

NoRedInk and Iowa Standards Map

Grades 7–8

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Standards Addressed in Quick Writes

W.7–8.10

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

Standards Addressed in Guided Drafts

W.7–8.4

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

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Persuasive

W.7–8.1

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W.7–8.1.B Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.

W.7.1.C Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), reasons, and evidence.

W.8.1.C Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.

W.7–8.1.D Establish and maintain a formal style.

W.7–8.1.E Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

W.7–8.9

Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

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Argumentative

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Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

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Expository/Informational

W.7–8.2

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

W.7.2.A Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

W.8.2.A Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

W.7–8.2.B Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

W.7–8.2.C Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.

W.7–8.2.E Establish and maintain a formal style.

W.7–8.2.F Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

W.7–8.8

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Narrative

W.7–8.3

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.

W.7–8.3.A Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.

W.7.3.B Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

W.8.3.B Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

W.7.3.C Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another.

W.8.3.C Use a variety of transition words, phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.

W.7–8.3.D Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.

W.7–8.3.E Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.

Standards Addressed in Self Reviews

W.7–8.5

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Thesis Statement

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Introductory Paragraph

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Topic Sentences

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Body Paragraph: Embedding Evidence

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Standards Addressed in Writing Pathways

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Body Paragraphs: Embedding Evidence

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Body Paragraphs: Transition Words and Phrases

W.7–8.1.C

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Conclusion Paragraphs

W.7–8.1.E

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Counterargument Paragraphs

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Embedding Evidence: Avoiding Plagiarism & Using Citations

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Embedding Evidence: Providing Strong Context for Evidence

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Thesis Statements

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Standards Addressed in Grammar & Conventions Pathways

Active and Passive Voice

L.8.1.B

Form and use verbs in the active and passive voice.

L.8.1.D

Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb voice and mood.

Building Compound and Complex Sentences

L.7.1.B

Choose among simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.

Commas for Clarity

L.7.2.A

Use a comma to separate coordinate adjectives (e.g., *It was a fascinating, enjoyable movie* but not *He wore an old[,] green shirt*).

L.8.2.A

Use punctuation (comma, ellipsis, dash) to indicate a pause or break.

Misplaced and Dangling Modifiers

L.7.1.C

Place phrases and clauses within a sentence, recognizing and correcting misplaced and dangling modifiers.

Phrases and Dependent Clauses

L.7.1.B

Choose among simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.

Punctuation with Conjunctions: Subordinating (SWABIs)

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Restrictive and Nonrestrictive Clauses

L.8.2.A

Use punctuation (comma, ellipsis, dash) to indicate a pause or break.

Verbals

L.8.1.A

Explain the function of verbals (gerunds, participles, infinitives) in general and their function in particular sentences.



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