

California Curriculum Standards and Benchmarks

	STANDARD	BENCHMARK	_		so	
	READING		1	2	3	4
Language Arts	Word Analysis, Fluency, and Systematic Vocabulary Development					
	Students understand the basic features of reading.	Read narrative and expository text aloud with grade-appropriate fluency and accuracy	•		•	
		Apply knowledge of word origins, derivations, synonyms, antonyms, and idioms to determine the meaning of words and phrases			•	
	Reading Comprehension					
	Students read and understand grade level appropriate material. They draw upon a variety of comprehension strategies as needed.	Identify structural patterns found in informational text			•	
		Use appropriate strategies when reading for different purposes	•	•	•	
		Make and confirm predictions about text			•	
	Literary Response and Analysis					
	Students read and respond to a wide variety of significant works of children's literature.	Define figurative language and identify its use in literary works			•	
	Students write clear, coherent sentences and paragraphs that support a central idea. Their writing shows that they consider the audience and purpose.	Select a focus, an organizational structure, and a point of view based upon purpose, audience, length, and successive versions	•			•
		Create multiple-paragraph compositions				•
		Use traditional structures for conveying information	•			•
		Use various reference materials as an aid to writing	•			•
		Edit and revise selected drafts to improve coherence and progression by adding, deleting, consolidating, and rearranging text			•	
	Writing Applications					
	Students write compositions that describe and explain familiar objects, events, and experiences.	Write information reports				•
		Write summaries that contain the main ideas of the reading selection and the most significant details			•	•
Geography	Students demonstrate an understanding of the physical and human geographic features that define places and regions in California.	Use maps, charts, and pictures to describe how communities in California vary in population density, architecture, services, and transportation and their use of land, vegetation, wildlife, and climate	•	•		
Science	Investigation and Experimentation Scientific progress is made by asking meaningful questions and conducting careful investigations.	Students will measure and estimate weight, length, or volume of objects		•		
Math	Mathematical Reasoning Students make decisions about how to approach problems.	Analyze problems by identifying relationships, distinguishing relevant from irrelevant information, sequencing and priority of information, and observing patterns Determine when and how to break a problem into simpler parts		•		
	Students use strategies, skills, and concepts in finding solutions.	Make precise calculations and check the validity of the results from the context of the problem		•		