# **Georgia Performance Standards**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS** 

#### **GRADE 3**

**ELA3W1:** The student demonstrates competency in the writing process.

**ELA3W2:** The student writes in a variety of genres, including narrative, informational, persuasive, and response to literature. **ELA3LSV1:** The student uses oral and visual strategies to communicate.

#### **GRADE 4**

**ELA4W1:** The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.

**ELA4W2:** The student demonstrates competence in a variety of

**ELA4LSV1:** The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions. **GRADE 5** 

**ELA5W1:** The student produces writing that establishes an appropriate organizational structure, sets a context and engages the reader, maintains a coherent focus throughout, and signals a satisfying closure.

**ELA5W2:** The student demonstrates competence in a variety of

**ELA5LSV1:** The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions. **VISUAL ARTS** 

### **GRADE 3**

VA3MC.1: Engages in the creative process to generate and visualize ideas.

VA3PR.2: Understands and applies media, techniques, and processes of two-dimensional art processes (drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed-media) using tools and materials in a safe and appropriate manner to develop skills.

VA3C.2: Develops life skills through the study and production of

#### **GRADE 4**

VA4PR.2: Understands and applies media, techniques, and processes of two-dimensional art processes (drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed-media) using tools and materials in a safe and appropriate manner to develop skills.

VA4C.2: Develops life skills through the study and production of

#### **GRADE 5**

VA5PR.1: Creates artworks based on personal experience and selected themes.

**VA5PR.2:** Understands and applies media, techniques, and processes of two-dimensional art processes (drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed-media) using tools and materials in a safe and appropriate manner to develop skills.

VA5C.2: Develops life skills through the study and production of

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# **National Standards**

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**

NL-ENG.K-12.4: Students adjust their use of spoken, written, and visual language (e.g., conventions, style, vocabulary) to communicate effectively with a variety of audiences and for different purposes.

NL-ENG.K-12.5: Students employ a wide range of strategies as they write and use different writing process elements appropriately to communicate with different audiences for a variety of purposes.

NL-ENG.K-12.6: Students apply knowledge of language structure, language conventions (e.g., spelling and punctuation), media techniques, figurative language, and genre to create, critique, and discuss print and non-print texts. NL-ENG.K-12.12: Students use spoken, written, and visual language to accomplish their own purposes (e.g., for learning, enjoyment, persuasion, and the exchange of information). **VISUAL ARTS** 

Standard 1: Understanding and applying media, techniques, and processes

Standard 2: Using knowledge of structures and functions Standard 6: Making connections between visual arts and other disciplines

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Feaching and Learning Across the Curriculum

**GRADES 3 - 5 Curriculum Guide** 

**Adventure Island** 

Sequence • Narrative • Storytelling • Illustration • Map





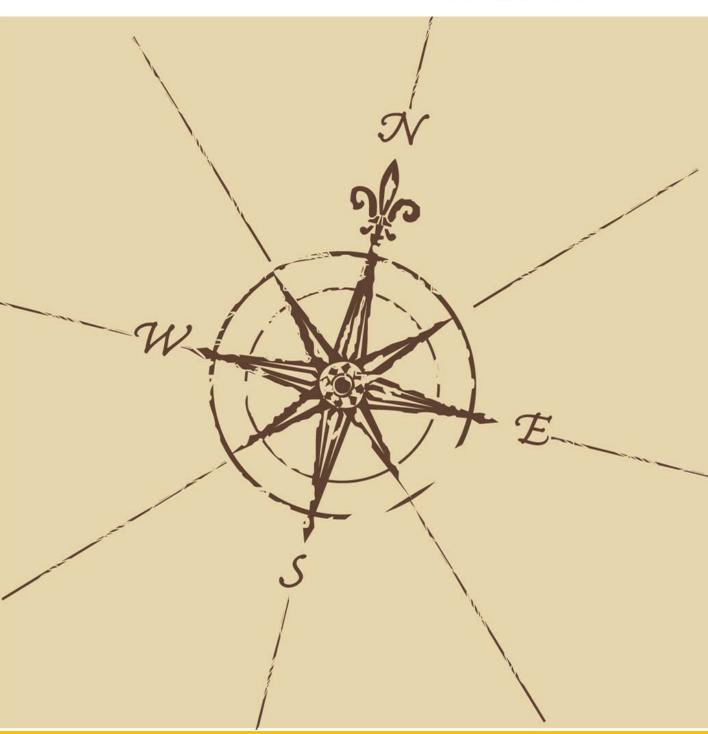












Spark creative writing by making a map!





