digital tools to publish their writing independently and in collaboration with peers (use of keyboarding and technology). At this grade level, students will need to be able to “log on” to programs, computer stations, and hand-held devices to engage with digital media.
### Reasoning Targets:
- With guidance and support from adults, students develop writing by focusing on a topic.
  - *I can focus on a topic in my writing.*
- With guidance and support from adults, students develop writing by responding to questions and suggestions from peers.
  - *I can answer questions and take suggestions to improve my writing.*
- With guidance and support from adults, students develop writing by adding details to strengthen writing.
  - *I can add details to my writing to make it better.*

### 1.W.6 With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

#### Knowledge Targets:
- With guidance and support from adults, use basic computer skills (e.g., turn on computer, log on, use common software, basic word processing tools). (*Underpinning*)
  - *I can use basic computer skills (turn on computer, log on, use basic software & word processing).*

#### Reasoning Targets:
- With guidance and support from adults, choose digital tools for producing and publishing writing. (*Underpinning*)
  - *I can choose the right digital tool to publish my writing.*

#### Performance Skill Targets:
- With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing individually and with peers.
  - *I can use technology with help to produce and publish writing.*
1.W.7  Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of “how to” books on a given topic and use them to write a sequence of instructions).

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Conduct shared research using various sources and tools.  
  *I can research using tool such as books and websites.*
- Explore the format of a variety of texts (e.g., “how to”).  
  *I can look at how various texts are organized (such as how to, etc).*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Determine appropriate sources and tools to conduct shared research.  
  *I can decide which materials to use to find information.*
- Distinguish the format of a variety of texts.  
  *I can tell the difference between kinds of texts.*
- Participate in shared research and writing projects.  
  *I can participate in shared research and writing.*

First grade students are required to participate in shared research projects. Students will need to understand their role (job on the team) and how they will contribute (work they will do) on the project from beginning to end. Items, such as, task charts, check sheets, and graphic organizers will be helpful to students as they learn to work together.

At this level, students are working with provided research. They need to know how to scan the information provided (words, pictures, digital sources) and/or recall from their own background knowledge the pieces they need to answer research questions and take notes. Students do this work with prompting and support.

1.W.8  With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify experience. (Underpinning)  
  *I can remember experiences.*
- Identify source. (Underpinning)  
  *I can identify where I got information.*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Gather information from more than one source to answer a question.
I can use different resources to answer questions.
- With guidance and support from adults, answer a question using information from experience. (Underpinning)

I can answer a question using my experiences.
- With guidance and support from adults, answer a question using information from experience.

I can answer questions using my experience.

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<td>a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion.)</td>
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<td>b. Build on others’ talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges.</td>
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<td>c. Ask questions to clear up any confusion about the topics and texts under discussion.</td>
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Knowledge Targets:
- Identify ideas from first grade topics and texts.
  * I can find ideas in texts.

Reasoning Targets:
- Decide comments and questions appropriate to the topic of discussion.
  * I can stay on the subject during a discussion.

Performance Skill Targets:
- Participate in conversations about grade 1 topics and texts.
  * I can participate in conversations.
- Follow agreed-upon rules for discussion.
  *I can follow discussion rules.*
- Listen while others are speaking.
  *I can listen while others are speaking.*
- Respond to comments to continue conversations with peers and adults.
  *I can respond to comments and continue conversations.*
- Ask questions to better understand topic and texts.
  *I can ask questions to understand topics.*

### 1.SL.2 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

#### Knowledge Targets:
- Ask questions about key details from a text read aloud. (Underpinning)
  *I can ask questions about key details from a read aloud.*
- Ask questions about key details through other media. (Underpinning)
  *I can ask and answer questions about key details through media.*
- Answer questions about key details from a text read aloud. (Underpinning)
  *I can answer and ask questions about details from a read aloud or orally.*

#### Reasoning Targets:
- Formulate a question based on key ideas from a text read aloud. (Underpinning)
  *I can ask a question from a read aloud.*
- Formulate a question based on key ideas from information presented orally. (Underpinning)
  *I can ask a question from information I hear out loud.*
- Formulate a question based on key ideas through other
I can ask a question based on what I learn from other media.

**Performance Skill Targets:**
- Ask questions and answer questions about key details read aloud or presented orally or through other media.
- I can ask and answer questions about key details from a read aloud, presentation or other media.

1.SL.3 Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Identify questions and answers.
- I can tell the difference between questions and answers.
- Recognize that asking and answering questions is a strategy for getting more information from a speaker.
- I can tell that asking and answering questions is a strategy for getting more information from the person speaking.
- Recognize that asking and answering questions is a strategy for clarifying something about what a speaker says that is not understood.
- I can tell that asking and answering questions is a strategy to clear up the message that is not understood.

