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a. Introduce the topic or text they are writing about, state an opinion, & create an organizational structure that lists reasons.	●	●	●		●			●	●			●	●		●		
b. Provide reasons that support the opinion.	●	●	●		●			●	●			●	●		●		
c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., <i>because, therefore, since, for example</i>) to connect opinion and reasons.	●	●			●			●	●			●	●		●		
d. Provide a concluding statement or section.	●	●		●	●			●	●			●	●		●		
<i>Text Types and Purposes (cont.)</i>																	
2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	●	●	●	●	●			●	●				●		●		
a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension.	●	●	●		●			●	●				●		●		
b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.	●	●	●		●			●	●				●		●		
c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., <i>also, another, and more, but</i>) to connect ideas within categories of information.	●	●			●			●	●						●		
d. Provide a concluding statement or section.	●	●		●	●			●	●				●		●		
3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●	●				●		
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<p>b. Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.</p>	●	●	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●			●		
<p>c. Use temporal words and phrases to signal event order.</p>	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
<p>d. Provide a sense of closure.</p>	●			●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
<i>Production and Distribution of Writing</i>																	
<p>4. With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)</p>	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
<p>5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.</p>	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
<p>6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact & collaborate with others.</p>	●				●										●		
<i>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</i>																	
<p>7. Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.</p>	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●		●		
<p>8. Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.</p>	●	●	●		●			●							●		
<p>9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.</p>	●	●	●	●	●			●				●	●	●	●	●	
<p>a. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to literature (e.g., "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].").</p>	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	

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b. Apply grade 4 Reading standards to informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text").	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●		
<i>Range of Writing</i>																	
10. Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, & revision) & shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, & audiences.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		

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b. Provide reasons that support the opinion.	●	●	●						●						●		
c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., <i>because, therefore, since, for example</i>) to connect opinion and reasons.	●	●	●						●		●				●		
d. Provide a concluding statement or section.	●	●	●						●		●				●		
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2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	●	●	●		●				●						●		
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b. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details.	●	●	●	●		●									●		
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3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	●	●	●	●	●					●	●				●		
a. Establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.	●		●		●					●	●				●		
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<i>Production and Distribution of Writing</i>																	
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5. With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing.	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
6. With guidance and support from adults, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills) as well as to interact & collaborate with others.	●	●			●	●				●	●		●		●		
<i>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</i>																	
7. Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.	●	●	●	●	●	●		●	●		●		●		●		
8. Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.	●	●	●	●	●				●		●				●		
9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	●	●	●	●	●			●				●	●	●	●		
a. Apply grade 5 Reading standards to literature (e.g., “Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or a drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., how characters interact]”).	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●		
b. Apply grade 5 Reading standards to informational texts (e.g., “Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point[s]”).	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●		
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a. Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literature (e.g., “Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres [e.g., stories and poems; historical novels and fantasy stories] in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics”).	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●		
b. Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., “Trace & evaluate the argument & specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons & evidence from claims that are not”).	●	●	●	●	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●		

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