# Common Framework of Reference (CFR) Condensed: Grade 8

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#### Introduction:

The following pages are a condensed version of the original CFR documents for reading and writing created in 2015 by the Ministry of Education in partnership with Saskatoon Public School Division.

In order to make the document more user-friendly for classroom teachers, Prairie Spirit School Division sought to create a similar resource that teachers could use for the purposes of assessment, reporting to parents, and directing their teaching practice. Key features are as follows:

- 1. One document has been created for each grade to reduce superfluous material.
- 2. The rubric is intended to be compact and easy to scan visually as a single two-sided document. The descriptors come straight from the original CFR documents.
- 3. The rubric is formatted as a checklist for teachers to use as formative assessment.
- 4. The rubric includes a space for student information so that teachers can print one for each EAL student to easily track their progress.
- 5. An appendix is included with material referred to in the rubric (ie. Sight word lists, semantic maps, vocabulary templates, etc.).
- 6. Grade level expectations are included from the original document in order to make it applicable to all students.
- 7. Writing exemplars from the original document are included to assist teachers in comparing and scoring accuracy, not only for the EAL student but for all students.

The rubrics in this document are intended for teachers as a way of updating parents on student progress during parent teacher interviews and/or for conferring with other teachers on student achievement. These rubrics are NOT intended to give to parents.

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# **General Overview Grade Eight Writing**

A1.1	Grades 8 students at A 1.1 can write the alphabet independently and, with assistance, some simple words. At the A 1.1 stage, students can print their own name, copy/write names of familiar objects, and convey meaning through drawings. They are aware of sound to symbol relationships, often representing a word with its beginning consonant. With assistance, they can write a patterned sentence and can fill in a questionnaire about themselves.
A1.2	Grades 8 students at A 1.2 are beginning, with support, to use subject area vocabulary and descriptive words. Their ideas are beginning to be connected by a topic. They are able to produce simple descriptions of everyday objects, simple informal messages, as well as label diagrams. They are attempting to use capital letters and some punctuation. They are able to produce simple sentences, including questions, in the present tense using familiar, learned patterns.
A2.1	Grades 8 students at A 2.1 use straightforward sentences and expressions to describe such things as their surroundings, their daily activities, and the people around them. They are using descriptive words, singular and plural word forms as well as some prepositions, and transitional words.
A2.2	Grades 8 students at A 2.2 describe personal experiences, common objects, or familiar places using short, straightforward sentences. They are using important connecting words, transitions, and more varied sentence types. They are attempting more advanced types of punctuation.
B1.1	Grades 8 students at B 1.1 have sufficient vocabulary to express themselves on most familiar topics of interest to them. Errors occur, but the intent of the communication is usually clear. B 1.1 students are beginning to use academic vocabulary and are capable of writing multi paragraph compositions in a number of genres.
B1.2	Grades 8 students at B 1.2 can write about familiar topics using comparison and contrast; describe objects of interest including the advantages and disadvantages involved; and present a personal opinion about an issue. These students can write descriptions of a process using appropriate transitional language. Their use of punctuation approaches that of grade level as does their facility to use appropriate conventions and spelling.



Grade 8 CFR Writing Rubric	Student Name:	Primary Language:	Current CFR:
Teacher:	School:	School Year:	Year End CFR:

A1.1 Vocabulary	A1.2 Vocabulary	A2.1 Vocabulary	A2.2 Vocabulary	B1.1 Vocabulary	B1.2 Vocabulary
Writes simple words and very simple	Begins to use subject area vocabulary, with assistance	Uses a variety of descriptive words when writing about a familiar topic	Uses prepositions of direction and place (e.g. behind, across from)	Uses some academic vocabulary	Frequently uses subject specific
sentences, with assistance	vocabulary, with assistance	when writing about a familiar topic	Uses some content area vocabulary	Uses prepositions with increased accuracy	vocabulary
Writes words of personal relevance (e.g. mom, dad)	Begins to use descriptive words (e.g. color, shape, size) on familiar topics	Uses content area vocabulary, with support	Uses adjectives and some adverbs to add detail	Writes simple descriptions on a variety of topics or experiences	Uses a variety of words including words with multiple meanings and different word forms
Uses limited descriptive words, with support	Fills in gapped text using a word list of familiar vocabulary  Labels a diagram using a word list	Produces personal word lists of familiar or recurring vocabulary	Fills in missing facts, names and subject specific words in simple gapped text		Uses prepositions with accuracy
Labels a diagram or picture using familiar words from a word list		Uses simple prepositions (e.g. in, on)	Writes information on daily life, an event or personal experience, using simple language (e.g. celebrations)	_	

A1.1 Conventions	A1.2 Conventions	A2.1 Conventions	A2.2 Conventions	B1.1 Conventions	B1.2 Conventions
Writes alphabet independently	Uses word families in writing	Uses phonetic spelling for entire words	Edits own work, with assistance	Demonstrates knowledge of	Uses grade/age appropriate
Represents sound-symbol relationships for all letters	Uses simple sight words (e.g. <i>and, is, the</i> )	Writes a growing number of sight words with increased accuracy	Spells common high-frequency words with accuracy	common spelling patterns	conventions and spelling, with few errors
Uses a writing utensil correctly	Begins to use phonetic spelling for most words (beginning and ending consonants)	Demonstrates knowledge of diphthongs (e.g. th, wh, ch)		Edits own work, with little support	Edits own work as well as peer writing
May represent a word using a single letter (e.g. beginning consonant)	Demonstrates knowledge of digraphs		_	Spells common words accurately	
May not leave separation between words	Demonstrates knowledge of initial and final blends				
	Spells his/her name and address				

A1.1 Mechanics	A1.2 Mechanics	A2.1 Mechanics	A2.2 Mechanics	B1.1 Mechanics	B1.2 Mechanics
Demonstrates little awareness of capitalization and punctuation	Uses capital letters and final punctuation, with errors	Uses capitals and final punctuation, with some errors	Uses capitals and punctuation with greater accuracy	Uses capitals and basic punctuation, with few errors	Demonstrates mastery of capitals and basic punctuation
	Leaves spaces between most words		Begins to use advanced punctuation (e.g. commas, apostrophes, quotes), with support	Uses advanced punctuation (e.g. apostrophes, quotes), with errors	Uses advanced punctuation appropriate to grade level

A1.1 Grammar & Syntax	A1.2 Grammar & Syntax	A2.1 Grammar & Syntax	A2.2 Grammar & Syntax	B1.1 Grammar & Syntax	B1.2 Grammar & Syntax
Uses singular and plural words, with significant support	Uses singular and plurals, with some errors	Uses singular and plural word forms	Uses pronouns, with errors	Demonstrates some faculty with word order and plurals	Demonstrates control of word order and plurals
	Writes in simple present tense using a sentence frame (e.g. I like apples; I can jump)	Writes short sentences in simple past and present continuous tense (e.g. I ate., You are eating.)	Writes short sentences using irregular past (e.g. ate, drank, saw)	Experiments with verb tenses	Uses multiple verb tenses and inflected endings with greater accuracy
	Uses subject-predicate order, with some accuracy	Uses common prepositions of location and direction, with errors	Uses simple grammatical structures accurately	Attempts subject-verb agreement	Uses subject-verb agreement with increasing accuracy
					Uses irregular past tense with greater accuracy (e.g. sank, ate)

A1.1 Ideas	A1.2 Ideas	A2.1 Ideas	A2.2 Ideas	B1.1 Ideas	B1.2 Ideas
Relies on visuals or illustrations to convey meaning	Writes brief messages (e.g. birthday note, postcard message)	Writes simple reminders or notes for personal use (journal, school planner)	Provides some concrete details such as where, what and when	Writes short notes asking for or giving simple information	Writes about familiar topics using comparison and contrast words
May write L1 words to communicate  Writes simple phrases and sentences	Writes simple information about themselves (e.g. name, age, address)	Writes simple notes of greeting, invitation, thanks or best wishes	Provides descriptions of objects or places using short, direct sentences	Writes simple instructions about familiar procedures, with assistance	Describes objects of interest, explaining the advantages and disadvantages
on topics of personal relevance, with support	Writes simple descriptions of everyday objects (e.g. home, family)	Writes short sentences expressing beliefs, wants and preferences	Writes a summary sentence of a text's main points with a few details	Writes reflections on classroom learnings and learning goals	Presents, in simple sentences, an opinion about an issue or event
Writes straightforward information about themselves in short sentences		Uses simple sentences to describe surroundings, activities, or people	Writes key words during an oral presentation	Writes short, simple descriptions on familiar subjects using adjectives and adverbs	Writes simple instructions about familiar procedures using transitional
		Writes an explanation of where they live and how to get there, with visual	Exchanges useful information via emails or notes with friends	Writes about story elements using a graphic organizer	language
	_		Provides personal reactions to a piece of age-appropriate literature	Summarizes simple text on familiar subjects	Provides details about story elements (e.g. setting, plot) using a graphic organizer
					Provides personal reactions to class work or experiments in a learning journal

A1.1 Organization	A1.2 Organization	A2.1 Organization	A2.2 Organization	B1.1 Organization	B1.2 Organization
Uses left to right directionality	Begins to connect ideas by topic	Writes an introduction and/or conclusion, with assistance	Writes straightforward text using transitional words to indicate	Describes everyday places, objects, events using complete sentences	Sequences text logically
Writes on the line	Begins to use 'and' as a connecting word	Begins to use transition words (e.g.	chronological order (e.g. then, after)	that are connected and clearly written	Writing is concise
		first, next, then), with assistance	Devises a timeline for a topic	Sequences text, generally on one topic	
		Organizes text by chronological sequence, with support			-
		Writes on a single topic	]		

A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Form	Form	Form	Form	Form	Form
Writes patterned sentences, with support	Writes simple sentences using a familiar learned pattern	Uses compound sentences, with overuse of conjunctions (e.g. and, then)	Writes straightforward questions	Writes complex sentences and experiments with linking shorter elements into a linear sequence	Writes a short descriptive, narrative or expository text
Copies or writes own name	Copies or writes words and simple phrases being learned in class	Copies dates and facts from short simple text	Writes simple stories	Produces writing in more than one genre (e.g. report, journal)	Writes short summaries of narrative or expository text including audio-visual
Labels a diagram or illustration using familiar words from a list	Writes simple questions, following a model	Writes a simple paragraph, with assistance	Writes compound sentences	Writes a series of paragraphs on one topic	Writes in more advanced forms (e.g. compare/contrast, problem/solution)
Copies or writes labels on familiar objects in a picture or diagram	Responds to simple questions using a sentence frame	Writes and responds to simple questions	Writes complex sentences, with assistance	Uses the writing process	Writes a detailed paragraph
Copies short written text from the board	Copies facts from short, simple texts	Uses parts of the writing process	Writes a simple paragraph	Sometimes demonstrates awareness of an audience	Writes a five-paragraph essay, with support
Copies words being learned in class	Writes a simple paragraph alongside teacher		Writes about class work in a learning journal, using a writing frame		Writes personal letters describing feelings, experiences and reactions
	Uses part of the writing process (e.g. prewriting) with assistance		Uses the writing process, with support		Recounts personal experiences
					Writes a variety of sentence types
					Demonstrates awareness of audience

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) WRITING EXPECTATIONS - GRADE 8**

A Grade Eight student meeting curricular expectations is performing at level four of the six level ELA curriculum rubric. The student writes compositions that are clear and straightforward. The compositions are adequately developed, appropriate to purpose, and show an awareness of audience. The student demonstrates control over the language elements and techniques. Minor errors, though noticeable, do not impede communication.

VOCABULARY	✓ Uses words appropriate for audience, purpose, and context.
<ul><li>Knowledge of v</li><li>Word choice</li></ul>	words  ✓ Uses specific words and synonyms for variety. ✓ Uses words figuratively (e.g., similes, metaphors, and personification) and for imagery.
CONVENTIONS	✓ Spells most grade appropriate words correctly.
<ul> <li>Spelling</li> </ul>	✓ Uses Canadian spellings.
Phonemic awa	reness ✓ Selects and uses a variety of spelling strategies and resources.
<ul> <li>Print knowledge</li> </ul>	ge ✓ Uses legible cursive handwriting.
	✓ Arranges and balances words and visuals as well as fonts (typefaces/print) to send coherent, clear messages.
MECHANICS	✓ Uses appropriate capitalization and correct and effective punctuation (such as
<ul> <li>Punctuation</li> </ul>	periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes, and hyphens).
<ul> <li>Capitalization</li> </ul>	✓
GRAMMAR AND SY	'NTAX ✓ Ensures sentences are complete, interesting, and on topic.
	✓ Uses clear sentence structures that contain a verb and its subject.
	✓ Attends to subject-verb agreement and noun-pronoun agreement.
	✓ Ensures sentences use appropriate verb tense.
IDEAS	✓ Provides relevant details, examples, and explanations.
<ul> <li>Meaning</li> </ul>	✓ Uses paragraphs that have main ideas and supporting details.
<ul> <li>Details</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Clarity</li> </ul>	
ORGANIZATION	✓ Maintains focus from beginning to end providing a clear sequence with related
<ul> <li>Sequencing</li> </ul>	ideas grouped together.
<ul> <li>Coherence</li> </ul>	✓ Uses subordination to show the relationship between ideas (e.g., because,
<ul> <li>Transitioning</li> </ul>	although, when).
	✓ Uses a variety of transitional words.
	✓ Combines closely related ideas into compound structures using conjunctions or
	joining words.
	✓ Includes appropriate, required text features (e.g., titles, headings, illustrations).
FORM	✓ Understands and uses a range of standard forms for texts including paragraphs
<ul> <li>Following mod</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Using different</li> </ul>	
genres	cause/effect, enumerative, comparison/contrast, etc.).
<ul> <li>Using sentence</li> </ul>	
variety	✓ Varies sentence beginnings.
	✓ Creates a variety of written text including personal narratives, responses or
	reactions to texts stories, reports, articles, introductions, instructions,
	explanations, letters, scripts, and poems.
	✓ Writes multi-paragraph (minimum of five paragraphs) compositions of at least
	500-800 words.

#### **LEARNER WRITING EXEMPLARS: GRADES 8**

#### **Learner Profile for EAL A 1.1**

Khubaibii is a Grade Eight student whose writing is at the A 1.1 level.

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In the writing sample, you will see that Khubaibi:

- Writes simple sight words and very simple sentences with assistance;
- Uses limited descriptive words with support;
- Writes simple phrases and sentences on topics of personal relevance if provided with support;
- Uses left to right directionality;
- Writes on the paper's lines;
- Writes patterned sentence with assistance;
- Writes own name.

#### **Learner Profile for EAL A 1.2**

Fariha is a Grade Seven student whose writing is at the A 1.2 level.

Physical active.

Active also if the gym is outdoor in summer its so fun because we have a fresh air, health body active it make me power for a dalf body active it make me look like all part of body go avtice and partice for a dalf brother because fun make me race with my friend brother because fun make me to do fast work as you can.

Tournent don't get hurt hardwork, paying sport do you have home work its come again.

Tournent Tournent is thing we all do and it like a partice and partice two competies partice and challange

In the writing sample, you will see that Fariha:

- Is beginning to use subject area vocabulary when given assistance;
- Uses some simple sight words (and, is);
- Attempts to represent simple words phonetically, particularly beginning and ending consonants (tourmant, partice);
- Spells own name;

- Attempts capital letters and final punctuation with some errors;
- Uses subject followed by predicate order with some accuracy;
- Is beginning to connect ideas by topic.

#### **Learner Profile for EAL A 2.1**

Matt is a Grade Eight student whose writing is at the A 2.1 level.

Healthy student
The student need to eat healthy food like fruits, we are fables and vitaming. They need to excinise everyday to make stronger bund eat a different foods. If you eat Tunkfood not to much student need exercise like xago Tog sports. Chimming and more. Eart of heathy breat land like eggs tancate apple and more. We need sleep to don't freed bind stop playing video comes at higher because you can't remember because you for anot how to study read and to apunt numbers and uean't learned if you go to school your facer land thread and you don't now what your doing and you make a from the foods.
I'm gorna say eat healthy and exercice every norning and you feel good.

In the writing sample, you will see that Matt:

- Uses a variety of descriptive words when writing about a familiar topic (different, healthy, tired);
- Uses content area vocabulary if given support (study, read, count, numbers);
- Writes a growing number of sight words with increasing accuracy;
- Uses capitalization and final punctuation;
- Uses singular and plural word forms;
- Writes short sentences expressing beliefs, wants, and/or preferences;
- Uses straightforward sentences and expressions to describe daily activities;
- Writes an introduction and/or conclusion if given assistance;
- Writes on a single topic;
- Writes a simple paragraph if given assistance.

#### **Learner Profile for EAL A 2.2**

Omar is a Grade Seven student whose writing is at the A 2.2 level.

	Change your lifestyle.
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means change	your whole like but it means
to keep you	self healthy, fleathy means to aways
be active join	sports, jog, and walk but you know
wheet every m	ngieratat & bud you don't have to
to all atalim	e hets yet on some healthy food to
out imstead	of eating junk food because junk
food in not	good be ent you should need
to eat Bruit	s and regetable to keep your self
	and the state of t
healthy,	
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to act old	they can't walk how they used
to be but	some of them can becouse they were
active in f	TOPIC .
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OU STAIR	working hard on your physical
OCAMULES.	and life slyle.

In the writing sample, you will see that Omar:

- Has sufficient vocabulary to provide information on an aspect of daily life using simple language.
- Uses pronouns Spells common, high-frequency words with increasing accuracy
- Uses capitals and basic punctuation with increasing accuracy and is beginning to use more advanced punctuation such as commas and apostrophes
- Uses pronouns (they, them, your)
- Uses simple grammatical structures accurately
- Writes a summary sentence of a text's main points
- Writes a simple paragraph

#### **Learner Profile for EAL B 1.1**

Tatum is a Grade Seven student writing at the B 1.1 level.

Importance of a healthy lifestyle It is really important to have a healthy life. Maybe for your family friends, the world, etc. If you have a good like you can have fun and enjoy everything in the world You'll red like you can do anything and strong.

If you want a realthy life you have to do at least one hour of proper exercises like playing volleyball, basketball, hockey, etc or joining any physical activity like biking canoying, running with your family, friends and neighbours. You also have to eat healthy foods like, right amount of water vegetable, fruits protein, iron, casioun. ric They'll give you right amount of energy to choose your healthy lifestyle. But, you really need nealthy nature / environment to fresher up your mind if you have fresh mind you can eat, think or do what ever you want colonly. We need oxygen to breathe. So, if there is enough tree you can breathe and feel the coolness of nature. Anything wouldn't matter is you don't choose the healthy choices By saying healthy choices, I meant, drug/alcohol free life Choosing shelter in a good environment and making good friends. If you don't choose a friend who is careful about healthy choices, thinks good and helps you make good choices, it would be hard for you If you follow or have made choices like above. you'll have a healthy life, you'll feel healthy and make everyone around you happy and healthy.

In the writing sample, you will see that Tatum:

- Uses some academic vocabulary
- Has sufficient vocabulary to write simple descriptions on a number of varied topics of interest;
- Demonstrates knowledge of common spelling patterns;
- Spells common words accurately;
- Uses more advanced knowledge of advanced punctuation such as commas and apostrophes;
- prepositions with increased accuracy (our, my, they);
- Demonstrates some facility with word order;
- Adds details and explanations with support;
- Summarizes simple text on familiar subjects;
- Writes a series of paragraphs on one topic;
- Writes complex sentences.

#### Learner Profile for EAL B 1.2

Emil is a Grade Eight student writing at the B 1.2 level.

Let's see the Healthy life style and Physical activities.

I am writing a proposal about Physical activities and Healthy life style. In schools, or at home people should do exercises or other Physicall activities to make them-selves healthy and not sick. Also, everyone should eat healthy food, but with limits because if you eat over limit then you will be sick and over weight. It will be also really hard to exercise and loss weight. So, these two things are very difficult to do but, still people should do these things to protect them from sickness.

Physical activities makes people life much easier because then they get really active to so anything. In school, students have gym and recess to make them physical. They should also have physical activities in class, like make them do exercise after a while, when they are tired. If people aren't active physically then in their life, when they will do Job they need to be active to their family and them-self healthy. There are different things that everyone can do to make them-selves perfectly fit. An additionally, watch television less than 40 minutes so it will not effect our eyes and our health.

Healthy life style is really important thing that we have to do everyday. To make your-self healthy, you need to eat healthy food not over balanced following the food guide. If you were eating junck fod then you will get sick and weak. Also, if you smoke or drug, it also effect you body, health and you will get diseases. Parents should put healthy food on the table and the children can get them from the table because children will see the food on the table everyday so then they won't eat junck food and they woll get use to the food.

The benifits for physical and healthy lifestyle is that you can live much longer and will have great skin, pretty hair and the kids will get tall by eating healthy food. If you just eat and do nothing after that then u will.

be sick because your weight will grow and your will get effections. So, you have to exercises after eating to make your weight balanced and stay fit in your life. It's really great to make you and your family healthy and physically active, they both help you furthur in you life.

In the writing sample, you will see that Emil:

- Uses academic vocabulary on a frequent basis;
- Uses advanced punctuation appropriate to grade level;
- Uses multiple verb tenses with increasing accuracy;
- Writes about familiar topics using comparisons and contrasts;
- Presents, in simple sentences, a personal opinion about an issue or an event;
- Sequences text thoughtfully;
- Writes short descriptive text;
- Writes using a variety of sentence types;
- Writes a detailed paragraph and a multi-paragraph composition with some support.

# **General Overview Grade Eight Reading**

A1.1	Grades 8 students at A 1.1 can mimic phonemes and recognize the sound-symbol relationships of most letters. They are beginning to recognize and understand pre-taught vocabulary and may read line by line, but without regard for punctuation.
	Grades 8 students at A 1.2 recognize word families. They can
A1.2	distinguish between factual and fictional text. They are beginning to identify medial vowel sounds as well as segment and blend
	phonemes. They read in chunks or phrases and can engage in choral reading.
	Grades 8 students at A 2.1 understand common phonetic rules. They
	are beginning to use expression when re-reading familiar text and use
A2.1	simple punctuation like the colon and the quotation mark to guide
71202	that expression. They can return to text and self-correct in order to
	ensure meaning. They begin to use context clues to work out
	unknown words.
	Grades 8 students at A 2.2 can manipulate words by adding or
	removing phonemes. They regularly use context clues to decipher
A2.2	the meaning of unknown words. They are beginning to read familiar
	text with appropriate speed, expression, phrasing and intonation.
	They are starting to use key words, diagram, graphs and illustrations
	to support reading comprehension.
	Grades 8 students at B 1.1 are beginning to interpret literal and non-
	literal meanings of words and phrases and understand the use of
B1.1	figurative language. They can demonstrate understanding of text by
	creating notes, summaries and/or reports. Students at this level can
	use key words, diagrams, graphs and illustrations to support reading
	comprehension. They can decode most grade-appropriate words.
	Grades 8 students at B 1. 2 understand most vocabulary in grade level
	text. Students at this level are able to adjust their reading rate
B1.2	according to the purpose and difficulty of the text. They select and
	apply a variety of comprehension strategies according to the nature
	of the text. They are able to identify faulty reasoning, persuasion and
	propaganda in text.



Grade 8 CFR Reading Rubric	Student Name:	Primary Language:	Current CFR:
Teacher:	School:	School Year:	Year End CFR:

A1.1 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness	A1.2 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness	A2.1 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness	A2.2 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness	B1.1 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness	B1.2 Phonological and Phonemic Awareness
Identifies beginning sounds of words	Identifies, produces and recognizes end sounds of words	Identifies and recognizes medial vowel sounds in words	Identifies and recognizes final blends (e.g. <i>nd</i> , <i>mp</i> )	Recognizes diphthongs (e.g. ow, oo, oi)	Demonstrates competence in grade appropriate skills related to
Identifies and produces all sounds of the alphabet	Begins to identify and recognize medial vowel sounds in words	Identifies and recognizes most beginning blends	Recognizes common vowel digraphs (e.g. <i>ee, oa</i> )	Recognizes trigraphs (e.g. sch-, squ)	phonological and phonemic awareness
Mimics phonemes Recites the alphabet	Identifies and recognizes beginning digraphs (e.g. th, sh, ch)	Begins to identify and recognize final blends (e.gnd, -mp)	Begins to identify and recognize diphthongs (e.g. ow, oo, oi)	Begins to recognize irregular spellings (e.g. <i>ph-, -ough</i> )	
Recognizes sound-symbol relationship of most letters	identifies and recognizes common Beginning blends (e.g. bl, tr, st, sk)	Begins to recognize common vowel digraphs (e.g. <i>ee, oa</i> )	Begins to recognize trigraphs (e.g. sch-, str) Generates some rhyming words		
Recognizes most beginning sounds of words	Begins to segment and blend phonemes (e.g. <i>d-o-g = dog</i> ) and graphemes	Identifies and recognizes rhyming words	Manipulates words by adding or removing phonemes		
	Segments polysyllabic words	Identifies and recognizes inflected endings (e.gs, -ing)			
	Recognizes word families (e.g. <i>cat</i> , <i>hat</i> )	Segments and blends most common graphemes	Recognizes rhyming words with differing spelling (e.g. <i>sneeze, Belize</i> )		
		Knows common phonetic rules (e.g. silent e			