**Reasoning Targets:**
- Determine when additional information/classification about what a speaker says is needed.
- I can choose when more information is needed from the speaker.
- Formulate questions and answers in order to gather information about what a speakers says.
- I can create questions and answers to get more
**information from the speaker.**
- □ Formulate a question and answers in order to clarify what is not understood about what a speaker says.
  
  I can create questions and answers to clear up the message from a speaker.

**Performance Skill Targets:**
- □ Ask questions and answer questions what a speaker says in order to gather additional information.
  
  I can ask and answer questions.
- □ Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to clarify something that is not understood.
  
  I can ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to understand.

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First grade students should be able to report facts and relevant details about an experience. This should be done orally, with some detail, and with clarity of thought and emotions. They should be able to add visual displays to illuminate chosen facts or details. In order to do so, students will need multiple opportunities to present information to others and develop behaviors that will lead to the ability to add appropriate visual displays.

Students will need to engage in behaviors (turn and talk, small group discussion, and listening and speaking learning centers) that lead to the expression of complete ideas both verbally and in writing. Students will also need a purposeful focus throughout ELA on choice-making.

For example, first grade students need to be able to choose visual displays that add to and support their thinking about a topic. Students must be able to articulate their ideas in complete sentences when appropriate to the audience.
**Reasoning Targets:**
- Determine relevant details that describe people.
- Determine relevant details that describe places.
- Determine relevant details that describe things.
- Determine relevant details that describe events.

I can find important details that describe people, places, things and events.

**Performance Skill Targets:**
- Orally perform a clear presentation that describes a person that includes relevant details and expresses ideas and feelings clearly.
  
  *I can make a presentation that describes a person.*
- Orally perform a clear presentation that describes a place that includes relevant details and expresses ideas and feelings clearly.
  
  *I can make a presentation that describes a place.*
- Orally perform a clear presentation that describes a thing that includes relevant details and expresses ideas and feelings clearly.
  
  *I can make a presentation about a thing.*
- Orally perform a clear presentation that describes an event that includes relevant details and expresses ideas and feelings clearly.
  
  *I can make a presentation that describes an event.*

1.SL.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.

**Knowledge Targets:**
- Know ideas, thoughts, and feelings.
  
  *I can identify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.*
- Understand clarify. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can tell what clarify means.*
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<td>□ Determine which ideas, thoughts, feelings need clarification.</td>
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<td><em>I can decide which ideas, thoughts or feelings need clarifying.</em></td>
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<td>□ Identify task and situation.</td>
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<td><em>I can identify my purpose for writing.</em></td>
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<td>□ Differentiate when situation calls for speaking in complete sentences.</td>
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| 1.L.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing | An understanding of language is essential for effective communication. |
or speaking.
   a. Print all upper- and lowercase letters.
   b. Use common, proper, and possessive nouns.
   c. Use singular and plural nouns with matching verbs in basic sentences (e.g., He hops; We hop).
   d. Use personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns (e.g., I, me, my; they, them, their; anyone, everything).
   e. Use verbs to convey a sense of past, present, and future. (e.g., Yesterday I walked home; Today I walk home; Tomorrow I will walk home.)
   f. Use frequently occurring adjectives.
   g. Use frequently occurring conjunctions (e.g., and, but, or, so, because).
   h. Use determiners (e.g., articles, demonstratives.)
   i. Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., during, beyond, toward).
   j. Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.

Knowledge Targets:
   - Recognize common nouns. (Underpinning)
     *I can identify common nouns.*
   - Recognize proper nouns. (Underpinning)
     *I can identify proper nouns.*
   - Recognize possessive nouns. (Underpinning)
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I can improve simple sentences.  
I can expand a simple sentence.  

☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing to expand compound sentences.  

I can write compound sentences.  
I can expand a compound sentence.  

☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing to expand declarative sentences.  

I can write declarative sentences.  That means a sentence that tells.  
I can expand a declarative sentence.  

☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing to expand interrogative sentences.  

I can write interrogative sentences.  That means a sentence that asks a question.  
I can expand an interrogative sentence.  

☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing to expand imperative sentences.  

I can write imperative sentences.  That means a sentence that tells someone to do something.  
I can expand an imperative sentence.  

☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing to expand exclamatory sentences.  

I can write exclamatory sentences.  That means a sentence that shows strong feeling.  
I can expand an exclamatory sentence.  

Performance Skill Targets:  
☐ Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when speaking.  
I can use conventions.
| Topic | I can use common nouns in speaking. | I can use proper nouns in speaking. | I can use possessive nouns in speaking. | I can singular and plural nouns with matching verbs. | I can use indefinite personal pronouns. | I can use indefinite possessive pronouns. | I can use indefinite pronouns. | I can use past tense verbs. | I can use present tense verbs. | I can use future tense verbs. | I can use frequently occurring adjectives. | I can use frequently occurring conjunctions. | I can use frequently occurring determiners. | I can use frequently occurring prepositions. | I can create complete sentences. | I can create simple sentences. |
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I can respond to prompts.

