

Reading Standards for Literature 1-5

Grade	Strand: Key Ideas and Details		
	Standard 1	Standard 2	Standard 3
1	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text	Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson	Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details
2	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text	Recount stories, including fables and folktales from diverse cultures, and determine their central message, lesson, or moral	Describe how characters in a story respond to major events and challenges
3	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers	Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text	Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events
4	Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text	Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions)
5	Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text	Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters in a story or drama respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a topic; summarize the text	Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact)