

| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Reading Standards for Literature</b> |   |  |
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| RL.3.1  | I can ask questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.    |  |
| RL.3.1  | I can answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers. |  |
| RL.3.2a   | I can analyze literary text development to determine a theme.   |  |
| RL.3.2a   | I can analyze literary text development to explain how a theme is conveyed through key details in the text.                   |  |
| RL.3.2b   | I can analyze literary text development to retell stories from diverse cultures.  |  |
| RL.3.2b   | I can analyze literary text development to retell folktales from diverse cultures.  |  |
| RL.3.2b   | I can hypothesize about the cultural uses of folktales in their cultures of origin.   |  |
| RL.3.2b   | I can analyze literary text development to retell fables from diverse cultures.   |  |
| RL.3.2b   | I can analyze literary text development to retell myths from diverse cultures.  |  |
| RL.3.3  | I can describe characters in a story with detail (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings.)                              |  |
| RL.3.3  | I can explain how characters' actions contribute to the sequence of events in a story.  |  |
| RL.3.4  | I can determine the meaning of an unfamiliar word in a text.  |  |
| RL.3.4  | I can determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text.  |  |

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| RL.3.4 | I can distinguish literal from nonliteral language.   |  |
| RL.3.4 | I can distinguish literal from nonliteral phrases.  |  |
| RL.3.4 | I can connect nonliteral phrases to various contexts by providing real-life examples that help to explain their intended meanings.                                |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can refer to specific parts of a story using terms such as "chapter" when writing or speaking about a text.   |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can refer to specific parts of a poem using terms such as "stanza" when writing or speaking about a text.   |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can create an additional <b>stanza</b> for a poem to demonstrate understanding of the meaning of the term.  |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can refer to specific parts of a drama using terms such as "scene" when writing or speaking about a text.   |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can compare and contrast <b>scenes</b> from a drama in one text and the drama in the film version of a different text to demonstrate understanding of the term. |  |
| RL.3.5 | I can describe how each successive part of a story, poem or drama builds on earlier sections of the text.   |  |
| RL.3.6 | I can describe the difference between points of view in texts, particularly first- and third-person narration.  |  |
| RL.3.7 | I can explain how specific aspects of a story's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words (e.g., emphasizes aspects of a character.)              |  |
| RL.3.7 | I can explain how specific aspects of a story's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words (e.g., emphasizes aspects of a setting.)                |  |
| RL.3.7 | I can critique a story's illustrations with an opinion and justification about their effectiveness in helping to convey the message of the text.                  |  |
| RL.3.8 | (Not applicable to literature)  |  |

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| RL.3.9  | I can compare and contrast the themes of two stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters.  |  |
| RL.3.9  | I can create an artistic representation of the themes of one or more stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters.                        |  |
| RL.3.9  | I can compare and contrast the settings of two stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters.  |  |
| RL.3.9  | I can compare and contrast the plots of two stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters.   |  |
| RL.3.10 | By the end of the year, I can read and comprehend literature of 2nd-3rd grade-level complexity independently and proficiently (including stories, drama and poetry.) |  |
| RL.3.10 | I can activate prior knowledge and draw on previous experiences in order to make make text-to-self connections and comparisons.                                      |  |
| RL.3.10 | I can activate prior knowledge and draw on previous experiences in order to make text-to-text connections and comparisons.   |  |
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| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Reading Standards for Informational Text</b> |   |  |
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| RI.3.1  | I can ask questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.  |  |
| RI.3.1  | I can explain the reasoning behind my questions to demonstrate metacognition, or "thinking about my thinking."  |  |
| RI.3.1  | I can answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.   |  |
| RI.3.2a   | I can analyze informational text development to identify the main idea of an informational text.  |  |
| RI.3.2a   | I can connect the main idea of one informational text to another or to a text from another genre, providing evidence from each text to explain the connection.                            |  |
| RI.3.2b   | I can analyze informational text development to retell the key details of a text and explain how they support the main idea.  |  |
| RI.3.3  | I can describe the relationship between a series of historical events in a text, using language relating to time, sequence, and cause/effect.   |  |
| RI.3.3  | I can describe the relationship between a series of scientific ideas or concepts in a text, using language relating to time, sequence, and cause/effect.                                  |  |
| RI.3.3  | I can create a visual representation (such as a web or other graphic) to describe in detail the relationship between one key idea or concept in a text, and the others that relate to it. |  |
| RI.3.3  | I can describe the relationship between a series of steps in technical procedures in a text, using language relating to time, sequence, and cause/effect.                                 |  |
| RI.3.4  | I can determine the meaning of general academic words and phrases in a text relevant to a 3rd grade topic or subject area.  |  |

