

# Grade 3

## Language Domain

### Foundational Skills: Reading Language

#### 3 Phonics and Word Recognition

3. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding and encoding words. **L.RF.3.3**

**A** Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes. **L.RF.3.3.A**

**B** Decode words with common Latin suffixes. **L.RF.3.3.B**

**C** Decode multisyllable words. **L.RF.3.3.C**

**D** Read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words. **L.RF.3.3.D**

**E** Analyze the parts of high-frequency words that are regular and the parts that are irregular. **L.RF.3.3.E**

#### 4 Fluency

4. Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension. **L.RF.3.4**

**A** Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding. **L.RF.3.4.A**

**B** Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression. **L.RF.3.4.B**

**C** Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary. **L.RF.3.4.C**

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## Foundational Skills: Writing Language

### 2 Spelling

2. Demonstrate command of the conventions of encoding and spelling. **L.WF.3.2**
  - A Spell single syllable words with less common and complex graphemes (ough, augh; -old, -ind, -ost, -ild families). **L.WF.3.2.A**
  - B Use digital or print tools such as a dictionary or thesaurus to check spellings of unknown words. **L.WF.3.2.B**
  - C Identify language of word origin, as noted in dictionaries. **L.WF.3.2.C**
  - D Spell singular and plural possessives (teacher's; teachers') **L.WF.3.2.D**
  - E Change y to i (cried) in words with suffixes, when required **L.WF.3.2.E**
  - F Spell regular two- and three-syllable words that:
    - i. Combine all basic syllable types: closed, VCe, open, vowel team, vowel -r, Consonant-le.
    - ii. Include common, transparent, prefixes and suffixes (e.g., re-, pre-, sub-, un-, dis-, mis-, -able, -ness, -ful) and suffix -tion. **L.WF.3.2.F**
  - G Spell common words in English, including regular and irregular forms. **L.WF.3.2.G**

### 3 Sentence Composition (Grammar, Syntax, and Punctuation)

3. Demonstrate command of the conventions of writing including those listed under grade two foundational skills. **L.WF.3.3**
  - A Improve communication of meaning by replacing weak verbs with stronger ones, and common nouns with precise nouns. **L.WF.3.3.A**
  - B Capitalize appropriate words in titles. **L.WF.3.3.B**
  - C Choose and maintain consistency of tense, writing nouns and verbs that agree in tense. **L.WF.3.3.C**
  - D Use common regular and irregular plural forms, writing nouns and verbs that agree in number. **L.WF.3.3.D**
  - E Use appropriate pronouns with clear referents. **L.WF.3.3.E**
  - F Use periods, question marks, exclamation points, commas, apostrophes, and quotation marks appropriately. (e.g., commas and quotation marks in dialogue, and commas in addresses). **L.WF.3.3.F**
  - G Combine simple sentences into compound sentences, using conjunctions and, but, or, yet, and so. **L.WF.3.3.G**
  - H Paraphrase a main idea or event in order to vary sentence structure and word use. **L.WF.3.3.H**
  - I Organize ideas into paragraphs with main ideas and supporting details. **L.WF.3.3.I**
1. Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. **L.KL.3.1**

- A Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases. [L.KL.3.1.A](#)
  - B Choose words and phrases for effect. [L.KL.3.1.B](#)
  - C Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written English. [L.KL.3.1.C](#)
2. Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning academic and domain-specific words and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. [L.VL.3.2](#)
- A Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. [L.VL.3.2.A](#)
  - B Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat). [L.VL.3.2.B](#)
  - C Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion). [L.VL.3.2.C](#)
  - D Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases. [L.VL.3.2.D](#)
3. Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings. [L.VI.3.3](#)
- A Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps). [L.VI.3.3.A](#)
  - B Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful). [L.VI.3.3.B](#)
  - C Distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered). [L.VI.3.3.C](#)

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Write opinion texts to present an idea with reasons and information. **W.AW.3.1**

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**A** Introduce an opinion clearly. **W.AW.3.1.A**

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**B** Support the opinion with facts, definitions, reasons text evidence, or other information and examples related to the topic. **W.AW.3.1.B**

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**C** Link ideas within sections of information using transition words and phrases (e.g., then, because, also, therefore, since, for example) to connect opinion and reasons. **W.AW.3.1.C**

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**D** Provide a conclusion related to the opinion presented. **W.AW.3.1.D**

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Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly. [W.IW.3.2](#)

- A** Introduce a topic clearly. [W.IW.3.2.A](#)
- B** Develop the topic with facts, definitions, and concrete details, text evidence, or other information and examples related to the topic. [W.IW.3.2.B](#)
- C** Include text features (e.g.: illustrations, diagrams, captions) when useful to support comprehension. [W.IW.3.2.C](#)
- D** Link ideas within sections of information using transition words and phrases (e.g., then, because, also, another, therefore). [W.IW.3.2.D](#)
- E** Provide a conclusion related to the information or explanation presented. [W.IW.3.2.E](#)

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events with basic story elements. [W.NW.3.3](#)

- A** Orient the reader by establishing a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters; clearly organize an event sequence. [W.NW.3.3.A](#)
- B** Use dialogue and description to develop experiences and events or show the responses of characters to situations. [W.NW.3.3.B](#)
- C** Use transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events. [W.NW.3.3.C](#)
- D** Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events. [W.NW.3.3.D](#)
- E** Provide a conclusion or sense of closure that follows the narrated experiences or events. [W.NW.3.3.E](#)

With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. [W.WP.3.4](#)

- A** Identify audience, purpose, and intended length of composition before writing. [W.WP.3.4.A](#)
- B** Consider writing as a process, including self-evaluation, revision and editing. [W.WP.3.4.B](#)
- C** With adult and peer feedback, and digital or print tools such as a dictionary, thesaurus, and/or spell checker, find and correct errors and improve word choice. [W.WP.3.4.C](#)

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Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. [SL.PE.3.1](#)

**A** Explicitly draw on previously read text or material and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. [SL.PE.3.1.A](#)

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**B** Follow agreed-upon norms for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). [SL.PE.3.1.B](#)

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**C** Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others. [SL.PE.3.1.C](#)

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**D** Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion. [SL.PE.3.1.D](#)

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Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally. [SL.II.3.2](#)

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