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Founded in 2007, Great Minds PBC has evolved from an education advocacy start-up to a respected curriculum developer providing the highest-quality materials and professional development to schools and districts nationwide. In pursuit of its goal of raising expectations for every student, Great Minds© enlists educators to write curricula based on proven learning strategies to reward students' natural curiosity, build knowledge, and cultivate lifelong critical-thinking skills. Writing teams collaborate to ensure a consistent structure and vision for learning within and across all grade levels. We are pleased to bring you our newest kindergarten through grade level 8 English language arts (ELA) offering, *Arts & Letters*™.

*Arts & Letters* students engage with high-quality texts to explore science and social studies topics, literature, and fine art. By studying topics in depth, students build knowledge of the lived experiences of others and learn how a deeper knowledge of those experiences can change the world. The text-based lessons build strong readers, writers, and communicators through effective use

of grammar and vocabulary. All students read and discuss grade-level texts, and the curriculum provides guidance for supporting all learners at key moments in the lessons.

There are four topic-driven modules for each grade level in *Arts & Letters*. The modules last between six and eight weeks and contain approximately 40 lessons. The core of each module is a selection of literary works, informational texts, and visual art. All modules integrate reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language instruction.

*Arts & Letters* was intentionally designed to be implemented alongside a high-quality, research-based foundational skills program. With strategic placement of supplemental materials, students can successfully achieve the proficiencies of Kansas standards while benefiting from the rich texts and knowledge-building of *Arts & Letters*. A detailed alignment analysis between Kansas standards and *Arts & Letters* follows.

**Reading: Informational****Key Ideas and Details**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i></b>
<p><b>RI.7.1</b> Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 8, 9, 12, 16, 18, 23, 31, 32, 36            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 16, 27, 28, 31, 34            Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 22, 33            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 23, 27, 31, 39</p>
<p><b>RI.7.2</b> Determine two or more central ideas in a text and analyze their development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 18, 36            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 11, 31, 34            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 39</p>
<p><b>RI.7.3</b> Analyze the interactions between individuals, events and ideas in a text (e.g., how ideas influence individuals or events or how individuals influence ideas or events).</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 12            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 34            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 39</p>

**Reading: Informational****Craft and Structure**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i></b>
<p><b>RI.7.4</b> Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 18            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 7, 27, 31            Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 5            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 7</p>

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RI.7.5</b> Analyze the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to the development of the ideas.</p>	Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 6
<p><b>RI.7.6</b> Determine an author's perspective viewpoint or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others.</p>	Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 12 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 11

## Reading: Informational

### Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RI.7.7</b> Compare and contrast a text to an audio, video or multimedia version of the text, analyzing each medium's portrayal of the subject (e.g., how the delivery of a speech affects the impact of the words).</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lesson 7
<p><b>RI.7.8</b> Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims.</p>	Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 12
<p><b>RI.7.9</b> Analyze how two or more authors writing about the same topic shape their presentations of key information by emphasizing different evidence or advancing different interpretations of facts.</p>	Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 8

**Reading: Informational****Language in Reading: Informational**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of Arts &amp; Letters</b>
<p><b>RI.7.10</b> Use knowledge of language and its conventions when reading to aid comprehension.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 16, 18, 23, 32            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 7, 12, 16, 27, 31, 33            Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 4, 6, 12, 15, 16, 17, 22, 33, 35            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 14, 16, 31</p>
<p><b>RI.7.11</b> Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on seventh grade reading and content.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 18, 23            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 7, 12, 27, 31, 33            Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 15, 35            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 16</p>
<p><b>RI.7.11.a</b> Use context to determine the meaning of a word or phrase.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 7, 27, 31, 33            Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 5</p>
<p><b>RI.7.11.b</b> Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots to determine the meaning of a word.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 18            Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 7, 12, 31            Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 15, 35            Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 16</p>
<p><b>RI.7.11.c</b> Consult general and specialized reference materials, both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 16</p>
<p><b>RI.7.11.d</b> Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 23</p>

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RI.7.12</b> Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 7, 27 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 6, 15, 16, 17</p>
<p><b>RI.7.12.a</b> Interpret figures of speech in context.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 27 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 6, 17</p>
<p><b>RI.7.12.b</b> Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 15, 16</p>
<p><b>RI.7.12.c</b> Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions).</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lesson 7</p>

## Reading: Informational

### Range of Reading and Text Complexity

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RI.7.13</b> Read and comprehend high-quality and engaging informational text of appropriate quantitative and qualitative complexity for seventh grade.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 8, 9, 12, 16, 18, 23, 31, 32, 36 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 16, 27, 28, 31, 33, 34 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 22, 33, 35 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 23, 27, 31, 39</p>

**Reading: Literature****Key Ideas and Details**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of Arts &amp; Letters</b>
<p><b>RL.7.1</b></p> <p>Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 39</p>
<p><b>RL.7.2</b></p> <p>Determine a theme of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 3, 5, 11, 16, 17, 21, 24, 25, 31, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 9, 15, 22, 29, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 9, 10, 11, 21, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 26, 30, 39</p>
<p><b>RL.7.3</b></p> <p>Analyze how particular elements of a story or drama interact (e.g., how setting shapes the characters or plot).</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 19, 22, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 14, 17, 18, 25, 27, 29, 30</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 18, 19, 21, 22, 27, 28, 30, 39</p>

**Reading: Literature****Craft and Structure**

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.4</b></p> <p>Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 16, 19</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 5, 9, 14, 20, 21, 27</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 28, 29</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 18, 24, 29</p>
<p><b>RL.7.5</b></p> <p>Analyze how a drama, poem or poem's form or structure contributes to its meaning.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 10, 20</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 10, 11</p>
<p><b>RL.7.6</b></p> <p>Explain how an author develops the point of view of the narrator or speaker in a text. Analyze how an author develops and contrasts the various perspectives (viewpoints) of different characters or narrators in a text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 19, 20, 26, 28</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 10, 14, 22, 23, 26</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 14, 16, 19, 26</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 20</p>

**Reading: Literature****Integration of Knowledge and Ideas**

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.7</b></p> <p>Compare and contrast a written story, drama or poem to its audio, filmed, staged or multimedia version, analyzing the effects of techniques unique to each medium (e.g., lighting, sound, color or camera focus and angles in a film).</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 2</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 24</p>
<p><b>RL.7.8</b></p> <p>Not applicable for literature.</p>	

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.9</b> Compare and contrast a fictional portrayal of setting or character with a historical account of the same period to understand how authors use or alter history.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 4, 8, 16, 18, 25, 32 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 6, 9, 11, 16, 22, 27, 28, 31 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 33 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 21, 23, 27</p>

## Reading: Literature

### Language in Reading: Literature

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.10</b> Use knowledge of language and its conventions when reading to aid comprehension.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 14, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 30, 32, 34, 35 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 27, 30, 31, 35 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 6, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 28, 31, 32, 33 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 18, 29, 33</p>
<p><b>RL.7.11</b> Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on seventh grade reading and content.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 14, 16, 18, 19, 23, 26, 27, 34 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 9, 12, 18, 20, 27, 31 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 14, 15, 19, 24, 28 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 18, 33</p>
<p><b>RL.7.11.a</b> Use context to determine the meaning of a word or phrase.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 16, 19 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 5, 9, 20, 27, 31 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 14, 19 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 18</p>

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.11.b</b> Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots to determine the meaning of a word.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 14, 18, 26, 27, 34 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 12, 18, 31 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 3, 5, 15, 24 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 33</p>
<p><b>RL.7.11.c</b> Consult general and specialized reference materials, both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 28 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 17</p>
<p><b>RL.7.11.d</b> Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 23 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 17</p>
<p><b>RL.7.12</b> Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 4, 9, 14, 21, 27 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 6, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 29</p>
<p><b>RL.7.12.a</b> Interpret figures of speech in context.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 9, 21, 27 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 6, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19</p>
<p><b>RL.7.12.b</b> Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 14 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 15, 16, 18</p>
<p><b>RL.7.12.c</b> Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions).</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 29</p>

## Reading: Literature

### Range of Reading and Text Complexity

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>RL.7.13</b> Read and comprehend high-quality dramas, prose and poetry of appropriate quantitative and qualitative complexity for seventh grade.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 39</p>

## Speaking and Listening

### Comprehension and Collaboration

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>SL.7.1</b> Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups and teacher-led) with diverse partners on seventh grade topics, texts and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 38, 39</p>

<p><b>SL.7.1.a</b></p> <p>Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 39</p>
<p><b>SL.7.1.b</b></p> <p>Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines and define individual roles as needed.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>SL.7.1.c</b></p> <p>Pose questions that elicit elaboration and respond to others' questions and comments with relevant observations and ideas that bring the discussion back on topic as needed.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 11, 21, 31, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 29, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 21, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 30, 39</p>
<p><b>SL.7.1.d</b></p> <p>Acknowledge new information expressed by others and, when warranted, modify their own views.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 11, 21, 31, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 29, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 21, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 30, 39</p>

<p><b>SL.7.2</b> Analyze the main ideas and supporting details presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how the ideas clarify a topic, text or issue under study.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 3, 25 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 24, 27, 30 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 13, 14 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 6, 14</p>
<p><b>SL.7.3</b> Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and the relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 31, 36, 38 Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 5</p>

## Speaking and Listening

### Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>SL.7.4</b> Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume and clear pronunciation.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 11, 21, 31, 36 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 29, 34 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 21, 32, 36 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 30, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>SL.7.5</b> Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 31, 36, 37, 38</p>
<p><b>SL.7.6</b> Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 11, 21, 31, 36 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 29, 34 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 21, 32, 36 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 30, 37, 38, 39</p>