A1.1 Vocabulary	A1.2 Vocabulary	A2.1 Vocabulary	A2.2 Vocabulary	B1.1 Vocabulary	B1.2 Vocabulary
Relies on illustrations to make meaning and identify unknown words	May substitute a word with a different tense (e.g. I seed vs. I saw)	Begins to use context clues to solve unknown words	Regularly uses context clues to solve unknown words	Begins to use print or electronic references (e.g. dictionary,	Uses print or electronic references (e.g. dictionary, thesaurus, online
May substitute alternate word based on	May interchange masculine/feminine words (e.g. he/she)	Understands the meaning of most inflected endings (e.ged is used for past tense)	Begins to examine word structure to determine meaning using simple affixes (e.gun, -ly)	Examines word structure to	resources) Understands use of figurative language (e.g. idioms, similes,
an illustration (e.g. <i>forest</i> vs. <i>trees</i> )	Understands the meaning of some inflected endings (e.gs, is used for plural)	Begins to recognize homonyms and homophones	Dissects compound words to predict meaning	determine meaning using simple affixes (e.gun, -ly)	metaphors)  Understands most vocabulary in
May only identify objects in	Uses a graphic organizer to illustrate meaning of word from text	Uses an illustrated dictionary to look up meaning of words	Uses a graphic organizer to define word from text	Begins to create semantic maps to convey word relationships	grade level text  Uses knowledge of roots to
illustration Understands environmental labels	Begins to recognize cognates  Begins to classify and categorize	Begins to dissect compound words to predict meaning	Recognizes homonyms and homophones	Begins to identify analogies (e.g. dog/mammal; parrot/bird)	determine meanings of words  Examines word structure to
(e.g. calendar, word wall)	words into sets or groups  Recognizes and understands pre-	Uses a graphic organizer to define word from text, with support	Uses a graphic organizer to provide synonym/ antonym for word from text	Begins to use strategies (e.g. examples, comparisons) to clarify	determine meaning using commonly occurring affixes (e.g. pre-, re-, -tion)
Begins to recognize and understand pre-taught vocabulary	taught vocabulary	Begins to apply knowledge of cognates	Regularly applies knowledge of	meanings of new concepts in content area texts	Creates semantic maps to convey word relationships
		Classifies and categorize words into sets or groups	Begins to understand "shades" of meaning in related words (e.g. shouted, hollered)	Begins to interpret literal and non- literal meanings of words and phrases  Begins to understand use of figurative language (e.g. idioms,	Uses strategies (e.g. examples, comparisons) to clarify meanings of new concepts in content area texts
				similes, metaphors) Understands "shades" of meaning in related words (e.g. shouted, hollered)	Interprets literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases

A1.1 Visual Processing	A1.2 Visual Processing	A2.1 Visual Processing	A2.2 Visual Processing	B1.1 Visual Processing	B1.2 Visual Processing
Understands left-right directionality	Reads patterned and predictable text	Regularly uses text features (e.g.	Begins to use advanced text features	Uses advanced text features (e.g.	Regularly uses sources of reference found
May track word by word	Begins to use text features (e.g. title,	title, illustrations)	(e.g. glossary, table of contents, headings)	glossary, table of contents, headings)	in text to enhance comprehension
Uses patterns to read predictable text	illustrations, author)		Begins to use key words, diagrams,	Uses key words, diagrams, graphs	·
	Distinguishes between fictional and factual text		graphs and illustrations to support reading comprehension	and illustrations to support reading comprehension	

A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Fluency	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency
Reads in 2-3 word phrases	Reads in chunks or phrases	Begins to use advanced punctuation to	Begins to read familiar text with	Reads with increasingly appropriate speed,	Adjusts reading rate according to the
May read line by line without regard	Uses simple punctuation to guide	guide expression and phrasing (e.g. ?, !)	appropriate speed, expression,	expression, phrasing, and intonation	purpose and difficulty of the text
for punctuation	expression (e.g. ?.!)	Uses expression when re-reading	phrasing and intonation	Demonstrates automaticity (i.e	
Engages in choral reading, with errors	Decodes simple CVC and CCVC words	familiar text	Uses advanced punctuation to guide	automatic recognition of words)	
Recognizes 75 or more sight words	Engages in choral reading	Decodes words with common	expression and phrasing (e.g. ? "")	Decodes most grade appropriate words	
	Recognizes 150 or more sight words	phonetic rules (e.g. silent e)	Begins to demonstrate automaticity		
		Recognizes 300 or more sight words	(i.e. automatic recognition of words)		
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	<b>B1.1</b>	<b>B1.2</b>
Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension
pre-reading	pre-reading	pre-reading	pre-reading	pre-reading	pre-reading
Engages in a picture walk, with support	Activates prior knowledge	Generates and answers deep	Uses personal experiences, content	Uses personal experiences, content	Selects and applies a variety of
Activates prior knowledge, with	Generates and answers simple	thinking questions	knowledge and knowledge of similar	knowledge and knowledge of similar	comprehension strategies, according
guidance (e.g. completes KWL)	questions (e.g. 5 W's)	Demonstrates an awareness of genre	text to make predictions, with support	text to make predictions	to the nature of the text
Asks questions, with assistance	Uses text features (e.g. title,	(e.g. folk tales, comics)	Sets purpose for reading	Examines key vocabulary prior to	to the nature of the text
ASKS Questions, with assistance	illustrations) to predict content	Understands purpose for reading	Scans text to find information	reading to support comprehension	
-	Evaluates a text to determine	Selects and evaluates text for		reading to support comprehension	
			Skims text to develop a general idea		
L	readability, with support	purposefulness, with support (e.g.	of content		
	<u> </u>	choosing a research book)  Evaluates a text to determine	Reads and evaluates synopsis Selects and evaluates text for		
		readability  Reads and evaluates synopsis, with support	purposefulness		
A4.4	A4 3		4.2.2	D4 4	D4 3
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension
during reading	during reading	during reading	during reading	during reading	during reading
Uses illustrations to recognize next			Makes text-world connections, with	Make text-world connections	Recognizes author's techniques (e.g.
opic	Makes text-self connections	Makes text-text connections	support	Differentiates fact from opinion,	foreshadowing)
Makes text to self-connections, with	Makes and reflects on some	Makes and reflects on predictions	Identifies author's intent	using extracts from the text	Recognizes author's devices (e.g.
guidance	predictions based on illustrations	based on illustrations and storyline	Makes and reflects on predictions	Regularly makes connections while reading	personification, symbolism)
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	ensure meaning, when prompted	problems raised in a story	knowledge and personal experience	Identifies point of view in narrative	
<u>-</u>	5, 1	Begins to construct mental images	Constructs mental images	Realizes when more information is	
		Backtracks to self-correct to ensure	Begins to understand complex	required to understand text	
		meaning	sentence structure	Understands complex sentence structure	
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension	Comprehension
post- reading	post- reading	post- reading	post- reading	post- reading	post- reading
Reflects on new learning, with	Reflects on new learning (e.g. adding	Infers characters feelings	Discusses characters' feelings and	Empathizes with character's feelings	Evaluates author's techniques to
guidance (e.g. adding to KWL)	to KWL)	Hypothesizes how characters could	provides evidence from text	and motivations	influence readers' perspectives (e.g.
dentifies main character and setting in a story	Infers character's feelings, with support	have behaved differently, with support	Hypothesizes how characters could	Understands writing techniques	creating an appealing character)
Demonstrates basic knowledge of text	Revisits text to find important information	Identifies problem and solution	have behaved differently	appropriate to genre (e.g. humour)	Evaluates author's style of writing
by retelling one or two main points	Identifies problem and solution, with	Begins to identify the moral of the story	Understands writing techniques	Justifies preference for a book	Reflects and revises opinion based
	support	Identifies simple cause-effect, with	appropriate to genre (e.g. humor),	Explains writer's use of specific words to	on new understandings
	Demonstrates basic knowledge of	support	with support	convey meaning (e.g. shouted, cried)	Uses critical analysis to determine bias
	text by retelling main points and one	Justifies preference for a book, with	Explains writer's use of specific	Begins to evaluate author's techniques	Determines the adequacy of
	Lor two supporting dotails	support	words to convey meaning (e.g.	to influence readers' perspectives (e.g.	evidence for an author's conclusions
	or two supporting details		I chautad cried) with cupport	creating an appealing character)	
	or two supporting details	Begins to identify structural features of	shouted, cried), with support	creating arrappealing charactery	Analyzes seguential organization of
	or two supporting details	popular multimedia (e.g. newspaper,		,,,	Analyzes sequential organization of text (e.g. chronological, order of
	or two supporting details	popular multimedia (e.g. newspaper, magazines)	Identifies simple cause-effect relationships	Uses critical analysis to determine	text (e.g. chronological, order of
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## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) READING EXPECTATIONS - GRADE 8

A grade 8 student performing at <u>level 4 of the 6 level ELA curriculum rubric</u> reads and responds to a range of contemporary and traditional grade-level texts in a variety of forms and for a variety of purposes including for learning, interest and enjoyment. A student at this level comprehends most of what is read and demonstrates an adequate understanding of ideas, information, concepts and/or themes. They demonstrate an awareness of a range of task-relevant strategies before, during and after reading and sense when there is a comprehension breakdown making an effort to correct.

