

Sixth Grade

OREGON State Standards

English Language Arts and Literacy

Sixth Grade Reading Literature(6.RL)

Key Ideas and Details

6.RL.1	Analyze what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially; cite textual evidence to support the analysis.*
6.RL.2	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.
6.RL.3	Describe how a particular literary text's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.*

Craft and Structure

6.RL.4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings.*
6.RL.5	Analyze how a particular sentence, chapter, scene, or stanza fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot.
6.RL.6	Explain how an author develops the point of view or perspective of the narrator or speaker in a text.*

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

6.RL.7	Compare and contrast the experience of reading a story, drama, or poem to listening to or viewing an audio, video, or live version of the text, including contrasting what they "see" and "hear" when reading the text to what they perceive when they listen or watch.
6.RL.8	(Not applicable to literature)
6.RL.9	Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics.*

Sixth Grade Reading Literature(cont)

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

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| 6.RL.10 | By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grades 6–8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. |
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Sixth Grade Reading Informational Text (6.RI)

Key Ideas and Details

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| 6.RI.1 | Analyze what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially; cite textual evidence to support the analysis.* |
| 6.RI.2 | Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments. |
| 6.RI.3 | Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text.* |

Craft and Structure

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| 6.RI.4 | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings |
| 6.RI.5 | Analyze how a particular sentence, paragraph, chapter, or section fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the ideas. |
| 6.RI.6 | Determine an author's perspective and/or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.* |

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

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| 6.RI.7 | Integrate information presented in different media or formats as well as in words to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue. |
| 6.RI.8 | Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not. |
| 6.RI.9 | Compare and contrast one author's presentation of events with that of another.* |

Sixth Grade Reading Informational Text (cont)

Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity

6.RI.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 6– 8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
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Sixth Grade Writing Standards (6.W)

Text Types and Purposes

6.W.1	Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.
6.W.1a	Introduce claim(s) and organize the reasons and evidence clearly.
6.W.1b	Support claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence, using credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.
6.W.1c	Use words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim(s) and reasons
6.W.1d	Establish and maintain an appropriate style for content, purpose, and audience.* .
6.W.1e	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the argument presented.
6.W.2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
6.W.2a	Introduce a topic; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting, graphics, and multimedia when useful in comprehension.*
6.W.2b	Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
6.W.2c	Use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.

Sixth Grade Writing Standards (cont)

6.W.2d	Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
6.W.2e	Establish and maintain an appropriate style for content, purpose, and audience.*
6.W.2f	Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation presented.
6.W.3	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
6.W.3a	Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.
6.W.3b	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters
6.W.3c	Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another
6.W.3d	Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to convey experiences and events.
6.W.3e	Provide a conclusion that follows from the narrated experiences or events.

Production and Distribution of Writing

6.W.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.)
6.W.5	With some guidance and support, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1–3 up to and including grade 6.)*
6.W.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to link to and cite sources, as well as to interact and collaborate with others.*

Sixth Grade Writing Standards (cont)

Research to Build and Present Knowledge

6.W.7	Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources, and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.
6.W.8	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources; assess the credibility of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and providing basic bibliographic information for sources.
6.W.9	Draw and cite evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

Range of Writing

6.W.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.
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Sixth Grade Language Standards (6.L)

Conventions of Standard English

6.L.1	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
6.L.1a	Ensure that pronouns are in the proper case.*
6.L.1b	Use intensive pronouns
6.L.1c*	Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person.
6.L.1d*	Recognize and correct vague pronouns
6.L.1e*	Recognize variations from standard English in their own and others' writing and speaking, and identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language.
6.L.2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

Sixth Grade Language Standards (cont)

6.L.2a*	Use punctuation to set off nonrestrictive/parenthetical elements.*
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6.L.2b	Spell correctly.
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Knowledge of Language

6.L.3	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
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6.L.3a*	Vary sentence patterns for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.
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6.L.3b*	Maintain consistency in style and tone.
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Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

6.L.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 6 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
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6.L.4a	Use context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.*
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6.L.4b	Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word.*
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6.L.4c	Consult dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses, and other reference materials, both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.*
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6.L.4d	Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase.*
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6.L.5	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
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6.L.5a	Interpret figures of speech in context.*
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6.L.5b	Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.*
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6.L.5c	Distinguish among the connotations of words with similar denotations.*
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6.L.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.
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Sixth Grade Speaking and Listening Standards (6.SL)

Comprehension and Collaboration

6.SL.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 6 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
6.SL.1a	Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
6.SL.1b	Follow rules for collegial discussions, set specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
6.SL.1c	Pose and respond to specific questions with elaboration and detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or issue under discussion.
6.SL.1d	Review the key ideas expressed and demonstrate understanding of multiple perspectives through reflection and paraphrasing.
6.SL.2	Interpret information presented in diverse media and formats and explain how it contributes to a topic, text, or issue under study.*
6.SL.3	Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

6.SL.4	Present claims and/or findings, sequencing ideas logically and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and details to accentuate main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
6.SL.5	Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify information.*
6.SL.6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of 6th grade level language conventions when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 6 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)