

College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Language (K-12)

Conventions of Standard English

1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. **1**

2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. **2**

Knowledge of Language

3 Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening. **3**

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate. **4**

5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings. **5**

6 Acquire and use accurately a range of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening at the college and career readiness level; demonstrate independence in gathering vocabulary knowledge when encountering an unknown term important to comprehension or expression. **6**