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Guide for Benchmarks

GRADE FOUR LANGUAGE ARTS/READING

WORD KNOWLEDGE – PHONICS, VOCABULARY, SPELLING						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
1.4.2	Use phonics and structural elements to determine the meaning of words [1.1]		→		→	
1.4.3			Use knowledge of common Greek- and Latin-derived roots and affixes to determine the meaning of words in context [1.2]		→	
1.4.4					Use dictionaries and glossaries to determine meaning and features of words [1.3]	

READING COMPREHENSION – PROCESS SKILLS AND STRATEGIES						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
2.4.3			Apply strategies of summarizing and drawing conclusions [2.9]		→	
2.4.4	Use outlining, summarizing and graphic organizers to understand information from text [2.12]		→		→	
	Read narrative and expository text aloud with fluency [2.11]		→		→	

READING COMPREHENSION – LITERATURE						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
3.4.1	Know plot, character, setting conflict, and resolution (stated information) [3.1]		→		→	
3.4.2			Make inferences about character traits; make predictions about conflicts and resolutions [3.2]		→	

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READING COMPREHENSION – LITERATURE (continued)						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
3.4.4			Identify themes in a variety of reading selections [3.4]			→
3.4.5			Find figurative language including simile, metaphor, and personification in text [3.5]			→
3.4.7	Identify the structures of stories, plays, poetry, and non-fiction selections [3.6]			→		→

READING COMPREHENSION – INFORMATIONAL TEXTS						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
4.4.1	Use titles, table of contents, chapter headings, glossaries, indexes, diagrams and charts to comprehend text [4.1]					
4.4.2			Identify and compare main ideas and important concepts of texts [4.2]			→
4.4.3			Develop hypotheses based upon prior knowledge and information from text, interpret information in new contexts [4.3]			
4.4.4	Draw conclusions about text and support them with evidence [4.4]			→		
4.4.6					Read and follow multi-step directions to complete a task [4.6]	

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WRITING - GENRE						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
5.4.1					Write informative papers with a clear focus using a variety of sources [5.2]	
5.4.2			Write well-organized friendly and formal letters [5.3]		→	
5.4.4	Write responses to literature, using supporting details from the selections [5.5]		→		→	
5.4.5	Write compositions with a main idea and supporting details [5.6]		→		→	

WRITING - COMPOSITION						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
6.4.2	Organize ideas by listing, webbing, and mapping [6.4]		→		→	
6.4.3	Create a one-paragraph composition with main idea and supporting details [6.5]		→		→	

WRITING - MECHANICS						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
7.4.1			Identify correct use: pronoun/antecedent agreement, subject/verb agreement, verb tense, pronoun case, comparative, superlative adjectives [7.1]		→	
7.4.2			Write compound and complex sentences [7.2]		→	

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7.4.3	Use correct end punctuation initials, and abbreviations. Punctuate city and state, words in a series, salutation, and close in letters; apostrophe in contractions; colon between hours and minutes [7.5]		Punctuate compound sentences and quotation marks in direct quote [7.5]		Punctuate irregular and plural possessives [7.5]	
7.4.4	Use rules of capitalization (names and titles, days and holidays, topics and subtopics, places, first word of a sentence, pronoun “I”, salutation and closing in letter) [7.7]		→		→	
7.4.5	Apply high-frequency spelling rules to frequently used words [7.8]		→		→	
			Identify correct word order in sentences and correct run-on sentences [7.3, 7.4]		→	

LISTENING						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
8.4.1					Distinguish fact from opinion using verbal and non-verbal cues [8.1]	
8.4.4					Follow oral directions to complete a complex task [8.4]	

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SPEAKING						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
9.4.3					Give organized presentations that demonstrate a clear viewpoint [9.3]	
9.4.5					Give clear and concise directions to complete a task [9.5]	

DISCUSSION						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
10.4.2					Ask and answer questions with relevant details to clarify ideas [10.2]	
10.4.4					Identify and express opinions and state facts [10.4]	

RESEARCH AND STUDY SKILLS						
NV Standards	First Trimester		Second Trimester		Third Trimester	
	6 weeks	12 weeks	18 weeks	24 weeks	30 weeks	36 weeks
11.4.4					Organize and record information: note-taking from print and other non-print resources [11.4]	

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