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<td>Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. o A. Introduce claim(s) and organize the reasons and evidence clearly. o B. Support claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence, using credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text. o C. Use words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim(s) and reasons. o D. Establish and maintain a formal style. o E. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the argument presented.</td>
<td>WHST 6-8.1. Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content. A. Introduce claim(s) about a topic or issue, acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically. B. Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant, accurate data and evidence that demonstrate an understanding of the topic or text, using credible sources. o C. Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. o D. Establish and maintain a formal style. o E. Provide a concluding statement or section.</td>
<td>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. o A. 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. o B. Follow rules for collegial discussions, set specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed. o C. Pose and respond to specific questions with elaboration and detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or issue under discussion. o D. Review the key ideas expressed and demonstrate understanding of multiple perspectives through reflection and paraphrasing.</td>
<td>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. o A. Ensure that pronouns are in the proper case (subjective, objective, possessive). o B. Use all pronouns, including intensive pronouns (e.g., myself, ourselves) correctly. o C. Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person.* o D. Recognize and correct vague pronouns (i.e., ones with unclear or ambiguous antecedents).* o E. Recognize variations from standard English in their own and others’ writing and speaking, and identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language.*</td>
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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.

Analyze in detail how a key individual, event, or idea is introduced, illustrated, and elaborated in a text (e.g., through examples or anecdotes).

Describe how a particular story’s or drama’s plot unfolds in a series of episodes as the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution.

RH.6-8.2. Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

RH.6-8.3. Identify key steps in a text’s description of a process related to history/social studies (e.g., how a bill becomes law, how interest rates are raised or lowered).

RST.6-8.2. Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.

W.6.2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content. o A. Introduce a topic or thesis statement; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

W.6.3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences. o A. 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.

W.6.4. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences to develop experiences, events, and/or characters. o B. Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

WHST.6-8.2. Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.

WHST.6-8.3. (See note; not applicable as a separate requirement) Note: Students’ narrative skills continue to grow in these grades. The Standards require that students be able to incorporate narrative elements effectively into arguments and informative/explanatory texts. In history/social studies, students must be able to incorporate narrative accounts into their analyses of individuals or events of historical import. In science and technical subjects, students must be able to write precise enough descriptions of the step-by-step procedures they use in their investigations or technical work that others can replicate them and (possibly) reach the same results.

Delineate a speaker’s argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.

Interpret information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how it contributes to a topic, text, or issue under study.

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<p>| Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone. (See grade 6 Language standards 4-6 for additional expectations.) | 6-8.4. Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8 texts and topics. | Present claims and findings (e.g., argument, narrative, informative, response to literature presentations), sequencing ideas logically and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and details and non-verbal elements to accentuate main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation. A. Plan and deliver an informative/explanatory presentation that: develops a topic with relevant facts, definitions, and concrete details; uses appropriate transitions to clarify relationships; uses precise language and domain specific vocabulary; and provides a strong conclusion. 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. o 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. o B. Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., audience, auditory, audible). o C. Consult 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. 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). | W.6.4. 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.) | WHST.6-8.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. |</p>
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<th>Analyze how a particular sentence, paragraph, chapter, or section fits into the overall structure of a text and contributes to the development of the theme, setting, or plot.</th>
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<th>Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.</th>
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<th>Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. o A. Interpret figures of speech (e.g., personification) in context. o B. Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/category) to better understand each of the words. o C. Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., stingy, scrimping, economical, unwasteful, thrifty).</th>
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<td>Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text.</td>
<td>RH.6-8.6. Identify aspects of a text that reveal an author’s point of view or purpose (e.g., loaded language, inclusion or avoidance of particular facts).</td>
<td>RST.6-8.6. Analyze the author’s purpose in providing an explanation, describing a procedure, or discussing an experiment in a text.</td>
<td>W.6.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of three pages in a single sitting.</td>
<td>WHST.6-8.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.</td>
<td>Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 6 Language standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)</td>
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<td><strong>6.7</strong></td>
<td>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.</td>
<td>RST.6-8.7</td>
<td>Integrate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text with a version of that information expressed visually (e.g., in a flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table).</td>
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<td>Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.</td>
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<td><strong>6.8</strong></td>
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<td>RI.6.8. 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.</td>
<td>RH.6-8.7</td>
<td>Distinguish among fact, opinion, and reasoned judgment in a text.</td>
<td>WHST.6-8.7</td>
<td>Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources (primary and secondary), 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.</td>
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<td>Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres (e.g., stories and poems; historical novels and fantasy stories) in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics.</td>
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<td>Compare and contrast one author’s presentation of events with that of another (e.g., a memoir written by and a biography on the same person).</td>
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<td>RI.6.10.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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