## **English IV**

Reading Literature	Nine Weeks
	Standards
Key Ideas and Details	will be
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RI.11.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the	1, 2, 3, 4
text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining	
where the text leaves matters uncertain	
RL.12.2 Determine themes or central ideas of a text and analyze in detail their	1, 2, 3, 4
development over the course of the text, including how details of a text interact	
and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an accurate	
summary of the text based upon this analysis.	
RL.12.3 Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and	1, 2, 3
relate elements of a literary text (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is	, ,
ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).	
Craft and Structure	1, 2, 3, 4
RL.12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text,	
including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word	
choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language	
that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful. (Include Shakespeare as well as	
other authors.)	
RL.12.5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure specific parts	1, 2, 3, 4
of a text (e.g., the choice of where to begin or end a story, the choice to provide a	1, 2, 3, 4
comedic or tragic resolution) contribute to its overall structure and meaning as well	
as its aesthetic impact.	
RL.12.6 Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing	1, 2, 3,4
what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm,	1, 2, 3 , .
irony, or understatement).	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	1, 2, 3
RL.12.7 Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded	
or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each	
version interprets the source text. (Include at least one play by Shakespeare and	
one play by an American dramatist.)	
RL.12.8 Not applicable to literature	
RL.12.9 Demonstrate knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth	1, 2, 3, 4
century foundational works of American literature, including how two or more texts	
from the same period treat similar themes or topics.5	
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	4
RL.12.10 By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literature, including stories,	
dramas, and poems, at the high end of the grades 12–CCR text complexity band	
independently and proficiently.	
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Reading Informational	1, 2, 3, 4
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RI.12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the	
text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining	
where the text leaves matters uncertain.	2 4
RI.12.2 Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze in detail their	3, 4
development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on	
one another to provide a complex analysis; provide an accurate summary of the	
text based upon this analysis.	
RI.12.3 Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how	1, 2, 3, 4
specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the	
text.	
Craft and Structure	1, 2, 3, 4
RI.12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text,	
including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze how an author	
uses and refines the meaning of a key term or terms over the course of a text (e.g.,	
how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).	
RI.12.5 Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his	1, 2, 3
or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear,	
convincing, and engaging.	
RI.12.6 Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text in which the	1, 2, 3, 4
rhetoric is particularly effective, analyzing how style and content contribute to the	
power, persuasiveness or beauty of the text.	
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	3, 4
RI.12.7 Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in	
different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order	
to address a question or solve a problem.	
RI.12.8 Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S. texts, including the	2, 3, 4
application of constitutional principles and use of legal reasoning (e.g., in U.S.	
Supreme Court majority opinions and dissents) and the premises, purposes, and	
arguments in works of public advocacy (e.g., The Federalist, presidential	
addresses).6	
RI.12.9 Analyze seventeenth-, eighteenth-, and nineteenth-century foundational	2, 3, 4
U.S. documents of historical and literary significance for their themes, purposes,	
and rhetorical features. Such documents might include The Declaration of	
Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and Lincoln's	
Second Inaugural Address.	
Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	4
RI.12.10 By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the	
high end of the grades 12-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.	
Writing	1, 3, 4
Text Types and Purposes	
W.12.1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or	
texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence	

W.12.1a Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically sequences claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.	3, 4
W.12.1b Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.	3, 4
W.12.1c Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.1d Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.1e Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.	1, 2
W.12.2a Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information so that each new element builds on that which precedes it to create a unified whole; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.2b Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.2c Use appropriate and varied transitions and syntax to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.2d Use precise language, domain-specific vocabulary, and techniques such as metaphor, simile, and analogy to manage the complexity of the topic.	1, 2, 3
W.12.2e Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.2f Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).	2, 3, 4
W.12.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences	1, 2
W.12.3a Engage and orient the reader by setting out a problem, situation, or observation and its significance, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and introducing a narrator and/or characters; create a smooth progression of experiences or events.	3, 4
W.12.3b Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters	1, 2

