The educational materials referenced herein have undergone a rigorous evaluation process through EdReports and have been selected as Colorado Department of Education (CDE) recommended resources based on meeting all gateway criteria. While these materials have met stringent quality standards, please note:

- Implementation Context: These materials are intended to serve as instructional resources and should be adapted to meet the specific needs of your student population, local curriculum requirements, and educational context.
- 2. Professional Judgment: Educators should exercise their professional judgment in determining how to best utilize these materials within their instructional practice. The presence of these materials in the CDE recommended list does not override the importance of teacher expertise in implementation.
- 3. READ Act Compliance: While the materials listed in grades 4-5 are also on the READ Act approved list they are not eligible for purchase with READ Act funds.
- 4. Accessibility and Differentiation: Although these materials have met quality standards, teachers may need to make modifications to ensure accessibility for all learners, including students with disabilities, English language learners, and students requiring additional support or enrichment.
- 5. Currency of Content: While these materials have been thoroughly vetted, educators should verify that any time-sensitive content remains current and accurate, and supplement with updated information as needed.
- 6. Usage Rights: These materials are subject to specific usage rights and licensing agreements. Users must comply with all applicable copyright and intellectual property laws when utilizing these resources.
- 7. Standard Alignment: Though these materials have met EdReports gateway criteria, educators should continue to assess alignment with current state standards and local curriculum requirements during implementation.
- 8. Non-Endorsement: While these materials have been reviewed by the CDE, this does not constitute an exclusive endorsement. Other materials not included in this selection may also be suitable for educational purposes.

This rationale is intended to promote responsible and effective use of educational materials while acknowledging the dynamic nature of education and the importance of professional educator discretion in implementation.