**Speaking and Listening**

## Language in Speaking and Listening

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>SL.7.7</b></p> <p>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when speaking.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 18, 22, 32</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 16, 30</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 22, 38</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 34</p>
<p><b>SL.7.7.a</b></p> <p>Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 18, 22, 32</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 16, 30</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 38</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 14</p>
<p><b>SL.7.7.b</b></p> <p>Choose among simple, compound, complex and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 22</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 34</p>
<p><b>SL.7.7.c</b></p> <p>Place phrases and clauses within a sentence, recognizing and correcting misplaced and dangling modifiers.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 22</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lesson 16</p>
<p><b>SL.7.8</b></p> <p>Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 11, 21, 31, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 29, 34</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 21, 32, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 13, 30, 39</p>

**Writing****Text Types and Purposes**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i></b>
<p><b>W.7.1</b> Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.1.a</b> Introduce claim(s), acknowledge alternate or opposing claims and organize the reasons and evidence logically.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.1.b</b> Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.1.c</b> Use words, phrases and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), reasons and evidence.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.1.d</b> Establish and maintain a formal style.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 12, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.1.e</b> Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 10, 11, 12, 28, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.2</b> Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts and information through the selection, organization and analysis of relevant content.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>W.7.2.a</b> 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.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, 26, 28, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.2.b</b> Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations or other information and examples.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31, 35, 36, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.2.c</b> Use appropriate transitions to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 15, 16, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.2.d</b> Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 27, 30, 31, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.2.e</b> Establish and maintain a formal style.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 15, 30, 31, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.2.f</b> Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.</p>	Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 14, 15, 29, 30, 31, 37, 38, 39
<p><b>W.7.3</b> Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details and well-structured event sequences.</p>	Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39

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<p><b>W.7.3.a</b> 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.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 8, 9, 11, 20, 21, 22, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.3.b</b> Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing and description, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24, 27, 28, 31, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.3.c</b> Use a variety of transition words, phrases and clauses to convey sequence and signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 19, 21, 22, 25, 31, 32, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.3.d</b> Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 19, 21, 22, 25, 31, 32, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.3.e</b> Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated experiences or events.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 29, 30, 31, 37, 38, 39</p>

**Writing****Production and Distribution of Writing**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of Arts &amp; Letters</b>
<p><b>W.7.4</b></p> <p>Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization and style are appropriate to task, purpose and audience.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 18, 19, 20, 31, 34, 35</p>
<p><b>W.7.5</b></p> <p>With some guidance and support from adults and peers, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 20, 22, 30, 32, 35, 36, 37, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 31, 32, 33, 36, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lesson 35</p>
<p><b>W.7.6</b></p> <p>Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 30, 31, 35</p>

**Writing****Research to Build and Present Knowledge**

<b>Kansas Standards</b>	<b>Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i></b>
<p><b>W.7.7</b></p> <p>Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 35, 36, 37, 38</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 36, 37, 38</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.8</b></p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 34, 35, 36, 37</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 36</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 39</p>
<p><b>W.7.9</b></p> <p>Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection and research.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 6, 10, 11, 15, 25, 30, 31, 35, 36, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 5, 6, 11, 12, 18, 19, 32, 33, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 34, 35</p>

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## Language in Writing

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>W.7.10</b></p> <p>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 17, 18, 22, 28, 32</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 16, 30, 31, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 21, 22, 29, 30, 32, 33, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 31, 34</p>
<p><b>W.7.10.a</b></p> <p>Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 18, 22, 32</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 4, 16, 30</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 7, 11, 12, 21, 22, 29, 30, 32, 33, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 31</p>
<p><b>W.7.10.b</b></p> <p>Explain the function of phrases and clauses in general and their function in specific sentences.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 12, 17, 22, 28, 32</p>
<p><b>W.7.10.c</b></p> <p>Choose among simple, compound, complex and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 22, 33</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 14, 34</p>
<p><b>W.7.10.d</b></p> <p>Place phrases and clauses within a sentence, recognizing and correcting misplaced and dangling modifiers.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lesson 22</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 16, 30, 31, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 11</p>
<p><b>W.7.11</b></p> <p>Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation and spelling when writing.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 21, 22, 26, 31, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 14, 15, 16, 30, 31, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 12, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 39</p> <p>Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 29, 34, 35</p>

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>W.7.11.a</b> Use a comma to separate coordinate adjectives.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 26, 31, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 3, Lesson 12</p>
<p><b>W.7.11.b</b> Spell correctly.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 21, 22, 26, 31, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 14, 15, 16, 30, 31, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 11, 12, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 29, 34, 35</p>

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### Range of Writing

Kansas Standards	Aligned Components of <i>Arts &amp; Letters</i>
<p><b>W.7.12</b> 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.</p>	<p>Level 7, Module 1, Lessons 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 2, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 3, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 39 Level 7, Module 4, Lessons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39</p>