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W.12.3c Use a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one	1, 2, 3, 4
another to create a coherent whole and build toward a particular tone and	
outcome (e.g., a sense of mystery, suspense, growth, or resolution).	
W.12.3d Use precise words and phrases, telling details, and sensory language to	1, 2, 3, 4
convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters	
W.12.3e Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced,	1, 2
observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative.	
Production and Distribution of Writing	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development,	
organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-	
specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	
W.12.5 Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing,	1, 2, 3, 4
rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant	
for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate	
command of Language standards 1–3 up to and including grades 11–12.)	
W.12.6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update	1, 2, 3, 4
individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including	
new arguments or information.	
Research to Build and Present Knowledge	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a	
question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or	
broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject,	
demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation	
W.12.8 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital	4
sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of	
each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into	
the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and	
overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.	
W.12.9a Apply grades 11–12 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "Demonstrate	2, 3, 4
knowledge of eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century foundational	
works of American literature, including how two or more texts from the same	
period treat similar themes or topics").	
W.12.9b Apply grades 11–12 Reading standards to literary nonfiction and/or	1, 2, 3, 4
informational texts (e.g., "Delineate and evaluate the reasoning in seminal U.S.	
texts, including the application of constitutional principles and use of legal	
reasoning [e.g., in U.S. Supreme Court Case majority opinions and dissents] and the	
premises, purposes, and arguments in works of public advocacy [e.g., The	
Federalist, presidential addresses]").	
Range of Writing	1, 2, 3, 4
W.12.10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection,	
and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of	
tasks, purposes, and audiences.	
Speaking and Listening	1, 2, 3, 4

Communication and Callaboration	
Comprehension and Collaboration	
SL.12.1 Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions	
(one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11–12	
topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly	
and persuasively.	1 2 2 4
SL.12.1a Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under	1, 2, 3, 4
study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and	
other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned	
exchange of ideas.	1 2 2 4
SL.12.1b Work with peers to promote civil, democratic discussions and decision	1, 2, 3, 4
making, set clear goals and deadlines, and establish individual roles as needed.	
SL.12.1c Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that probe	1, 2, 3, 4
reasoning and evidence; ensure a hearing for a full range of positions on a topic or	
issue; clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions; and promote divergent and	
creative perspectives.	
SL.12.1d Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives; synthesize comments,	3, 4
claims, and evidence made on all sides of an issue; resolve contradictions when	
possible; and determine what additional information or research is required to	
deepen the investigation or complete the task.	
SL.12.2 Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and	1, 2, 3, 4
media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and	
solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting	
any discrepancies among the data.	
SL.12.3 Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and	2, 3, 4
rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of	
emphasis, and tone used.	
Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	3, 4
SL.12.4 Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear	
and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning,	
alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization,	
development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a	
range of formal and informal tasks.	
SL.12.5 Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual,	1, 2, 3, 4
and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings,	, , - ,
reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	
SL.12.6 Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating a command	1, 2, 3, 4
of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grades 11–12 Language	, , - , -
standards 1 and 3 for specific expectations.)	
contact 2 and 5 for specific expectations,	

Language Conventions of Standard English	1, 2, 3, 4
L.12.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and	
usage when writing or speaking.	

L.12.1a Apply the understanding that usage is a matter of convention, can change over time, and is sometimes contested.	3, 4
L.12.1b Resolve issues of complex or contested usage, consulting references (e.g.,	1, 2, 3, 4
Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage, Garner's Modern American Usage)	1, 2, 3, 4
as needed.	
L.12.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization,	1, 2, 3, 4
punctuation, and spelling when writing.	1, 2, 0, 1
L.12.2a Observe hyphenation conventions.	1, 2, 3, 4
L.12.2b Spell correctly.	1, 2, 3, 4
Knowledge of Language	1, 2, 3, 4 1, 2, 3, 4
L.12.3 Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in	
different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to	
comprehend more fully when reading or listening	
L.12.3a Vary syntax for effect, consulting references (e.g., Tufte's Artful Sentences)	1, 2, 3, 4
for guidance as needed; when analyzing complex texts, demonstrate an	7 7 - 7
understanding of how syntax contributes to the purpose or meaning of the text	
Vocabulary Acquisition and Use	
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L.12.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words	
and phrases based on grades 11–12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a	
range of strategies.	
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L.12.4a Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a	
word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or	
phrase.	
L.12.4b Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different	1, 2, 3, 4
meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).	
L.12.4c Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries,	1, 2, 3, 4
glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word	
or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its	
standard usage.	
L.12.4d Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase	1, 2, 3, 4
(e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).	
L.12.5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and	1, 2, 3, 4
nuances in word meanings.	
L.12.5a Interpret figures of speech (e.g., hyperbole, paradox) in context and analyze	1, 2, 3
their role in the text.	
L.12.5b Analyze nuances in the meaning of words with similar denotations.	1, 2, 3, 4
L.12.6 Acquire and use accurately general academic and domain-specific words and	1, 2, 3, 4
phrases, sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and	
career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary	
knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or	
expression.	