## LANGUAGE ARTS

## Reading – Comprehension (Focus on Informational Materials)

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Structural Features of Informational Materials	Structural Features of Informational     Materials	Structural Features of Informational     Materials
6.1.1 identify and use the structural features of, and differences among, newspapers, magazines and editorials (print and broadcast) to gain meaning from text	7.1.1 understand and analyze the differences among various categories of informational materials (e.g., textbooks, newspapers, instructional manuals, signs) in terms of their structure and purpose	8.1.1 compare and contrast the features and elements of consumer materials (e.g., warranties, contracts, product information and instructional manuals) to gain meaning from text
2. Comprehension & Analysis of Grade Level Appropriate Text	2. Comprehension & Analysis of Grade Level Appropriate Text	2. Comprehension & Analysis of Grade Level Appropriate Text
6.2.1 connect and clarify main ideas and concepts and identify their relationship to other sources and related topics	7.2.1 identify and trace the development of an author's argument, point of view or perspective in text	8.2.1 find similarities and differences among texts in the treatment, scope or organization of ideas
6.2.2 use strategies to clarify meaning such as notetaking, outlining, summarizing and writing a report  6.2.3 make and support warranted and		8.2.2 compare original text to a summary for accuracy of the main ideas, inclusion of critical details, and the extent to which it conveys the underlying meaning of the original
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responsible assertions about text with elaborated and convincing textual evidence		8.2.3 assess the adequacy, accuracy and appropriateness of an author's details to support claims and assertions, noting instances of bias and stereotyping (e.g., facts, illustrations, anecdotes, quotations and imagery)
3. Expository Critique	3. Expository Critique	3. Expository Critique
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