



How to Support Learning at Home: A Play Card for Families



Sixth-Eighth Grade Selected English Language & Writing Standards

	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth
Key Ideas & Details	<p>Use quotes from a book/ article, as well as clues, to support what the text says.</p> <p>Determine the central idea of a text and how it is told through particular details; provide a summary of the text with objective/neutral evidence.</p> <p>Describe how a particular story's events unfold in a series of episodes, as well as how the characters change as the story moves toward a resolution.</p>	<p>Cite several quotes, clues from the text, and events to support what the text says.</p> <p>Determine the central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text (how does it change?); provide an objective summary of the text.</p> <p>Analyze how particular elements of a story interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or central idea).</p>	<p>Cite the quotes and use clues that most strongly support what the text says.</p> <p>Determine the central idea of a text and identify how it changes over the course of the story, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text/ story.</p> <p>Analyze how particular quotes made by characters in a story cause certain actions, reveal information about a character, or provoke a decision.</p>
Writing	<p>Write arguments to support an idea with clear reasons and relevant quotes from the text.</p> <p>a. Introduce an argument and organize the reasons and evidence clearly.</p> <p>b. Support an argument with clear reasons and evidence, using credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic.</p> <p>c. Establish and maintain a formal writing style.</p> <p>d. Provide a concluding statement that connects to the argument.</p>	<p>Write arguments to support ideas with clear reasons and relevant quotes from the text.</p> <p>a. Introduce an argument, acknowledge and address opposing arguments, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.</p> <p>b. Support an argument or counterarguments with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic.</p> <p>c. Establish and maintain a formal writing style.</p> <p>d. Provide a concluding statement that connects to the argument.</p>	<p>Write arguments to support ideas with clear reasons and relevant quotes from the text.</p> <p>a. Introduce an argument, acknowledge and distinguish the argument from other opposing ideas, and organize the reasons and evidence clearly and with valid reasons.</p> <p>b. Support an argument with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic.</p> <p>c. Establish and maintain a formal writing style.</p> <p>d. Provide a concluding statement that connects to the argument.</p>



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**Sample
Activities
& Online
Resource to
Practice with
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Sixth

- ✓ Choose a social studies or science article on <https://www.dogonews.com/>
- ✓ Identify an opinion about the topic, develop reasons to support the opinion and cite examples from the text.
- ✓ To learn more about relevant and effective evidence to support your argument, view the following link: <https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/6c92dbfe-e060-48a6-b3ac-14064b8132ec/argumentative-essay-citing-and-analyzing-evidence/>
- ✓ Write notes about the purpose and appropriate use of evidence, such as quotes or events from a story.

Seventh

- ✓ Download books from Los Angeles City or County Libraries for free: <https://lacountylibrary.org/students/> <https://www.lapl.org/studentsuccess>
- ✓ Make a comic strip of 10 scenes identifying the essential events in the story. Explain why these are the main ideas.
- ✓ Practice organizing a 5-paragraph essay, starting with an outline, addressing prompts such as:
 - What are the benefits of learning online?
 - What are ways to stay healthy and safe when outside?
 - How can students continue learning from home for long periods of time?
- ✓ Proceed to transform your outline into a 5 paragraph essay, providing examples to support your opinion. https://www.learningally.org/Portals/6/Docs/TeacherResources/LA_5-Paragraph-Essay-Template.pdf
- ✓ <https://www.slideshare.net/amonera/el-ensayo-de-5-prrafos>

Eighth

- ✓ Learn about a 5-paragraph essay <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tim9oNx1cLU> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uariEKu5cho>
- ✓ Write notes describing the sections included in a 5-paragraph essay.
- ✓ Write a 5-paragraph essay about a topic, a historical event, a theme in a book or a character using relevant and effective evidence. Answer the following prompt:
 - ✓ What historical event has directly impacted your family and how?
 - ✓ Is the process for electing a president in the United States fair?
 - ✓ Who is your admired historical figure and why?



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Sixth-Eighth Grade Selected Mathematics Standards

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Ratios and Proportional Relationships & Expressions and Equations	<p>Understand ratios and rates, and solve problems involving proportional relationships (e.g., if it took 7 hours to mow 4 lawns, then at that rate, how many lawns could be mowed in 35 hours?)</p> <p>Write equations to solve word problems and describe relationships between quantities (e.g., the distance D traveled by a train in time T might be expressed by an equation $D = 85T$, where D is in miles and T is in hours)</p>	<p>Identify the constant of proportionality, or unit rate, in tables, graphs, equations, diagrams, and verbal descriptions of proportional relationships.</p> <p>Solve equations such as $\frac{1}{2}(x - 3) = \frac{3}{4}$ quickly and accurately, and write equations of this kind to solve word problems.</p>	<p>Understand slope, and relating linear equations in two variables to lines in the coordinate plane.</p> <p>Solving linear equations (e.g., $-x + 5(x + \frac{1}{3}) = 2x - 8$); solving pairs of linear equations (e.g., $x + 6y = -1$ and $2x - 2y = 12$)</p> <p>Working with positive and negative exponents, square root and cube root symbols, and scientific notation (e.g., evaluating $\sqrt{36} + \sqrt{64}$; estimating world population as 7×10^9)</p>
Measurement and Geometry	<p>Reason about relationships between shapes to determine area, surface area, and volume</p>	<p>Use formulas for the area and circumference of a circle and use them to solve problems</p> <p>Understand facts about supplementary, complementary, vertical, and adjacent angles in a multi-step problem to write and solve simple equations for an unknown angle in a figure</p>	<p>Understanding congruence and similarity using physical models, transparencies, or geometry software (e.g., given two congruent figures, show how to obtain one from the other by a sequence of rotations, translations, and/or reflections)</p>
Sample Activities & Online Resource to Practice with your Child at Home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Khan Academy – 6th Grade Math: https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-sixth-grade-math ✓ Khan Academy en Español – 6th Grade Math: https://es.khanacademy.org/math/cc-sixth-grade-math ✓ Math Games for 6th Grade: https://www.hoodamath.com/games/sixth-grade.html ✓ Math Antics – Proportions: https://youtu.be/USmit5zUGas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Khan Academy – 7th Grade Math: https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-seventh-grade-math ✓ Khan Academy en Español – 7th Grade Math: https://es.khanacademy.org/math/cc-seventh-grade-math ✓ Math Games for 7th Grade: https://www.hoodamath.com/games/seventh-grade.html ✓ Math Antics – Ratios and Rates: https://youtu.be/RQ2nYUBVvqI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Khan Academy – 8th Grade Math: https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-eighth-grade-math ✓ Khan Academy en Español– 8th Grade Math: https://es.khanacademy.org/math/cc-eighth-grade-math ✓ Math Games for 8th Grade: https://www.hoodamath.com/games/eighth-grade.html ✓ Math Antics – Basic Linear Functions: https://youtu.be/MXV65j9g1Xg