

5th Grade Reading and Language Arts Competencies—GP1

The purpose of this document is to clarify what students should know and be able to do in Quarter 1.

The **Competencies** listed in the table below are developed from the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for that grade level. The chart defines which quarter the Competency is reported (Q1 = Grading Period 1, Q2 = Grading Period 2, etc.).

Teachers will report on the competencies using the **Grading Progressions** which are comprised of four proficiency levels (developing (DV), progressing (PG), and proficient (PF)) and defines the knowledge and skills students will master on their pathway to proficiency. The Grading Progressions for each Competency are below the yearlong outline of the Competencies. The Grading Progressions define what a student knows and is able to do related to that competency at the end of a unit or quarter. To see what success on each individual competency looks like in a particular unit, please see the **Public Overview** document for the course.

Students who receive a mark of "**Proficient**" meet the grade level expectation for that Competency.

Competencies	GP 1	GP2	GP3	GP4
RC1—Analysis of Literary Plots	x	x	х	х
The student analyzes the story by thinking about how the events work together in the plot.	^	^	^	^
RC2—Characters and Theme in Literary Text				
The student analyzes the relationships and interactions of characters to infer the theme of literary texts.	X	X	Х	Х
RC3—Central Idea and Details in Informational/Argumentative Texts				
The student infers the author's central idea/claim in informational and argumentative texts by thinking about the		Х	Х	Х
details and text features.				
RC4 Text Structure and Author's Purpose in Informational/Argumentative Texts				
The student analyzes the informational and argumentative texts by thinking about the text structures and author's			Х	Х
purpose.				
RC5—Response to Reading				
The student discusses, writes, and provides text evidence to show how they comprehend text.	X	Х	Х	Х
RC6—Analysis of Author's Craft	v	v	V	V
The student analyzes the authors' craft choices and how they influence and communicate meaning within texts.	X	X	Х	X



WC7— Purpose	х	х	v	~
The student communicates meaning in their writing.	^	^	^	^
WC8—Genre & Structure				
The student's writing reflects the typical features and structures of the genre in which they write.	Х	Х	Х	X
WC9—Details & Voice	x	v	x	v
The student's use of details and voice enhance the meaning of their writing.	^	~	^	^
WC10—Conventions				
The student uses spelling, punctuation marks and grammar conventions correctly in their writing.	Х	Х	Х	Х

Evidence can be gathered throughout the designated grading periods and can be collected through (but not limited to):

- Explicit Teach
- Guided practice
- Guided reading and small group instruction
- Independent reading and conferring
- Independent writing and conferring



Learning Progression for Reading Competency 1: Analysis of Literary Plots (GP1-GP4)

The student analyzes literary plots.

Note: At this competency, students are able to analyze plot elements using different levels of text.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Identifies and sequences Si important events <i>such as</i> : and conflict rising action climax falling action resolution setting	ProgressingSummarizes the text in a logical orderand includes story elements such as:• sequence of events• rising action• climax• falling action• resolutionIdentifies multiple problems (whenappliable) in a story and understandsthat they contribute to the mainproblemDescribes how a setting changes (shifts)• Ex: Does the setting have animpact on the mood or tone?	ProficientAnalyzes (breaks down) the plot and discusses how parts connect to others:• sequence of events• rising action• climax• falling action• resolutionEx. How does the conflict connect to the important event?Analyze the influence the setting has on the plotExplains connections between multiple causes and effects in a story and demonstrates their understanding (GP2- GP4)	Advanced Recognizes the author's use of plots and subplots and explains how they work together in the story Evaluates the effectiveness of the author's plot development Analyzes literary plots using a more complex text



Learning Progressions for Reading Competency 2: Characters and Theme in Literary Text (GP1)

The student analyzes characters, their relationships and interactions, and infers the themes of literary texts.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Describes relationships and interactions between characters showing positive or negative sides Explains how a character's feelings change and the events that cause the changes	Progressing Identifies and interprets several less obvious character traits and feelings that reveal a character's complexity such as: • showing the traits, thoughts, or feelings that contradicts • showing both positive and negative sides of the character's personality	Proficient Explains how the conflict affects the main character Explains how interactions and relationships with other characters caused the character to change	Advanced Recognizes and explains multiple sides of the character and how the character connects to the theme



Learning Progression for Reading Competency 5: Response to Reading (GP1-GP4)

The student discusses and writes about texts, supporting ideas with text evidence. ** This competency can be assessed in conjunction with other competencies.**

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Responds using general language	Retells, paraphrases, or summarizes	Retells, paraphrases, or summarizes	Writes responses that demonstrate
	texts	texts in ways that maintain meaning	understanding of texts, including
Demonstrates general ideas		and logical order	comparing and contrasting ideas
about the text	Uses notetaking, annotating,		across a variety of sources
	freewriting, illustrating, or	Uses notetaking, annotating,	
Misrepresents ideas in the text	questioning to track thinking in one	freewriting, illustrating, or questioning	Synthesizes information to create
	way	to track thinking in multiple ways	new understanding
Response is not connected or			
loosely connected to the ideas in	Describes personal connections to a	Writes responses that demonstrate	Effectively explains connections
the text	variety of texts	understanding of texts	between well-chosen text evidence and the central idea of the response
Relies solely on background	Responds using academic language	Responds using academic language,	
knowledge rather than texts to		including newly acquired content	
support thinking	Discusses specific ideas in the text	vocabulary	
	that are important to the meaning		
		Makes inferences and uses relevant	
	Finds text evidence to support	and accurate text evidence to support	
	responses, but has difficulty selecting the <i>best</i> evidence	responses	
		Explains connections between the text	
		evidence selected and the central idea	
		of the response	



