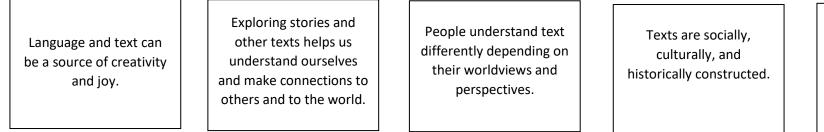
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 8

BIG IDEAS



Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing) Access information and ideas for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources and evaluate their relevance, accuracy, and reliability Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, and visual texts, guide inquiry, and extend thinking Synthesize ideas from a variety of sources to build understanding Recognize and appreciate how different features, forms, and genres of texts reflect different purposes, audiences, and messages Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond texts Recognize and identify the role of personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and perspectives in texts Recognize how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identity Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways Recognize how literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape meaning Recognize an increasing range of text structures and how they contribute to 	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing) - Exchange ideas and viewpoints to build shared understanding and extend thinking - Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging and meaningful literary and informational texts for a variety of purposes and audiences - Assess and refine texts to improve their clarity, effectiveness, and impact according to purpose, audience, and message - Use an increasing repertoire of conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation - Use and experiment with oral storytelling processes - Select and use appropriate features, forms, and genres according to audience, purpose, and message - Transform ideas and information to create original texts
 Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view Develop an awareness of the protocols and ownership associated with First Peoples texts 	

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 9

BIG IDEAS

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Language and text c be a source of creativ and joy.		Exploring stories and other texts helps us understand ourselves and make connections to others and to the world.	People understand text differently depending on their worldviews and perspectives.		Texts are socially, culturally, and historically constructed.		Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.
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Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Access information and ideas for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources and	- Exchange ideas and viewpoints to build shared understanding and
evaluate their relevance, accuracy, and reliability	extend thinking
- Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, and visual texts, guide	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create
inquiry, and extend thinking	engaging and meaningful literary and informational texts for a
- Synthesize ideas from a variety of sources to build understanding	variety of purposes and audiences
- Recognize and appreciate how different features, forms, and genres of texts reflect	- Assess and refine texts to improve their clarity, effectiveness, and
different purposes, audiences, and messages	impact according to purpose, audience, and message
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond	- Use an increasing repertoire of conventions of Canadian spelling,
texts	grammar, and punctuation
- Recognize and identify the role of personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and	- Use and experiment with oral storytelling processes
perspectives in texts	- Select and use appropriate features, forms, and genres according
- Recognize how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identity	to audience, purpose, and message
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts
- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways	- Express an opinion and support is with credible evidence
- Explain how literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape meaning	
- Recognize an increasing range of text structures and how they contribute to meaning	
- Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing	
First Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	
- Develop an awareness of the protocols and ownership associated with First Peoples	
texts	
- Recognize the influence of place in First Peoples and other Canadian texts	

COMPOSITION 10

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Engagement with writing processes can support creativity and enhance clarity of expression.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to build
expressing First Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	shared understanding and extend thinking
- Recognize and appreciate the diversity within and across First Peoples	- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways
societies as represented in texts	- Assess and refine texts to improve clarity and impact
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and informal
inform writing	contexts for a range of purposes
- Explore the relevance, accuracy, and reliability of texts	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging and
- Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, visual, and	meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
multimodal texts	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
- Recognize and appreciate how different forms, formats, structures, and	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
features of texts enhance and shape meaning and impact	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between,	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property rights
and beyond texts	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts
- Explore how language constructs personal and cultural identities	
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	
- Identify bias, contradictions, and distortions	

CREATIVE WRITING 10

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Creative writers take risks and persevere.

Creative writers are observant of the world.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to build
expressing First Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	shared understanding and extend thinking
- Recognize the diversity within and across First Peoples societies as	- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways
represented in texts	- Assess and refine texts to improve clarity and impact
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and informal
inform writing	contexts for a range of purposes
- Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, visual, and	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging and
multimodal texts	meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
- Recognize and appreciate how different forms, formats, structures, and	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
features of texts enhance and shape meaning and impact	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between,	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
and beyond texts	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property rights
- Explore how language constructs personal and cultural identities	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	
- Identify bias, contradictions, and distortions	

LITERARY STUDIES 10

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text				
and story deepens our				
understanding of				
diverse, complex ideas				
about identity, others,				
and the world.				

People understand text differently depending on their world views and perspectives.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.

NEW MEDIA 10

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

People understand text differently depending on their world views and perspectives.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Digital citizens have rights and responsibilities in an increasingly globalized society.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Recognize the complexities of digital citizenship	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to build
- Read for enjoyment and to achieve personal goals	shared understanding and extend thinking
- Explore the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First	- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways
Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	- Assess and refine texts to improve clarity and impact
- Explore diversity among First Peoples cultures, as represented in new media	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and informal
and other texts	contexts for a range of purposes
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging and
inform writing	meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
- Explore the relevance, accuracy, and reliability of texts	- Use digital media to collaborate and communicate both within the classroom
- Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, visual, and	and beyond its walls
multimodal texts	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
- Recognize and appreciate how different forms, formats, structures, and	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
features of texts enhance and shape meaning and impact	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between,	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property rights
and beyond texts	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts
- Explore how language constructs personal and social identities	
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	
- Identify bias, contradictions, and distortions	

