

# Reading Grade 4 Trimester 2

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## NJSLS ELA

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ELA.L.RF.4.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
ELA.L.RF.4.4.A	Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding.
ELA.L.RF.4.4.B	Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression.
ELA.L.RF.4.4.C	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
ELA.L.KL.4.1.A	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases.
ELA.L.KL.4.1.B	Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.
ELA.L.VL.4.2.B	Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., telegraph, photograph, autograph).
ELA.L.VI.4.3.A	Explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors (e.g., as pretty as a picture) in context.
ELA.RL.CI.4.2	Summarize a literary text and interpret the author's theme citing key details from the text.
ELA.RI.CI.4.2	Summarize an informational text and interpret the author's purpose or main idea citing key details from the text.
ELA.RL.TS.4.4	Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.
ELA.RI.TS.4.4	Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.
ELA.SL.PE.4.1.C	Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.
ELA.SL.II.4.2	Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally).
ELA.SL.ES.4.3	Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points.

## Rationale and Transfer Goals

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### L.RF.4.4: A-C

**Rationale:** This standard addresses the need for fluency in reading, which includes accuracy, appropriate pacing, and expression. Fluency is critical for overall reading comprehension and enjoyment.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to read grade-level texts fluently and with comprehension, enabling them to access and engage with a wide range of texts for both academic purposes and personal enjoyment.

## **SL.PE.4.1: C**

**Rationale:** This standard emphasizes the importance of effective communication, a crucial skill for academic and social success. By engaging in collaborative discussions, students develop their ability to express ideas clearly, listen to others, and build on the contributions of their peers.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to engage in meaningful discussions, both in academic settings and in everyday life, using their communication skills to express their thoughts, listen actively, and collaborate effectively with others.

## **RL.CI.4.2**

**Rationale:** Understanding how to determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text helps students grasp the deeper meanings and messages conveyed by the author. This standard encourages critical thinking and interpretation.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to identify and articulate the themes in various literary works, enhancing their ability to appreciate literature and apply its lessons to their own lives.

## **RI.CI.4.2**

**Rationale:** Determining the main idea of a text and explaining how it is supported by key details is essential for comprehending and analyzing informational texts. This skill is fundamental for academic success across subjects.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to identify the main ideas and key details in informational texts, enabling them to summarize and analyze complex information effectively.

## **RL.TS.4.4**

**Rationale:** Understanding the structural elements of poems, prose, and drama aids in comprehension and appreciation of different literary forms. This standard emphasizes recognizing and interpreting various literary structures.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to analyze and interpret the structural elements of different literary forms, enhancing their ability to understand and enjoy diverse types of literature.

## **RI.TS.4.4**

**Rationale:** Describing the overall structure of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text is crucial for understanding how authors organize and present information. This skill helps students better comprehend and analyze texts.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to describe and analyze the structure of informational texts, aiding their comprehension and ability to evaluate the effectiveness of an author's organizational choices.

### **L.KL.4.1: A-B**

**Rationale:** Proficiency in vocabulary enables students to express their ideas more clearly and precisely, enhancing their overall communication skills. The ability to choose precise words and phrases empowers students to communicate their thoughts, feelings, and ideas effectively.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to choose and use precise words and phrases to convey their ideas effectively in writing and speaking. They will understand how the choice of words impacts the clarity and effectiveness of their communication, and they will be able to adjust their language to suit different audiences and purposes.

### **L.VL.4.2: B**

**Rationale:** Greek and Latin affixes and roots form the foundation of a significant portion of the English language, particularly in academic and technical vocabulary. By learning these building blocks, students can enhance their ability to decipher unfamiliar words, thereby improving their reading comprehension and expanding their vocabulary. Knowledge of affixes and roots empowers students to make educated guesses about the meanings of new words, making them more independent and confident readers and learners.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will use their knowledge of word parts to enhance their comprehension of complex texts. They will be able to break down challenging words into manageable components, leading to a deeper understanding of the material they read.