Learning Progressions for Reading Competency 6: Analysis of Author's Craft (GP1-GP4)

The student analyzes the authors' craft choices and how they influence and communicate meaning within texts.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Discusses a general author's	States a general reason of the	Explains the author's purpose and message	Discusses how language
purpose or message	author's purpose and message	within a text	contributes to the overall voice and mood of the text
Identifies the use of craft	Explains the impact of how text	Explains how the use of text structure	
choices <i>such as</i> :	structure contributes to the text with	contributes to the author's purpose within the	Evaluates the effectiveness of
Text structure	some prompting	text	the author's craft choices
Print features			
Graphic features	Makes general explanations of the use	Analyzes the use of print and graphic features	
	of print and graphic features	are used to achieve specific purposes	
Notices descriptive, figurative,			
or interesting language	Identifies some descriptive, figurative,	Notices and explains author's purpose for	
	or interesting language but is	descriptive, figurative, or interesting language	
	confused about its purpose	to communicate meaning, or mood within the	
		text	
	Identifies some uses of punctuation		
	but is confused with its purpose	Identifies and discusses interesting uses of	
		punctuation to communicate meaning	
		Examines how language contributes to the	
		overall voice of the text	



Learning Progression for Writing Competency 7: Purpose (GP1-GP4)

The student communicates meaning in their writing.

** This progression is partially assessed through writing conferences asking questions such as:

- What are you going to say about your topic?
- What are you trying to say? What point are you trying to make?

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Uses the writing process	Uses the writing process	Uses the writing process	Includes features and elements in
			their writing found in a higher
Unclear or confused about	Explains purpose to others, keeping the	Chooses a message to share as their purpose	grade level of the Literacy
the meaning they want to	reader in mind		Continuum.
communicate		Explains their message to others	
	Knows what they want to say about		Refer to the writing process section
Unclear or confused about	their topic, but they have not	Communicates meaning in their writing	– Purpose and Audience to select
their audience	communicated their meaning in the		goals for students
	writing	Meaning influences other decisions they	
		make in composing their writing	
	Identifies their audience but has not		
	made any decisions in their writing based on their audience	Identifies an audience for their writing	
	based on their addience	Influences decisions students make about	
		their writing	



Learning Progression for Writing Competency 8: Genre & Structure (GP1) The student's writing reflects the typical features and structures of the genre in which they write.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:
Uses the writing process	Uses the writing process	Uses the writing process	Stays focused on the story and
 Follows a narrative plot structure including (but may lose focus): Beginning Middle End 	Stays focused on the story Follows a general narrative plot structure including: • Beginning • Middle • End • Conflict • Resolution Elaborates on conflict Uses general transitions	 Stays focused on the story on the moment in time Focuses on one or more scenes which are ordered in time/sequential order Understands and follows a narrative plot structure including: Setting Problem Series of Events: Conflict is introduced, rising action is leading the climax, Resolution of Problem Conflict* (internal and external) Uses transitions effectively Showed what happened to (and in) the character(s) and the relationships they have Includes an Introduction hooks the reader's attention Conclusion that completes the story writes more about significant moments* Is the student sharing something that is of significance or that they are passionate about? 	their message Attempts to build tension or suspense for the reader



Learning Progression for Writing Competency 9: Details & Voice (GP1) The student's use of details and voice enhance the meaning of their writing.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:	Personal Narrative:
Contains few details	Includes general details		-
Contains few details Lists details Uses few punctuation	Includes general details Uses words that are general and repetitive Uses similar sentence structures with limited variation	 Includes details in their piece that help develop meaning and support the idea or purpose Writes with a range of genre-specific details and examples: Dialogue Character's thoughts, feelings, and actions Description of characters Description of setting Details may create imagery at times Uses descriptive words to develop meaning Uses punctuation to support voice such as (but not 	Includes specific, relevant details in their piece that enhance idea or purpose Details may create imagery at times through a variety of ways including figurative language and sensory details Word choice is purposeful and precise in their details
		 bises pultituation to support voice such as (but not limited to): ellipse dash !!! or ?!?! - Repetition of punctuation marks Gives voice to their writing by using a variety of sentence structures 	



Learning Progression for Writing Competency 10: Conventions (GP1-GP4)

The student uses spelling, punctuation marks and grammar conventions correctly in their writing.

Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced
Edits using available resources to correct some errors	Edits using available resources to correct most errors	Drafts using correct conventions and uses available resources and mentors to correct errors	Reflects on past convention errors and does not make the same mistakes
			Explains how their editing moves improved the quality of their writing and helped achieved their purpose
All Quarters draft using correct conventio reread writing use available resources and r			

First Quarter

• use complete simple sentences with subject-verb agreement

Second Quarter

- use a comma and an *and* to join two sentences in their writing, a comma and *but* to join two contrasting (different) sentences in their writing, a comma and *or* to join sentences to present choices in their writing
- open and close words spoken aloud with quotation marks in their writing
- use punctuation with dialogue tags and quotation marks in their writing
- use prepositions and prepositional phrases in their writing to show location, time, direction, or space
- check that my subjects match my verbs in their writing when they are interrupted by a prepositional phrase
- pronouns in place of a noun in their writing
- indefinite pronouns in place of nouns in their writing

Third Quarter

- compose combine or complex sentences in their writing with correct punctuation
- compare two things in their writing using -er or more
- compare three or more things in their writing using -est or most
- capitalize initials, acronyms, abbreviations, and names of organizations in their writing



Developing	Progressing	Proficient	Advanced	
Fourth Quarter				
 Fourth Quarter compose combine or complex sentences in their writing with correct punctuation compare two things in their writing using -er or more compare three or more things in their writing using -est or most capitalize initials, acronyms, abbreviations, and names of organizations in their writing 				