

Language Arts – Grade 7
Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn CSD
Grade Level/Course Benchmarks

By the end of 7th grade students will:

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 1

1. use a variety of strategies to pre-write, draft, revise, edit and publish written work
2. evaluate their own and others writing
3. write responses to various literary genre

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 2

1. use descriptive language to clarify and enhance ideas
2. use a variety of sentence structures in correct paragraph form
3. demonstrate the ability to organize ideas in a variety of writing styles
4. use a variety of transitional devices in writing

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 3

1. use correct mechanics (i.e. parts of speech, punctuation, capitalization), word choice, usage, and sentence structure in writing.
2. demonstrate competence in writing reflections to literature read

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 5

1. demonstrate use of pre-reading skills to understand literature
2. reflect on what has been learned after reading
3. identify author's purpose in literature

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 6

1. understand vocabulary through use of contextual clues
2. understand that people respond differently to literature
3. identify main and subordinate characters in literature
4. demonstrate the ability to use literary devices such as foreshadowing and flash backs

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 7

1. read for a variety of purposes
2. understand vocabulary used in informational literature
3. recognize when information presented in a text is new knowledge

7th Grade Language Arts Standard 9

1. demonstrate competence in skills that lead to effective listening
2. organize and deliver expository speeches
3. evaluate peer speaking and listening skills.