### **L.VI.4.3: A**

**Rationale:** A strong grasp of figurative language is essential for deep comprehension and effective communication. Figurative language enriches texts and allows for more expressive and vivid descriptions, enhancing the reader's engagement and imagination.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will be able to independently identify and interpret various types of figurative language. This skill will enhance their ability to appreciate and understand the deeper meanings and artistic qualities of literary works.

### **SL.ES.4.3**

**Rationale:** Identifying the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points is a critical listening and analytical skill. This ability helps students to understand the structure and strength of arguments, enhancing their critical thinking and comprehension. It enables them to discern between well-supported claims and unsupported opinions. Mastery of this skill is essential for academic success, as it applies to various subjects, including language arts, social studies, and science.

**Transfer Goals:** Students will cultivate a habit of critically evaluating the information they hear, a practice that will serve them throughout their lives. They will be equipped to navigate an information-rich world with discernment, making informed decisions based on sound reasoning and evidence.

## **Enduring Understandings**

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### **Listening and Speaking**

- Students will understand that asking and answering questions helps clarify understanding and enhances learning.
- Students will learn that paraphrasing information demonstrates comprehension, helps retain information, and communicate effectively with others.
- Students will develop the ability to identify reasons and evidence that a speaker uses to support their points this is crucial for critical thinking and informed decision-making.

### **Language Foundational Skills**

- Accurate and fluent reading supports overall comprehension.
- Decoding skills and word recognition strategies are essential for reading proficiency.
- Developing reading fluency allows for better engagement with texts.

### **Reading Domain**

- Students will understand that stories, dramas, and poems have underlying themes that can be identified through careful analysis of details in the text. They will recognize that summarizing helps them grasp the essence of a text and communicate its main ideas concisely.
- Students will understand that informational texts are structured around central ideas that are supported by key details. They will learn that summarizing helps them distill the essential information and present it clearly, enhancing their comprehension and communication skills.
- Students will understand that literature can be categorized into different genres, each with its unique characteristics and structures. They will recognize that poems, drama, and prose serve different purposes and convey meaning in distinct ways.
- Students will understand that informational texts are organized using various structures such as chronology, comparison, cause/effect, and problem/solution. Recognizing these structures helps students to better comprehend and retain information.

## **Essential Questions**

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- How can I paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally?
- How can I effectively engage in collaborative discussions with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing my own clearly?
- How can I understand the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative language such as metaphors and similes?
- How can I read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension?