Phonics & Phonemic	✓ Recognizes and comprehend sound-symbol relationships.
Awareness	✓ Recognizes and comprehends the stress, pitch and juncture of a word,
	✓ Recognizes and explains onomatopoeia and alliterative words.
Vocabulary	✓ Recognizes and comprehends affixes and root words.
Acquisition	✓ Recognizes and comprehends words that are appropriate to the audience,
·	purpose and context and capture a particular aspect of intended meaning.
	✓ Recognizes synonyms used for variety.
	✓ Uses context, prefixes, suffixes, root words, sounds and reference tools
	including dictionaries, thesauri and handbooks to determine meanings of
	words.
	✓ Recognizes words used figuratively and for imagery.
Visual Processing	✓ Recognizes and comprehends word patterns.
	✓ Recognizes and explains how structures and features of texts can work to
	shape understanding including form/genre, artistic devices (e.g.,
	personification, figurative language including similes and metaphors,
	exaggeration, symbolism), elements (e.g., point of view, conflict, theme,
	supporting elements) and text features (e.g., credits, headings, diagrams,
	columns, pull-quotes and sidebars)
	✓ Understands a range of standard forms for texts including paragraphs and
	multi-paragraph compositions.
	✓ Recognizes common organizational patterns within texts (e.g., chronological,
	enumerative, problem/solution, cause/effect and comparison/contrast).
	✓ Understands how author organized text to achieve unity and coherence.
	✓ Uses structural cues within text such as transitional words to construct meaning.
	✓ Recognizes the author's use of language and language register (i.e., formal,
	informal, colloquial, jargon, slang and cliché).
	✓ Recognizes and comprehends:
	<ul> <li>complete, interesting and clear sentence structures that contain a verb</li> </ul>
	and its subject.
	compound and complex sentences used for variety, interest and effect.      official use of publishing.
	effective use of qualifiers.
	appropriate subordination and modification.
	<ul> <li>effective punctuation including periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes and hyphens.</li> </ul>
	effective capitalization.
	✓ Recognizes rhetorical techniques and craft of text (e.g., hyperbole,
	parallelism, colour, repetition).
	✓ Identifies how texts were constructed, shaped and produced.

Fluency	<ul> <li>✓ Reads grade 8 appropriate texts orally and silently for enjoyment and to increase fluency and expression. Reads text at 140-180 wcpm orally and 180-230 wcpm silently.</li> <li>✓ Reads independently and demonstrates comprehension of a variety of</li> </ul>
	information texts.
	✓ Adjusts reading rates according to the text complexity and purpose.
Comprehension: pre-reading	<ul> <li>✓ Selects, independently, texts that address learning needs and interests.</li> <li>✓ Reads a variety of visual, print and multi-media (including digital) texts that address grade-level themes and issues related to identity, social responsibility and efficacy.</li> <li>✓ Selects and uses appropriate pre-reading strategies including:         <ul> <li>Activates and builds prior knowledge (e.g., reviews what is known and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>what has been learned about subject of text; Identifies what needs to be learned from text to fill in gaps).</li> <li>Generates questions to guide reading (e.g., surveys text and asks questions about it; forms implicit questions and searches for answers in text).</li> <li>Previews text (e.g., looks briefly at each section or page of a text, paying</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>attention to the headings, illustrations, boldface type and organizational structure.</li> <li>Reads the first and last paragraph of text.</li> <li>Anticipates message and author's intent (e.g., considers the author's possible intention given a brief biographical sketch of his/her background and causes.</li> <li>Makes predictions of what text will be about (e.g., review an outline of the main ideas in a text and predict what information or stance will be used to support these main ideas).</li> <li>Sets purpose for reading (e.g., discusses and sets a purpose with peers).</li> </ul>
Comprehension: during-reading	<ul> <li>✓ Demonstrates the behaviours of an effective and active reader (e.g., reading with purpose in mind, making jot notes to assist recall, analyzing and evaluating ideas and craft as one reads and recognizing underlying biases, stereotypes and prejudices in text.</li> <li>✓ Adjust strategies (e.g., skim, scan, or read carefully) depending on the text complexity and purpose.</li> <li>✓ Selects and uses appropriate during-reading strategies including:         <ul> <li>Makes connections to self, other texts and to the world to help with making predictions, visualizing and drawing conclusions.</li> <li>Notes key ideas and what supports them (e.g., stops at the end of each page, section, or chapter to answer the who, what, where, when, why and how questions: notes how examples, illustrations and visual aids support or detract from the key message.</li> <li>Constructs mental images (e.g., imagines what a character might be seeing or feeling at a particular point in time).</li> <li>Makes, confirms and adjusts predictions (e.g., identifies and explains the clues in the text that confirm defensible predictions).</li> <li>Makes, confirms and adjusts inferences and draws conclusions (e.g., (e.g., analyze, infer and explain unstated ideas in texts).</li> <li>Uses cueing systems to construct meaning and self-monitors comprehension (e.g., insert notations such as? for "I don't understand that", * for "I think that is an important point, or + for "that's a new idea".</li></ul></li></ul>

# Comprehension: post-reading

- Reads and demonstrates comprehension and interpretation of a wide range of grade-appropriate literary and informational text.
- Selects and uses appropriate post reading strategies, including recalling; paraphrasing; summarizing; synthesizing (e.g., connecting comparing and contrasting ideas in texts; determining literal and figurative messages; making notes to assist recall).
- ✓ Reflects and interprets (e.g., keeps an open mind and considers ideas different from own).
- Responds personally providing supporting evidence from text (e.g., connects, compares and contrasts ideas in text to own knowledge and experience).
- Re-reads to deepen understanding and pleasure as well as to evaluate the effectiveness and overall impact of the text to deliver the message intended.
- ✓ Clearly, completely and accurately summarizes and explains the ideas and both implicit and explicit messages (including setting, conflicts, characters, events, themes) in texts.
- ✓ Cites details that support the main ideas.
- ✓ Makes logical inferences.
- Recognizes and explains function and purposes of text including informing, persuading, narrating, describing.
- Explains the motivations of characters in literary text, offering and supports from text.
- Identifies and describes techniques used to create mood in written and digital text.
- ✓ Explains preferences for various texts, genres, or specific authors.
- Describes the purpose of specific texts and explains how their key features aid understanding.
- Reflects on and assesses reading experiences and the reading strategies selected.
- ✓ Sets and pursues personal goals for reading.



Grade 8 CFR Speaking Rubric	Student Name:	Primary Language:	Current CFR:
Teacher:	School:	School Year:	Year End CFR:

