

5th Grade Language Arts

The purpose of this document is to clarify what students should know and be able to do each quarter (Q).

Competencies		Q 2	Q 3	Q 4
C1—Writing Literary Texts The student uses literary characteristics and craft to compose literary texts using the writing process.	х	х		x
C2—Writing Informational Texts The student uses informational characteristics and craft to compose informational texts using the writing process.		х	х	х
C3—Edits Own Writing The student edits their own writing for grade appropriate conventions.	х	х	Х	х



Learning Progression for Competency 1: Writing Literary Texts

The student uses literary characteristics and craft to compose literary texts using the writing process.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Stays focused on the story	Explains purpose to others, keeping the reader in mind	Chooses a message to share as their purpose	Meets all of proficient and
Follows a narrative plot		Explains their message to others	Builds tension or suspense for the
structure, including conflict	Stays focused on the story and		reader
and resolution	their purpose	Stays focused on the story and their message	
			Studies organizational patterns from
	Follows a narrative plot structure	Follows a narrative plot structure including:	mentor texts and tries them out in
	including:	 rising action 	their writing (non-linear elements
	 introduction 	• climax	such as flashback)
	 rising action 	 falling action 	
	• climax	resolution	
	falling action		
	resolution	Develops characters, setting, and plot	
	conclusion	throughout the rising action and climax	
		Includes an	
		• introduction that quickly engages reader in	
		the story	
		 conclusion that brings it to a logical 	
		conclusion	

Success Criteria for Writing Literary Texts:

The student can:

- use a writing process to compose a literary piece.
- select own topic to write about.
- choose and share a message as the purpose for writing.
- explain a message to an audience.
- stay focused on the story and message.
- follow a narrative plot structure.
- develop characters throughout the rising action and climax in piece.



Competencies and Progressions

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced		
 include an introduction that quickly engages the reader. 					
 include a logical conclusion 	usion.				



Learning Progression for Competency 3: Edits Own Writing

The student edits their own writing for grade appropriate conventions.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Edits using available resources to	Edits using available resources to	Drafts using correct conventions	Reflects on past convention errors
correct some errors	correct most errors	and uses available resources and	and does not make the same
		mentors to correct errors	mistakes
			Explains how their editing moves
			improved the quality of their
			writing and helped achieved their
			purpose
Success Criteria for Proficient in Edit	s Own Writing:		
The student can:			
 draft using correct conventio 	ns.		
 reread writing. 			
 use available resources and r 	nentors to correct errors.		