	<p><b>the remarks of others. Review Reading L.RF.4.4: A-C (Come back to standard throughout trimester)</b></p> <p><b>Review Vocabulary L.KL.4.1:A (Come back to standard throughout trimester)</b></p> <p><b>New Reading RI.CI.4.2 (focus on author's purpose)</b></p>	<p>y and accurately. -I can use appropriate expressions and phrasing when reading aloud. -I can pause and reflect on what I have read to ensure I follow the text accurately. -I can use multiple strategies, such as breaking down the word into parts (prefixes, suffixes, roots), and using prior knowledge to understand new words.</p> <p>-I can interpret the author's purpose of an informational text. -I can cite details</p>	<p>ce for future activities. - Interactive Read Alouds . Read books aloud to the class and pause to discuss the author's purpose. Ask guiding questions and have students support their answers with evidence from the text. -Copy different short passages on index cards. Have students read each passage and place it under the correct category on the chart. This can be</p>		<p>peii, AD 79 by Lauren Tars his I Survived the Eruption of Mount St. Helens 1980 by Lauren Tars his</p>	<p>assess their understanding - vocabulary - fluency checks - <a href="#">Freckle Assignment - Volcanoes</a></p>											
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	<p><b>their meaning.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>By identifying the root and affix, I can predict the meaning of a new word.</b></li> <li>• <b>Use knowledge of common roots and affixes to expand my vocabulary and understand new words I encounter.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Reading RI.CI.4 .2 summarize informational text</b></p>	<p>use common Latin affixes as clues to the meaning of a word.</p> <p>-I can use my knowledge of common roots and affixes to expand my vocabulary and understand new words I encounter as I read.</p> <p>-I can summarize an informational text using key details.</p>	<p>Students will use the important information to write a non-fiction summary.</p> <p>- Students can read a story in pairs or groups to identify the key details and write a summary together to share with the class</p>	<p>g a summary</p> <p>F&amp;P Mini Lesson Book RML SAS. U2 RML 6 RML SAS. U1 RML1 -6 RML WAR. U5 RML 4 RML SAS. U5. RML2 -3</p>											
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<p style="text-align: center;">January 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Listening/ Speaking focus for January SL.II.4.2 Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally). Vocabulary L.KL.4.1: Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely New Reading RL.CI.4.2 (Focus of fiction summary)</p>	<p>-I can paraphrase portions of a text read aloud.</p> <p>-I can choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.</p> <p>-I can summarize a text, including key details.</p>	<p>Suggested Theme - Titanic</p> <p>-Write different sections of a story on strips of paper. Students work in groups to read the strips and then arrange them in the correct order. They then write a summary of the entire story based on the strips.</p> <p>- Provide student s with short passages or stories and challenge them to write a one-sentence summary for each.</p>	<p>F&amp;P Mini Lesson Book RML LA.U 9 RML1 -4 RML WAR. U5 RML 4 RML SAS. U5 RML 1</p>	<p>Story works <a href="#">Searching for the Titanic Rescue at Sea The Lost Ship Would You Sail on the (New) Titanic?</a></p> <p>I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic 1912 by Lauren Taruhis</p>	<p>Daily Check for Understanding - paraphrase text read -Write a quick summary of the text - vocabulary check</p>																										
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2	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reading RI.TS. 4.4 continued</b></p>	<p>-I can explain why an author might choose a particular text structure to organize their information. -Explain how the author's chosen structure helps them present information clearly and effectively. -I can use my understanding of text structure to comprehend and remember the information in a text. -I can explain how identifying the text structure helps me understand and the author's purpose and message.</p>	<p>Suggested Theme - Fire</p> <p>Activities -Divide students into groups, each group will be assigned a different text structure. Each group reads their passage and becomes "experts" on that structure. They then teach the rest of the class about their structure, using examples from the text. - Students can compare and contrast the text structures used</p>	<p>F&amp;P Mini Lesson Book RML LA.U 16. RML1-6</p> <p><a href="#">Text Structure Powerpoint</a></p> <p>Story works <a href="#">A Wildfire Changed My Life The Fascinating History of Fire The Fire Breather "This End of Chicago" The Great Chicago Fire of 1871 Our Beautiful Town Is Gone Out of the Flames Nature's Firefighter's</a></p>	<p>Daily Check for Understanding - identify the text structure of a text or a paragraph - Examples (1, 2, 3) Complex Cognitive Target - Compare and contrast the organizational structure of an informational text. Use specific examples from the texts to support your answer.</p>
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	<p><b>ulary</b> <b>L.VI.4.</b> <b>3:A</b></p>	<p>similes and metaphors in context.</p>	<p>read together. -During read-aloud sessions, read poems to the class and pause to discuss the elements used. Ask guiding questions to help students identify and analyze these elements. - Students search for specific poetry elements (e.g., rhyme, meter, similes, metaphors, alliteration) in a selection of poems. They mark their findings on a checkli</p>	<p>RML LA.U 10. RML 4</p>											
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	<p>theme</p>	<p>and theme mean. Summarizing involves stating the main points of the text concisely, while the theme is the central idea or message of the story.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modeling:</b> Read a short literary text aloud and model how to summarize it and identify its theme. Discuss key details that support the theme.</li> <li>• <b>Anchor Charts:</b> Create visual aids that outline steps for summarizing a text and identifying its theme, with examples.</li> <li>• <b>Independent Reading Projects:</b> Assign independent reading projects where students summarize a chosen text and analyze its theme, citing key details to support their interpretation.</li> </ul>
<p>Summarize an informational text and interpret the author’s purpose or main idea citing key details from the text.</p>	<p>Introduce the basic skills of summarizing informational texts and identifying the author’s purpose or main idea.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modeling:</b> Read a short informational text aloud and model how to summarize it and identify the author’s purpose or main idea. Highlight key details that support the main idea.</li> <li>• <b>Anchor Charts:</b></li> </ul>