A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary
Repeats words, phrases, and memorized chunks of language related to different topics	Begins to generate phrases and word combinations related to different topics	Uses a wider range of common nouns, verbs, and complex adjectives to describe familiar topics	Begins to use increasingly advanced adjectives	Uses increasingly advanced adjectives and adverbs, with prompting	Uses adjectives and adverbs frequently to enhance meaning
Begins to name common objects and personal needs in the school environment	Uses familiar verbs and describes familiar nouns using simple adjectives,	Uses limited content area vocabulary, with assistance	Begins to use simple adverbs	Uses academic words frequently	Continues to use and develop a variety of grade appropriate content and
using familiar nouns and verbs	with greater accuracy	Begins to use academic words (e.g.	Uses content area vocabulary, independently		academic vocabulary, including words
Uses limited descriptive words, with assistance (e.g. colours, big, small)	Uses high frequency utility words, with increased accuracy	identify, describe), with support (e.g. sentence frame)	Uses academic words, with increased accuracy		with multiple meanings and word forms (affixes)
Begins to use high incidence utility words, with assistance	Begins to use limited content area vocabulary, with assistance				
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Meaningful Communication	Meaningful Communication	Meaningful Communication	Meaningful Communication	Meaningful Communication	Meaningful Communication
Expresses wants and needs through single words, accompanied by gestures	Expresses wants and needs with short phrases, accompanied by gestures	Expresses wants and needs with short phrases	Expresses and justifies wants and needs with some details	Expresses and justifies wants, needs or opinions with increased details	Clearly expresses and justifies preferences or opinions
Expresses a lack of understanding	Expresses lack of understanding through	Begins to explain to a teacher where s/he	Explains to the teacher where s/he is	Responds to academic questions,	<u>'</u>
through single words, accompanied by gestures	learned phrases. Begins to ask for clarification of unknown words or expressions	is having difficulty or asks for clarification of unknown words and expressions	having difficulty or asks to have words repeated or said in a different way	with assistance (e.g. sentence frames, sentence starters)	Responds to academic questions independently
May be silent, use L1, use single words or repeat single words others say	Responds to familiar questions using learned or memorized phrases	Responds to familiar questions using patterned frames, with assistance	Begins to respond to academic questions, with support (e.g. sentence frames or starters)	Asks specific questions to help solve difficulties	Engages in social conversation with ease
,	Begins to engage in social conversations or small-group discussions using single	Engages in familiar social conversations or small group discussions using short	Engages in familiar social conversations with errors that may	Engages in social conversations, with occasional errors	Provides evidence and justifies position during academic discussions
	words or short phrases.	phrases and sentences	impede comprehension	Elaborates on ideas in academic discussions	Ideas and meaning are expressed concisely
	Begins to engage in academic discussions with short phrases or sentences (e.g. sentence frames), with support	Engages in academic discussions, with support (e.g. sentence frames)	Engages in academic discussions with increasing details and elaboration, with prompting	Ideas and meaning are becoming more concise	Gives an academic presentation that is grade appropriate
	May use L1 word compensate for a lack of vocabulary	May use known vocabulary to "talk around" the unknown word (circumlocution)	Relies on circumlocution to express meaning (e.g. hand clock = watch)	Gives short formal presentation on topic of choice	Engages in communicative tasks by paraphrasing, commenting and questioning
	Uses simple transition words (e.g. and, but, or)	Uses transition words (e.g. because, then, next)	Uses more complex transition words (e.g. for, so, when, ifthen)	Describes a complex sequence independently Uses advanced transition words (e.g.	Uses almost all verb tenses appropriately
	Reads a short informal script (e.g. readers theatre, weather report)	Reads a short presentation on a familiar topic	Gives a short presentation on a familiar topic, using notes	since, during, usually)  Begins to engage in communicative	along with subject-verb agreement. Grammatical use and syntax near native like
	Expresses preferences (e.g. I like) and personal strengths (e.g. I can)	Begins to describe a sequence (e.g. story, simple directions). Begins to give reasons	Describes a more complex sequence (explain a process), with support. Gives	tasks by paraphrasing, commenting and questioning, with support	
	Uses simple grammatical rules with frequent errors. Can use subject-predicate order accurately, with assistance.	for preferences or opinions, with support Uses simple grammar and syntax accurately (e.g. simple subject-predicate order, regular plurals) More complex forms, with assistance	brief reasons for preferences or opinions Uses complex forms of grammar and syntax with errors (e.g. irregular plurals, irregular verb tense, articles)	Uses complex forms of grammar and syntax with few errors. (e.g. misuses a few verb tenses or subject-verb agreement)	
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge
Uses one or two learned expressions of greeting, farewell and politeness	Uses some common expression and cultural greetings	Uses common expressions and cultural greetings	May use limited figurative and idiomatic phrases	May use some figurative and idiomatic phrases (may be errors in usage)	Uses age appropriate figurative and idiomatic phrases
	Begins to engage in cooperative speech to demonstrate understanding of a conversation (e.g. <i>uh-huh, really</i> )	Engages in cooperative speech to demonstrate understanding of a conversation	Engages in conversation (e.g. question/comment modeling), with support	Begins to sustain conversations by commenting and asking questions	Initiates and sustains formal and informal conversations by commenting, paraphrasing and asking questions
_				Adapts speech to demonstrate an awareness of audience in diverse academic contexts	Adapts speech to demonstrate an awareness of audience in increasingly diverse academic contexts



Grade 8 CFR Listening Rubric	Student Name:	Primary Language:	Current CFR:
Teacher:	School:	School Year:	Year End CFR:

A1.1 Vocabulary	A1.2 Vocabulary	A2.1 Vocabulary	A2.2 Vocabulary	B1.1 Vocabulary	B1.2 Vocabulary
Understands some high frequency familiar nouns and common descriptive words in a structured interaction, with assistance	Understands high frequency nouns, common verbs and descriptive words in familiar contexts	Understands a wider range of basic nouns, verbs, and complex adjectives in familiar contexts	Begins to understand basic verbs and nouns in unfamiliar contexts, with support	Understands a wider range of basic verbs and nouns in unfamiliar contexts, with support	Understands a wider range of basic verbs and nouns in unfamiliar context as well as most content-area vocabula
May recognize cognates from L1 (e.g. blousa/blouse)	Understands single words in social conversations on familiar topics	Responds to simple, predictable questions and short phrases in the classroom	Understands increasingly advanced descriptive words	Understands descriptive words in a variety of contexts including academic tasks	Continues to develop understanding or
Responds to common classroom directives, with prompting	Responds to common classroom directives and begins to respond to social interactions	Understands some vocabulary in social conversations, on familiar topics	Understands most vocabulary in social conversations, on familiar topics	Understands most vocabulary in social interactions	grade appropriate content and acaden vocabulary
May respond to social interactions through gestures and single words	Understands limited content area vocabulary, with assistance	Understands key content-area vocabulary and academic words (e.g. estimate, solve), with support	Understands key content area vocabulary and a wider range of academic words, with support	Understands most content-area vocabulary, with support Understands most vocabulary in complex academic interactions	
<b>A1.1</b> Listening for Meaning	<b>A1.2</b> Listening for Meaning	<b>A2.1</b> Listening for Meaning	<b>A2.2</b> Listening for Meaning	<b>B1.1</b> Listening for Meaning	<b>B1.2</b> Listening for Meaning
Understands simple classroom instructions, spoken slowly, with gestures and pictures	Understands simple familiar information spoken slowly and clearly	Responds briefly to social conversations and engages in social interactions with unfamiliar people, with assistance	Responds to social conversations and engages in social interaction with unfamiliar people	Responds to and extends social conversations with familiar and unfamiliar people	Follows and engages in longer social conversations with multiple speakers
Understands short pieces of information such as time, location with	Begins to respond briefly to social conversations (e.g. yes/no)	Follows simple two-step instructions, with support	Begins to follow multi-step instructions, with support	Follows multi-step instructions, with support	Follows multi-step instructions
visuals and gestures	Follows simple one-step instructions, spoken slowly, with support	Begins to understand main idea in familiar academic discussions	Understands main idea and some details in familiar academic discussions	Understands main idea and key details	Understands main idea and key details i academic discussions
Begins to understand simple information (e.g. their name, age, grade) and personal greetings	Begins to understand main idea of familiar academic discussion, with support and assistance	Understands main idea in presentations or simple stories on a familiar topic, with assistance (e.g. visuals, graphic organizer)	Understands main idea and some details in presentations on a familiar topic, with assistance (e.g. presenter notes)	in academic discussions  Begins to understand main ideas and	Understands main ideas and key deta in presentations and unfamiliar texts
Understands single words, short phrases, with assistance but requires significant	Begins to understand main idea of short picture books, with support	Understands most speech at a slower rate in	Understands main idea of a short text on familiar topic or the main idea and some	details in unfamiliar presentations and short texts, with assistance	Understands a short, grade-appropri academic video
wait time to process information and form a response	Begins to record single words in familiar academic listening activity, with support	familiar contexts. Requires minimal wait time to process and form a response	details on a video, with support (e.g. viewing guide)	Understands main idea and some details in a video, with support	Understands average-paced speech i unfamiliar contexts
	Understands simple language, spoken slowly with pauses but requires wait time to process	Understands more complex sentences and verb tenses on familiar topics	Begins to take cloze notes (fill in blanks) from a presentation or video, with support	Begins to take notes from a presentation or video, with support	May need wait time to process and forr response to complex information
	Understands language using simple		Understands most average-paced speech in familiar contexts, with frequent checks for understanding	Begins to understand most average paced speech in unfamiliar contexts	Understands detailed sentences on familiar and unfamiliar topics
	grammatical rules (SVO) or compound sentences, with support		May need wait time to process and form a response Understands more detailed complex	May need wait time to process and form response to increasingly complex information	Understands complex sentences in a variety of contexts
			sentences with common verb tenses on familiar topics, with support	Understands detailed sentences on familiar topics.	
		_		Begins to understand complex sentences in unfamiliar contexts	
A1.1	A1.2	A2.1	A2.2	B1.1	B1.2
Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge	Pragmatic Knowledge

<b>A1.1</b> Pragmatic Knowledge	<b>A1.2</b> Pragmatic Knowledge	<b>A2.1</b> Pragmatic Knowledge	<b>A2.2</b> Pragmatic Knowledge	<b>B1.1</b> Pragmatic Knowledge	<b>B1.2</b> Pragmatic Knowledge
Understands basic greetings and politeness	Begins to understand commonly used expressions in familiar contexts	Understands commonly used expressions	Begins to understand figurative language and idiomatic phrases, with assistance	Understands some figurative language and idiomatic phrases, with assistance	Continues to develop understanding of age-appropriate figurative language and idiomatic expressions
May demonstrate limited understanding through facial expressions and gestures	May copy/repeat other students' responses as their own	Begins to use other students' responses as models for their own response, with assistance	Uses other students' responses as models for their own response, with assistance	Uses other students' responses as models for their own response	Recognizes differences in speech formality in a variety of contexts
			Begins to recognize differences in speech formality, with assistance	Recognize differences in speech formality, with assistance	