SPOKEN LANGUAGE 10

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

People understand text differently depending on their world views and perspectives.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Voice is powerful and evocative.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to build
expressing First Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	shared understanding and extend thinking
- Recognize and appreciate the diversity among First Peoples cultures, as	- Assess and refine texts to improve clarity and impact
represented in oral and other texts	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and informal
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to	contexts for a range of purposes
inform writing	- Explore appropriate spoken language formats for intended purposes
- Apply appropriate strategies to comprehend written, oral, visual, and	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create spoken language
multimodal texts	and other texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
- Recognize and appreciate how different forms, formats, structures, and	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
features of texts enhance and shape meaning and impact	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between,	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
and beyond texts	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property rights
- Explore the role of personal and social contexts, values, and perspectives in	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts
texts	
- Explore how language constructs personal and cultural identities	
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	
- Identify bias, contradictions, and distortions	

COMPOSITION 11

BIG IDEAS

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Language shapes ideas and influences others.	Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our abilit to be educated and engaged citizens.	ty Pe	eople are empowered by being able to mmunicate effectively.	writ sup	ngagement with ting processes can port creativity and nhance clarity of expression.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Read for enjoyment and to achieve personal goals	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to
- Recognize and understand the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First	build shared understandings and extend thinking
Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways
- Recognize and understand the diversity within and across First Peoples societies, as represented	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and
in texts	informal contexts for a range of purposes
- Understand the influence of land/place in First Peoples and other Canadian texts	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to inform writing	and meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
- Evaluate the relevance, accuracy, and reliability of texts	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
- Apply appropriate strategies in a variety of contexts to comprehend written, oral, visual, and	- Reflect on, assess, and refine texts to improve clarity, effectiveness, and
multimodal texts, to guide inquiry, and to extend thinking	impact
- Recognize and understand how different forms, formats, structures, and features of texts	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
enhance and shape meaning and impact	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond texts	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property
- Recognize and identify the role of personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and	rights
perspectives in texts	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts, using various
- Recognize and understand how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identities	genres, forms, structures, and styles
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	- Experiment with genres, forms, or styles of creative and communicative
- Evaluate how text structures, literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape	texts
meaning and impact	
- Identify bias, contradictions, distortions, and omissions	

CREATIVE WRITING 11

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.	Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.	Language shapes ideas and influences others.	Creative writers take risks and persevere.	Creative writers are observant of the world.	Writers write for authentic audiences and real-world purposes.
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Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
- Read for enjoyment and to achieve personal goals	- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectives to
- Recognize and understand the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First	build shared understandings and extend thinking
Peoples perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view	- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways
- Recognize and understand the diversity within and across First Peoples societies as represented	- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal and
in texts	informal contexts for a range of purposes
- Understand the influence of land/place in First Peoples and other Canadian texts	- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create engaging
- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to inform writing	and meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences
- Recognize and understand how different forms, formats, structures, and features of texts reflect	- Express and support an opinion with evidence
a variety of purposes, audiences, and messages	- Reflect on, assess, and refine texts to improve clarity, effectiveness, and
- Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond texts	impact
- Recognize and identify the role of personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and	- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation
perspectives in texts	proficiently and as appropriate to the context
- Recognize and understand how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identities	- Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property
- Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world	rights
- Evaluate how text structures, literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape	- Transform ideas and information to create original texts, using various
meaning and impact	genres, forms, structures, and styles
- Recognize an increasing range of text structures and understand how they contribute to	- Manipulate language purposefully
meaning	
- Identify bias, contradictions, distortions, and omissions	

LITERARY STUDIES 11

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

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Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.

Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)
Comprehend and connect (reading, listening, viewing)- Read for enjoyment and to achieve personal goals- Recognize and understand the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First Peoplesperspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view- Recognize and understand the diversity within and across First Peoples societies as represented intexts- Understand the influence of land/place in First Peoples and other Canadian texts- Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources- Evaluate the relevance, accuracy, and reliability of texts- Apply appropriate strategies in a variety of contexts to comprehend written, oral, visual, and multimodal texts, to guide inquiry, and to extend thinking- Recognize and understand how different forms, formats, structures, and features of texts enhance and shape meaning and impact	Create and communicate (writing, speaking, representing)- Respectfully exchange ideas and viewpoints from diverse perspectivesto build shared understandings and extend thinking- Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways- Demonstrate speaking and listening skills in a variety of formal andinformal contexts for a range of purposes- Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and createengaging and meaningful texts for a variety of purposes and audiences- Express and support an opinion with evidence- Reflect on, assess, and refine texts to improve clarity, effectiveness,and impact- Use the conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuationproficiently and as appropriate to the context
 Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond texts Recognize and understand personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and perspectives in texts, including culture, gender, sexual orientation, and socio-economic factors Recognize and understand how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identities Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world Evaluate how text structures, literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape meaning and impact Discern nuances in the meanings of words, considering social, political, historical, and literary contexts Identify bias, contradictions, distortions, and omissions 	 Use acknowledgements and citations to recognize intellectual property rights Transform ideas and information to create original texts, using various genres, forms, structures, and styles

NEW MEDIA 11

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.

People understand text differently depending on their world views and perspectives.

Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.

Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Digital citizenship requires both knowledge of digital technology and awareness of its impact on individuals and society.

SPOKEN LANGUAGE 11

BIG IDEAS

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Language shapes ideas and influences others.

Voice is powerful and evocative.

ENGLISH STUDIES 12

BIG IDEAS

The exploration of text and story deepens our understanding of diverse, complex ideas about identity, others, and the world.	People understand text differently depending on their world views and perspectives.	Texts are socially, culturally, geographically, and historically constructed.	Language shapes ideas and influences others.	Questioning what we hear, read, and view contributes to our ability to be educated and engaged citizens.	The examination of First Peoples cultures and lived experiences through text builds understanding of Canadians' responsibilities in relation to Reconciliation.
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