		<p>Create visual aids that outline steps for summarizing informational texts and identifying the main idea or author’s purpose, with examples.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Main Idea Practice:</b> Assign passages where students practice summarizing and then identify the author’s purpose, using a checklist of key elements (main idea, supporting details).</li> <li>• <b>Author’s Purpose Exploration:</b> Provide texts with different purposes (e.g., to inform, persuade, entertain) and have students analyze how the purpose influences the text’s content and structure.</li> </ul>
<p>Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.</p>	<p>Introduce the basic concepts of poems, drama, and prose, and their structural elements.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Structural Elements Introduction:</b> Explain key structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions).</li> <li>• <b>Modeling:</b> Read examples of poems, drama, and prose aloud.</li> </ul>

		<p>Highlight and discuss their structural elements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Guided Practice:</b> Work with students in small groups to identify and discuss the structural elements in different poems, drama, and prose texts. Provide immediate feedback.</li> <li>• <b>Graphic Organizers:</b> Use comparison charts and Venn diagrams to help students identify and contrast the structural elements of poems, drama, and prose.</li> <li>• <b>Writing Assignments:</b> Have students write their own poems, short dramas, and prose pieces, incorporating the structural elements they've learned.</li> </ul>
<p>Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.</p>	<p>Introduce the basic types of text structures: chronology, comparison, cause/effect, and problem/solution.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Definition and Examples:</b> Define each text structure with clear, simple explanations. Provide examples of texts that use each structure.</li> <li>• <b>Modeling:</b> Read examples of texts using different structures. Highlight and discuss how the</li> </ul>

		<p>structure organizes the information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Anchor Charts:</b> Create visual aids outlining the characteristics of each text structure with examples.</li> <li>• <b>Text Structure Practice:</b> Assign texts that exemplify each structure. Have students practice identifying and describing the structure in their reading.</li> <li>• <b>Close Reading:</b> Engage in close reading of longer or more complex texts. Have students identify the structure and analyze how it helps to organize and convey the information.</li> <li>• <b>Comparative Analysis:</b> Provide texts with different structures on similar topics. Have students compare how each structure affects the presentation of information.</li> </ul>
<p>Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, simple similes, and metaphors.</p>	<p>Introduce the concepts of figurative language, similes, and metaphors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modeling:</b> Read examples of texts with similes and metaphors aloud. Highlight and discuss the figurative language used.</li> <li>• <b>Anchor Charts:</b> Create visual aids</li> </ul>

		<p>that define and provide examples of figurative language, similes, and metaphors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interactive Read-Alouds:</b> Read aloud texts that include similes and metaphors. Pause to discuss and analyze the figurative language.</li> <li>• <b>Figurative Language Practice:</b> Provide texts with multiple examples of figurative language. Have students identify and interpret the meaning of each example.</li> </ul>

**Career Awareness, Exploration, Preparation, and Training**

- CRP.K-12.CRP1.1 Career-ready individuals understand the obligations and responsibilities of being a member of a community, and they demonstrate this understanding every day through their interactions with others. They are conscientious of the impacts of their decisions on others and the environment around them. They think about the near-term and long-term consequences of their actions and seek to act in ways that contribute to the betterment of their teams, families, community and workplace. They are reliable and consistent in going beyond the minimum expectation and in participating in activities that serve the greater good.
- CRP.K-12.CRP2.1 Career-ready individuals readily access and use the knowledge and skills acquired through experience and education to be more productive. They make connections between abstract concepts with real-world applications, and they make correct insights about when it is appropriate to apply the use of an academic skill in a workplace situation.
- CRP.K-12.CRP4.1 Career-ready individuals communicate thoughts, ideas, and action plans with clarity, whether using written, verbal, and/or visual methods. They communicate in the workplace with clarity and purpose to make maximum use of their own and others’ time. They are excellent writers; they master conventions, word choice, and organization, and use effective tone and presentation skills to articulate ideas. They are skilled at interacting with others; they are active listeners and speak clearly and with purpose. Career-ready

individuals think about the audience for their communication and prepare accordingly to ensure the desired outcome.