# **Appendix**

Fry 1000 Instant Sight Words

**Analogies** 

Frayer Model for Vocabulary Development

**Semantic Word Maps** 

Sample Sentence Frames

**Academic Language Terms** 

## 1st 100 Words

the	at	there	some	my
of	be	use	her	than
and	this	an	would	first
			make	
a	have	each		water
to	from	which	like	been
in	or	she	him	called
is	one	do	into	who
you	had	how	time	oil
that	by	their	has	sit
it	words	if	look	now
he	but	will	two	find
was	not	up	more	long
for	what	other	write	down
on	all	about	go	day
are	were	out	see	did
as	we	many	number	get
with	when	then	no	come
his	your	them	way	made
they	can	these	could	may
l	said	S0	people	part

## 2<sup>nd</sup> 100 Words

over new sound takename good sentence man takeboy follow sentence man want think say work place help live me because want think say work place help through me through set line work years live me back give right wory thouse line say help three set place help three set put does another well try end try try try try still large well things any our just tellsuch too another must too another three put does another try try try try try try still hand picture againchange thru change off turn men house answar found study try still learn things our justour justsame tellbig evenpicture againCanada world	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
sound takesentencecameturnplayonlythinkshowwhyairlittlesayalsoaskawayworkgreataroundwentanimalknowwhereformmenhouseplacehelpthreereadpointyearsthroughsmallneedpagelivemuchsetlandlettermebeforeputdifferentmotherbacklineendhomeanswergiverightdoesusfoundmosttooanothermovestudyverymeanswelltrystillafteroldlargekindlearnthingsanymusthandshouldoursamebigpictureCanada	over	name	boy	such	change
take man want here spell only think show why air little say also ask away work great around went animal know where form men house place help three read point years through small need page live much set land letter me before put different mother back line end home answer give right does us found most too another move study very means well try still after old large kind learn things any must hand should our same big picture cash	new	good	follow	because	off
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live much before put different mother back line end home answer give right does us found most too another means well try still after old large kind learn things any must big picture Canada	place	help	three	read	point
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verymeanswelltrystillafteroldlargekindlearnthingsanymusthandshouldoursamebigpictureCanada	give	right	does	us	found
after old large kind learn things any must hand should our same big picture Canada	most	too	another	move	study
things any must hand should our same big picture Canada	very	means	well	try	still
our same big picture Canada	after	old	large	kind	learn
	things	any	must	hand	should
just tell even again world	our	same	big	picture	Canada
	just	tell	even	again	world

## 3<sup>rd</sup> 100 Words

high	light	life	sea	watch
every	thought	always	began	far
near	head	those	grow	Indian
add	under	both	took	real
food	story	paper	river	almost
between	saw	together	four	let
own	left	got	carry	above
below	don't	group	state	girl
country	few	often	once	sometimes
plant	while	run	book	mountains
last	along	important	hear	cut
school	might	until	stop	young
father	close	children	without	talk
keep	something	side	second	soon
tree	seem	feet	late	list
never	next	car	miss	song
start	hard	mile	idea	being
city	open	night	enough	leave
earth	example	walk	eat	family
eyes	begin	white	face	it's

body	usually	hours	five	cold
music	didn't	black	step	cried
color	friends	products	morning	plan
stand	easy	happened	passed	notice
sun	heard	whole	vowel	south
questions	order	measure	true	sing
fish	red	remember	hundred	war
area	door	early	against	ground
mark	sure	waves	pattern	fall
dog	become	reached	numeral	king
horse	top	listen	table	town
birds	ship	wind	north	1'11
problem	across	rock	slowly	unit
complete	today	space	money	figure
room	during	covered	map	certain
knew	short	fast	farm	field
since	better	several	pulled	travel
ever	best	hold	draw	wood
piece	however	himself	voice	fire
told	low	toward	seen	upon

## 5<sup>th</sup> 100 Words

	<del>-</del>			
done	front	stay	warm	object
English	feel	green	common	am
road	fact	known	bring	rule
half	inches	island	explain	among
ten	street	week	dry	noun
fly	decided	less	though	power
gave	contain	machine	language	cannot
box	course	base	shape	able
finally	surface	ago	deep	six
wait	produce	stood	thousands	size
correct	building	plane	yes	dark
oh	ocean	system	clear	ball
quickly	class	behind	equation	material
person	note	ran	yet	special
became	nothing	round	government	heavy
shown	rest	boat	filled	fine
minutes	carefully	game	heat	pair
strong	scientists	force	full	circle
verb	inside	brought	hot	include
stars	wheels	understand	check	built

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can't	region	window	arms	west
matter	return	difference	brother	lay
square	believe	distance	race	weather
syllables	dance	heart	present	root
perhaps	members	site	beautiful	instruments
bill	picked	sum	store	meet
felt	simple	summer	job	third
suddenly	cells	wall	edge	months
test	paint	forest	past	paragraph
direction	mind	probably	sign	raised
center	love	legs	record	represent
farmers	cause	sat	finished	soft
ready	rain	main	discovered	whether
anything	exercise	winter	wild	clothes
divided	eggs	wide	happy	flowers
general	train	written	beside	shall
energy	blue	length	gone	teacher
subject	wish	reason	sky	held
Europe	drop	kept	grass	describe
moon	developed	interest	million	drive

#### 7th 100 words

1 TOO WOIGS	•			
cross	buy	temperature	possible	fraction
speak	century	bright	gold	Africa
solve	outside	lead	milk	killed
appear	everything	everyone	quiet	melody
metal	tall	method	natural	bottom
son	already	section	lot	trip
either	instead	lake	stone	hole
ice	phrase	iron	act	poor
sleep	soil	within	build	let's
village	bed	dictionary	middle	fight
factors	сору	hair	speed	surprise
result	free	age	count	French
jumped	hope	amount	consonant	died
snow	spring	scale	someone	beat
ride	case	pounds	sail	exactly
care	laughed	although	rolled	remain
floor	nation	per	bear	dress
hill	quite	broken	wonder	cat
pushed	type	moment	smiled	couldn't
baby	themselves	tiny	angle	fingers

<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
row	grew	east	suppose	direct
least	skin	choose	woman	ring
catch	valley	single	coast	serve
climbed	cents	touch	bank	child
wrote	key	information	period	desert
shouted	president	express	wire	increase
continued	brown	mouth	pay	history
itself	trouble	yard	clean	cost
else	cool	equal	visit	maybe
plains	cloud	decimal	bit	business
gas	lost	yourself	whose	separate
England	sent	control	received	break
burning	symbols	practice	garden	uncle
design	wear	report	please	hunting
joined	bad	straight	strange	flow
foot	save	rise	caught	lady
law	experiment	statement	fell	students
ears	engine	stick	team	human
glass	alone	party	God	art
you're	drawing	seeds	captain	feeling

## 9th 100 Words

	<u> </u>			
supply	fit	sense	position	meat
corner	addition	string	entered	lifted
electric	belong	blow	fruit	process
insects	safe	famous	tied	army
crops	soldiers	value	rich	hat
tone	guess	wings	dollars	property
hit	silent	movement	send	particular
sand	trade	pole	sight	swim
doctor	rather	exciting	chief	terms
provide	compare	branches	Japanese	current
thus	crowd	thick	stream	park
won't	poem	blood	planets	sell
cook	enjoy	lie	rhythm	shoulder
bones	elements	spot	eight	industry
mall	indicate	bell	science	wash
board	except	fun	major	block
modern	expect	loud	observe	spread
compound	flat	consider	tube	cattle
mine	seven	suggested	necessary	wife
wasn't	interesting	thin	weight	sharp

company	France	shoes	workers	rope
radio	repeated	actually	Washington	cotton
we'll	column	nose	Greek	apple
action	western	afraid	women	details
capital	church	dead	bought	entire
factories	sister	sugar	led	corn
settled	oxygen	adjective	march	substances
yellow	plural	fig	northern	smell
isn't	various	office	create	tools
southern	agreed	huge	British	conditions
truck	opposite	gun	difficult	cows
fair	wrong	similar	match	track
printed	chart	death	win	arrived
wouldn't	prepared	score	doesn't	located
ahead	pretty	forward	steel	sir
chance	solution	stretched	total	seat
born	fresh	experience	deal	division
level	shop	rose	determine	effect
triangle	suffix	allow	evening	underline
molecules	especially	fear	hoe	view

## **Creating Analogies**

Analogies help us see how seemingly dissimilar things are similar, increasing our understanding of new information. **Example**: core is to earth as nucleus is to atom.

...is to...

**as** Both measure things

odometer ...is to...