* I can create compound declarative sentences.
  - Produce and expand interrogative sentences in response to prompts.
  - I can create interrogative sentences.
  - Produce and expand imperative sentences in response to prompts.
  - I can create imperative sentences.
  - Produce and expand exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.
  - I can create exclamatory sentences.

1.L.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization punctuation, and spelling when writing.

a. Capitalize dates and names of people.

b. Use end punctuation for sentences.

c. Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series.

d. Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.

e. Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.

Knowledge Targets:

- Apply correct capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
  - I can use capitalization, punctuation and spelling correctly when writing.

- Distinguish between dates and other word/number combinations.
  - I can tell the difference between dates and other word number combinations.
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<td>Differentiate between the use of periods, exclamation marks and question marks.</td>
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<td>Use end punctuation for sentences.</td>
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<td>Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series.</td>
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<td>Know conventional spelling of common spelling patterns.</td>
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<td>Use conventional spelling when writing words with common spelling patterns and frequently occurring irregularly spelled words.</td>
<td>I can use conventional spelling when writing words with common spelling.</td>
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<td>Use phonemic awareness and spelling conventions, to spell untaught words phonetically.</td>
<td>I can use my sounds to spell words.</td>
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**1.L.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 1 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.**

- Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
- Use frequently occurring affixes as a clue to the meaning of a word.
- Identify frequently occurring root words (e.g.,

As students at this level focus on word acquisition and use, the intent of the CCSS is to introduce grammatical knowledge in basic ways that will be relearned in more sophisticated contexts in the upper grades.

The overall focus of language learning in regards to vocabulary acquisition is to guide students as they make purposeful language choices in writing and speaking in order to communicate effectively in a wide range of print and digital texts. Students need to understand the diversity in standard English and the ways authors use formal and informal voice (dialects, registers) to craft their message for specific purposes. Students also need strategies for learning to make
look) and their inflectional forms (e.g., looks, looked, looking).

**Knowledge Targets:**
- **Understand that some words and phrases have multiple meanings.**
  - *I can understand that some words have several meanings.*
- **Identify common affixes, root words, and inflectional forms.**
  - *I can identify affixes, root words and inflectional forms.*
- **Identify an array of strategies for determining meanings of unknown words and phrases.**
  - *I can identify several strategies for figuring out what words mean.*

**Reasoning Targets:**
- **Apply sentence level context clues to determine or clarify the meaning of an unknown word or phrase.**
  - *I can apply context clues to figure out what a word means.*
- **Apply frequently occurring affixes as a clue to determine or clarify the meaning of an unknown word or phrase.**
  - *I can apply clues to figure out what a word means.*
- **Apply frequently occurring root words (e.g., look) and their inflectional forms (e.g., looks, looked, looking) to determine or clarify the meaning of an unknown word or phrase.**
  - *I can use root words to find out what a word means.*
- **Choose from an array of strategies and apply them to determine the meaning or clarify unknown words.**
  - *I can choose several strategies to figure out what word means.*

**1.L.5** With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
- **a. Sort words into categories (e.g., colors,**

Learning words at this stage includes exploring different shades of the same verb (run/sprint), adjectives of differing intensity, and inflectional forms; understanding categories of common concepts/objects; and defining words by category.
c. Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes.)

c. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g. notes places at home that are cozy).

d. Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g. large, gigantic) by defining or choosing them or by acting out the meanings.

Knowledge Targets:

- With guidance and support from adults, categorize pictures/words by multiple attributes. (Underpinning)
  
  *I can put words and pictures into groups.*

- With guidance and support from adults, identify real—life connections between words and their uses. (Underpinning)

  *I can make real life connections between words and their uses.*

Reasoning Targets:

- With guidance and support from adults, distinguish shades of meaning among similar verbs. (Underpinning)

  *I can figure out the meaning of verbs with similar meanings.*

- With guidance and support from adults, distinguish adjectives differing in intensity by defining, choosing and applying them.

  *I can choose different adjectives that mean the same thing to make my work stronger.*
### Performance Skill Targets:

- With guidance and support from adults, act out the meanings of similar verbs.
  
  _I can act out the meaning of verbs that are alike._

### 1.L.6 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships. (e.g., I named my hamster Nibblet because she nibbles too much because she likes that.)

### Knowledge Targets:

- Acquire words and phrases through conversations, reading, being read to, responding to text. (Underpinning)
  
  _I can learn new words by listening to others, and reading._

- Identify and use frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships. (Underpinning)
  
  _I can identify conjunctions._

### Reasoning Targets:

- Distinguish between words and phrases, including those that signal simple relationships, acquired through conversations, reading, being read to, responding to text.
  
  _I can tell words apart by listening to others and reading._

### Performance Skill Targets:

- Demonstrate the ability to frequently use words and phrases, including conjunctions, acquired through conversations, reading, being read to, responding to text.
  
  _I can use words and phrases and conjunctions that I have_