8th Grade Texts Crosswalk

How to use this document

Review the 6-8 Texts domain. This domain includes 5 big ideas. Each big idea includes standards and expectations. You can find the complete Texts domain document here. As you review the Texts domain, note connections to the new standards and the 2015 standards.

I. BIG IDEA: Context: Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.		
New Standard	New Grade 8 Expectations	2015 Standard
STANDARD 6-8.T.C.1: Purpose & Audience Analyze the impact of purpose and audience on a wide variety of texts.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.C.1.a Analyze the development of multiple purposes within a single text and how those purposes target specific audiences. 8.T.C.1.b Use text mode features to aid comprehension and analysis of a variety of disciplinary texts and their related contexts Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.C.1.c Construct multimodal texts and/or presentations that serve more than one purpose and target a specific audience, using multiple, clearly identifiable features of incorporated modes.	

STANDARD 6-8.T.C.2: Authors & Speakers Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.C.2.a Compare and contrast varying perspectives on a particular topic found across a variety of texts, analyzing how texts establish and develop perspective to shape perceptions or beliefs.	
	8.T.C.2.b Identify an author's bias and determine how that bias impacts text credibility.	
	8.T.C.2.c Analyze the impact of background information and context (e.g., geography, location, era, historical happenings) on text development.	
	Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.C.2.d Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.	

II. BIG IDEA: Structures & Style: Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.		
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STANDARD 6-8.T.SS.1: Organization Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.SS.1.a Analyze the impact of how authors modify text structures or features to convey meaning, respond to the audience, or achieve specific purposes.	

	Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.SS.1.b Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience. 8.T.SS.1.c Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion. 8.T.SS.1.d Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.	
STANDARD 6-8.T.SS.2: Craft Interpret and use language to craft engaging texts.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.SS.2.a Analyze how figurative language, connotative language, and literary device choices are used strategically to achieve specific purposes for target audiences Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.SS.2.b Use figurative language, literary devices, or connotative language for intentional effects when creating texts to achieve specific purposes or appeal to the target audience 8.T.SS.2.c Use formal or informal style	

characteristics as indicated by a text's purpose, audience, and disciplinary context.	
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III. BIG IDEA: Techniques: Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.		
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STANDARD 6-8.T.T.1: Narrative Techniques Analyze and apply narrative techniques.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.T.1.a Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting	
	8.T.T.1.b Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.	
	8.T.T.1.c Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through c	
	8.T.T.1.d Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.	
	Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.T.1.e Apply narrative techniques to enhance writing, engage audiences, and achieve specific purposes.	
STANDARD 6-8.T.T.2: Expository Techniques	Reading/Listening/Viewing	

Analyze and apply expository techniques.	8.T.T.2.a Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure. 8.T.T.2.b Analyze and evaluate how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts. Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.T.2.c Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.	
STANDARD 6-8.T.T.3: Argumentative Techniques Analyze and apply argumentative techniques.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.T.3.a Analyze the development of argumentative techniques used to present and design content, including an author's claim, supporting relevant and logical evidence, an identified counterclaim, a rebuttal, and a conclusion that logically follows the argument Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.T.3.c Apply argumentative techniques (e.g., author's claim, supporting relevant and logical evidence, an identified counterclaim,	

	a rebuttal, and a conclusion) to enhance writing and engage audiences.	
STANDARD 6-8.T.T.4: Poetic Techniques Analyze and apply poetic techniques.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.T.4.a Analyze the development of poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or cacophony.	
	Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.T.4.b Apply poetic techniques (e.g., stanzas, rhyme/rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, sound devices) to produce poetry and engage audiences.	

IV. BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis: Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics. **New Standard New Grade 8 Expectations** 2015 Standard Reading/Listening/Viewing STANDARD 6-8.T.RA.1: Research & Inquiry 8.T.RA.1.a Generate questions to quide Conduct research, generating questions to research and make connections between guide investigations of complex topics of related topics of interest, formulating interest and using credible resources to questions to investigate complex topics and support analyses. ideas 8.T.RA.1.b Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas

and information.

	Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.RA.1.c Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics	
STANDARD 6-8.T.RA.2: Curating Sources & Evidence Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.RA.2.a Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres. 8.T.RA.2.b Analyze print, digital, and multimodal sources for accuracy, credibility, and relevance, determining whether the ideas and information support the topic under investigation and appeal to the target audience. Writing/Speaking/Creating 8.T.RA.2.c Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.	

V. BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements: Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.

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STANDARD 6-8.T.PM.1: Periods & Movements Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.	Reading/Listening/Viewing 8.T.PM.1.a Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works. 8.T.PM.1.b Compare and contrast the treatment of a common theme by different writers within a time period	