<u>temperature</u>

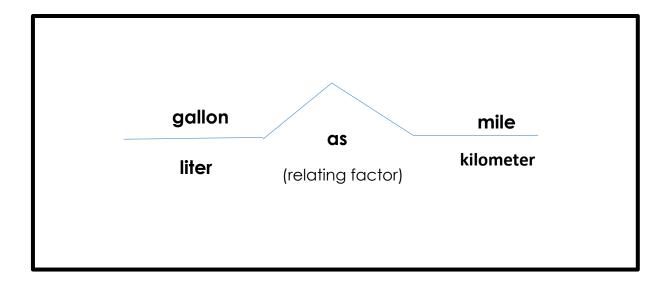
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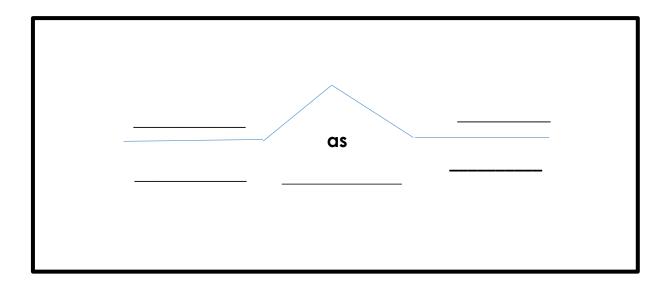
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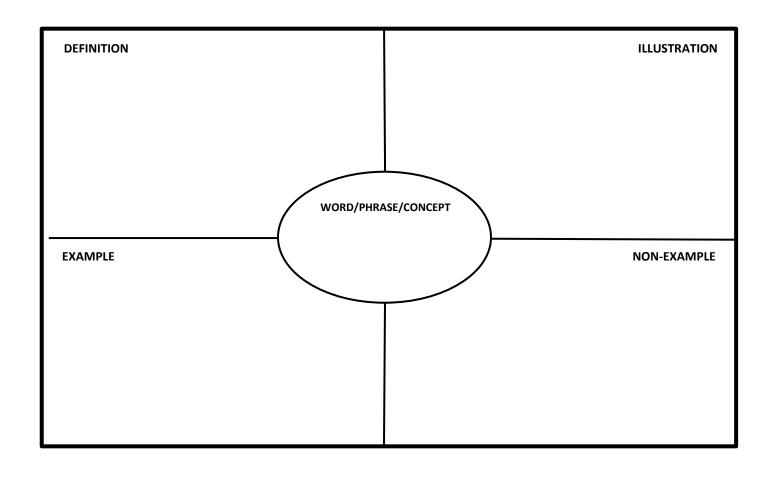
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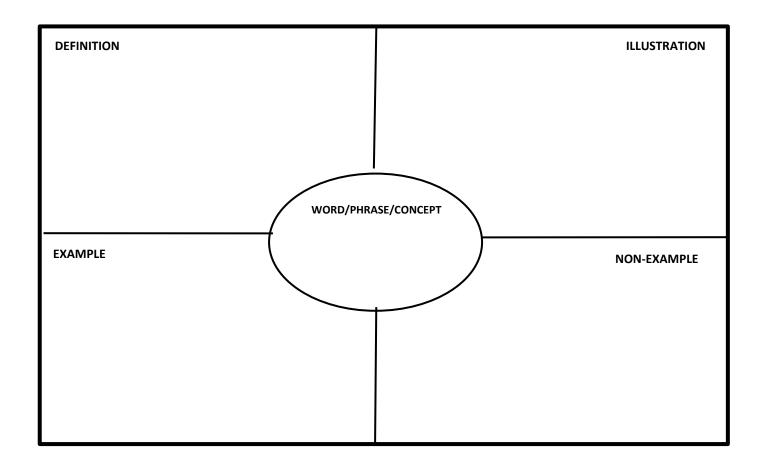
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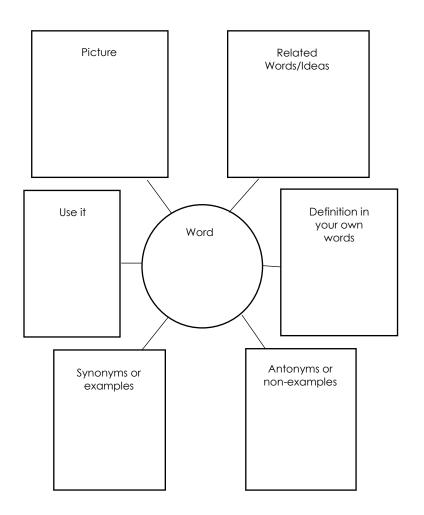


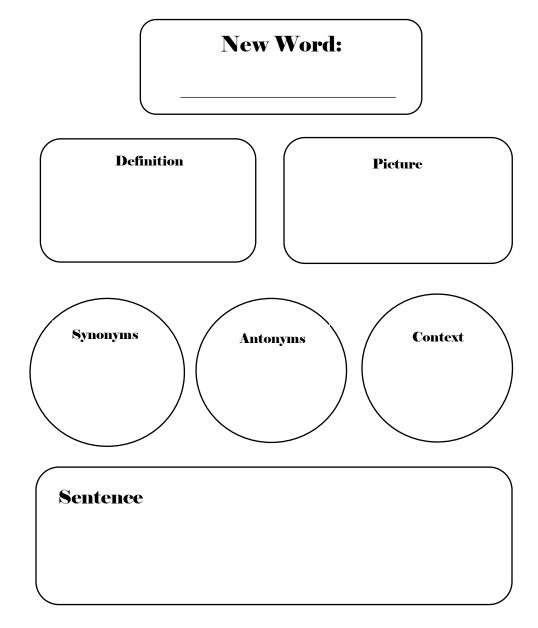






# Semantic Map





# **Sample Sentence Frames**

Relationship Or Connection	Sentence Frame Examples	Transitions		
Describe	<ul> <li>The has, and</li> <li>How does the?</li> <li>Why did/didn't the?</li> <li> is located (prepositional phrase) the</li> <li>The are usually</li> </ul>	for example for instance in support of this in fact as evidence		
Argument Agree or Disagree	I don't think the evidence supports because  I don't agree with that statement because  As we just saw in the experiment, does  due to	you Feel Yet		
Cite Information	<ul> <li>Here we see that</li> <li>The data shows that</li> <li>The (author/text) reveals that</li> </ul>	As evidence I notice		
Estimate	• Looking at the, I think there are	approximately, about, roughly		
Hypothesize & Make Predictions	I think will  What I already know about helps me predict that  Because , I predict that  If had , then would have	n my opinion There is no doubt that question whether believe From my point of view (dis)agree t is my belief that t seems to me that maintain that		
Give and Support Opinions	(I think) is because     (I like) because	first equally important likewise again second third(ly) in addition next moreover finally equally important sequence equally important likewise again sequence again sequen		
Cause and Effect	The had so  Due to the fact that, decided to	since caused by in effect because of this results in brought about due to consequently, made possible,  since therefore as a result of give rise to if then leads to was responsible for for this reason, accordingly, as might be expected		

Draw Conclusions	The is because  She/He feels because  This is similar to because both	for the reasons above to sum up in short in brief as you can see to be sure undoubtedly without a doubt in conclusion in like manner	in any case in other words in summation obviously concluding on the whole unquestionably in any event as I have noted in the same way
		likewise similarly as well as	have in common all are compared to
Contrast	• This is similar to because both	after all for all that on the other hand although this may be true, however on the contrary and yet in contrast to this still	nevertheless yet but notwithstanding as opposed to conversely even though rather than in spite of at the same time
Sequence	• We saw that first,, then, and at the end	again first moreover also further(more) next and then in addition secondly besides last(ly) thirdly	equally important too finally likewise, after a few days immediately meanwhile, afterward in the meantime soon at length
Measure	<ul> <li>A is cm. long, cm. wide, and cm. tall.</li> <li>This holds a volume of mls.</li> <li>Before we, the liquid, but now it</li> </ul>	approximately about roughly	estimate nearly
Construct charts, tables, and graphs	<ul> <li>Plot and</li> <li>Plot as</li> <li>Graph the independent variable as a function of</li> </ul>	plot graph function variable direction	quadrant coordinate plane slope
Distinguish fact from opinion	<ul> <li>Although you say the table says that</li> <li>The word is evidence that is a(n)</li> <li>This is a(n) because we can/cannot prove</li> </ul>	although as opposed to whether or not	on the contrary in spite of
Summarize	<ul> <li>The main idea from this observation is that</li> <li>In short, but actually</li> </ul>	as has been noted in other words indeed as I have said	on the whole for example in sum to be sure

		in short to sum up in fact	for instance in brief in any event
Identify Relationships	<ul> <li>This is necessary for because it</li> <li>Both and could be classified as</li> <li>The reason goes with is because</li> </ul>	since caused by in effect because of this results in brought about due to consequently made possible	ifthen leads to was responsible for as might be expected therefore as a result of give rise to for this reason accordingly

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