CRP.K-12.CRP6.1

Career-ready individuals regularly think of ideas that solve problems in new and different ways, and they contribute those ideas in a useful and productive manner to improve their organization. They can consider unconventional ideas and suggestions as solutions to issues, tasks or problems, and they discern which ideas and suggestions will add greatest value. They seek new methods, practices, and ideas from a variety of sources and seek to apply those ideas to their own workplace. They take action on their ideas and understand how to bring innovation to an organization.

CRP.K-12.CRP8.1

Career-ready individuals readily recognize problems in the workplace, understand the nature of the problem, and devise effective plans to solve the problem. They are aware of problems when they occur and take action quickly to address the problem; they thoughtfully investigate the root cause of the problem prior to introducing solutions. They carefully consider the options to solve the problem. Once a solution is agreed upon, they follow through to ensure the problem is solved, whether through their own actions or the actions of others.

## Life Literacies & Key Skills

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TECH.9.4.5.CI.1

Use appropriate communication technologies to collaborate with individuals with diverse perspectives about a local and/or global climate change issue and deliberate about possible solutions (e.g., W.4.6, 3.MD.B.3,7.1.NM.IPERS.6).

TECH.9.4.5.CI.3

Participate in a brainstorming session with individuals with diverse perspectives to expand one's thinking about a topic of curiosity (e.g., 8.2.5.ED.2, 1.5.5.CR1a).

TECH.9.4.5.CT.4

Apply critical thinking and problem-solving strategies to different types of problems such as personal, academic, community and global (e.g., 6.1.5.CivicsCM.3).

TECH.9.4.5.GCA.1

Analyze how culture shapes individual and community perspectives and points of view (e.g., 1.1.5.C2a, RL.5.9, 6.1.5.HistoryCC.8).

TECH.9.4.5.IML.4

Determine the impact of implicit and explicit media messages on individuals, groups, and society as a whole.

## Interdisciplinary Connections

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SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPD.3

Explain how and why it is important that people from diverse cultures collaborate to find solutions to community, state, national, and global challenges.

SOC.6.1.5.CivicsDP.1

Using evidence, explain how the core civic virtues and democratic principles impact the decisions made at the local, state, and national government (e.g., fairness, equality, common good).

SOC.6.1.5.CivicsDP.2

Compare and contrast responses of individuals and groups, past and present, to violations of fundamental rights (e.g., fairness, civil rights, human rights).

SOC.6.1.5.CivicsHR.1

Describe how fundamental rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights contribute to the improvement of American democracy (i.e., freedom of expression, freedom of religion, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly, freedom of petition, the right to vote, and the right to due process).

SOC.6.1.5.CivicsHR.2

Research and cite evidence for how the actions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and other historical civil rights leaders served as catalysts for social change, inspired social activism in subsequent generations.

SOC.6.1.5.CivicsCM.1

Use a variety of sources to describe the characteristics exhibited by real and fictional

	people that contribute(d) to the well-being of their community and country.
SOC.6.1.5.GeoGl.1	Use multiple sources to evaluate the impact of the movement of people from place to place on individuals, communities, and regions.
SOC.6.1.5.GeoGl.4	Explain how cultural and environmental characteristics affect the distribution and movement of people, goods, and ideas.
SOC.6.1.5.EconET.1	Identify positive and negative incentives that influence the decisions people make.
SCI.4.LS1.A	Structure and Function
SCI.4-LS1-2	Use a model to describe that animals receive different types of information through their senses, process the information in their brain, and respond to the information in different ways.
SCI.4-ESS1	Earth's Place in the Universe
SCI.4.ESS2.E	Biogeology
SOC.6.1.5.HistoryCC.14	Compare the practice of slavery and indentured servitude in Colonial labor systems.
SCI.4.ESS2.B	Plate Tectonics and Large-Scale System Interactions
SCI.4-ESS3-1	Obtain and combine information to describe that energy and fuels are derived from natural resources and their uses affect the environment.
SCI.4.ESS3.B	Natural Hazards
SCI.4.ETS1.B	Developing Possible Solutions