## **Adventure Island**

Discover the possibilities of creative writing by making visual imagery that will inspire your students in new and exciting ways! The idea of a treasure map has long been a topic of excitement for young people. Allow your students to generate their own map and inspire a creative writing session!

**Essential Question: How can the creation of visual imagery be the** catalyst for creative writing?

#### **Process**

- Begin by playing a musical excerpt from "Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark". While the music is playing, ask students to write down adjectives to describe what they are hearing.
- Once they have shared some of these words, tell students they are going to be using their imaginations to create their own treasure maps!
- Begin by collectively looking at some examples of treasure maps, then generate a list of possible features and symbols to use on their maps to describe their adventures.
- After they have generated a list of at least eight symbols, pass out their pre-treated map paper (thick paper that has been stained with tea) for their final designs. (This map could include a winding river, shadowy forest, creepy castle, scary rocks, soft sand, and shiny treasure.)
- Next, allow students to draw the features they wish to include onto their final pre-stained papers. This can be done with pencils and extra fine point Sharpie markers before being colored in with markers or watercolor paint.
- Ask students to think about the placement and scale of the items as they sketch their own map.
- Last, a wind rose compass design can be generated to guide adventurers to the island. The maps can then be rolled and tied with string or
- Ask students to generate written narratives describing the treasure map they have just created and share with their peers!

#### Assessment

- Students' Adventure Island Maps must include a minimum of eight
- Student maps should include elements of a map such as: compass rose, title, and labels.
- Students' writing must use descriptive language and include three to five paragraphs.
- Students' writing must be free of grammatical errors and be based on the aforementioned Adventure Island Maps!

#### **ESOL Modifications and Adaptations**

Preview vocabulary: narrative, illustration, and map. Have students work with a partner. The length of the written narrative will need to be modified according to the student's language level.

#### **ESOL** Assessments

Same as lesson, depending on students' language level. Adjust the length and number of paragraphs required from students as needed. Students may need to use inventive spelling in their writing.

#### **Materials**

- 12" x 12" watercolor paper
- templates used for tracing
- fine point sharpies
- colored markers or watercolor paints and brushes
- wind rose compass designs
- Elmer's glue
- twine or string

#### Vocabulary

#### Narrative

A story or sequence of events and experiences

#### Illustration

Visual imagery used to accompany or clarify text

A plan or outline of a given geographic area

#### **Gifted Modifications and Extensions**

Students will use quadrant graph paper to create their maps. Depending on grade level, students may use quadrant I (+,+) or all 4 quadrants (includes positive and negative coordinates). Students will create a key that labels at least 5 points on the map using (X,Y) coordinate points. During the writing process, students will brainstorm a variety of descriptive language that can be turned into similes and metaphors to explain the objects on their maps. They will incorporate these into their final writing.

#### **Gifted Assessments**

Students' maps must include at least 5 features that have correctly labeled (X,Y) coordinates. Students' writing should include at least one simile and one metaphor.

#### **Special Education Modifications and Adaptations**

Provide the students with a list of adjectives to choose from while listening to the Indiana Jones music and a sample pool of map symbols and features to choose from to generate their maps. The students will then be shown an example of a written narrative of an adventure map before they begin writing their own descriptive narratives.

#### **Special Education Assessments**

Students' maps must include 4-6 separate items.

Students' writing must include descriptive language and a minimum of 2 paragraphs consisting of 3-5 sentences each. Students' writing must be related to the Adventure Island maps.

# **Common Core Georgia Performance Standards**

(CCGPS implementation year 1: 2012-2013) **ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS** 

#### **GRADE 3**

**ELACC3W2:** Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

**ELACC3W3:** Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences

**ELACC3W4:** With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to WIDA English Language

ELACC3L1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. **GRADE 4** 

#### **ELACC4W2:** Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

**ELACC4W3:** Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

**ELACC4W4:** Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and

ELACC4L1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

#### **GRADE 5**

**ELACC5W2:** Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

**ELACC5W3:** Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

**ELACC5W4:** Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

**ELACC5L1:** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

# **Proficiency Standards**

Standard 1: English language learners communicate for social and instructional purposes within the school setting.

Standard 2: English language learners communicate information, ideas, and concepts necessary for academic success in the content area of Language Arts.

Standard 5: English language learners communicate information, ideas, and concepts necessary for academic success

in the content area of Social Studies.