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| RI.3.4 | I can determine the meaning of domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a 3rd grade topic or subject area.   |  |
| RI.3.4 | I can determine the meaning of domain-specific phrases in a text.   |  |
| RI.3.5 | I can use text features (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information related to a given topic effectively.   |  |
| RI.3.5 | I can use search tools (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information related to a given topic effectively.  |  |
| RI.3.6 | I can distinguish between my perspective and the author's perspective of a text.  |  |
| RI.3.7 | I can use information from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) in an informational text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, or how key events occur.)   |  |
| RI.3.7 | I can demonstrate understanding of an informational text by creating an additional visual (illustration, graphic, map, etc.) that I believe would further establish the author's meaning. |  |
| RI.3.7 | I can use information from the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, or how key events occur).  |  |
| RI.3.8 | I can describe the relationships between the evidence and points an author uses throughout a text.  |  |
| RI.3.8 | I can analyze and explain how effective a text would be without particular evidence and points the author uses in the text.   |  |
| RI.3.9 | I can compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.  |  |
| RI.3.9 | I can conduct research and analysis to identify a third text on a topic that presents additional perspectives to supplement those in two initial texts studied.                           |  |

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| RI.3.10 | By the end of the year, I can understand and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 grade text complexity band independently and proficiently. |  |
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| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Reading Standards for Foundational Skills</b> |   |  |
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| RF.3.1   | (Print Concepts standards for Grades K and 1 only)  |  |
| RF.3.2   | (Phonological Awareness standards for Grades K and 1 only)  |  |
| RF.3.3   | I can know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.  |  |
| RF.3.3a  | I can identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.  |  |
| RF.3.3a  | I can create a visual map (such as a Frayer model) of words with common prefixes and derivational suffixes.   |  |
| RF.3.3b  | I can decode words with common Latin suffixes.  |  |
| RF.3.3c  | I can decode multi-syllable words.  |  |
| RF.3.3c  | I can teach a peer my strategy(ies) for decoding multi-syllable words, through demonstration.   |  |
| RF.3.3d  | I can read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.   |  |
| RF.3.4   | I can read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.   |  |
| RF.3.4   | I can analyze text to identify sections which will only make sense when read fluently--contrasting the reading of the text in a choppy vs. fluent fashion and discussing how the meaning seems to change with each. |  |
| RF.3.4a  | I can read grade-level text with purpose and understanding.   |  |

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| RF.3.4b | I can read grade-level prose and poetry orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings. |  |
| RF.3.4c | I can use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.               |  |
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| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Writing Standards</b> |  |  |
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| W.3.1  | I can write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.  |  |
| W.3.1a   | I can introduce the topic or text we are writing about, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons.                             |  |
| W.3.1b   | I can provide reasons that support my opinion in opinion writing piece.  |  |
| W.3.1c   | I can use linking words and phrases (e.g., because, therefore, since, for example) to connect the opinion and reasons.   |  |
| W.3.1d   | I can provide a concluding statement or section in opinion writing.  |  |
| W.3.1d   | I can analyze how my opinion piece would be impacted by leaving out the concluding statement, demonstrating the importance of providing this section in my text. |  |
| W.3.2  | I can write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.   |  |
| W.3.2a   | I can introduce a topic and group related information together, including illustrations to aid comprehension, if needed.   |  |
| W.3.2b   | I can develop a topic with facts, definitions, and details.  |  |
| W.3.2c   | I can use linking words and phrases (e.g., also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas within categories of information.                                     |  |
| W.3.2d   | I can provide a concluding statement or section for informative/explanatory writing.   |  |

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| W.3.2d | I can analyze how my informative/explanatory writing would be impacted by leaving out the concluding statement, demonstrating the importance of providing this section in my text. |  |
| W.3.3  | I can write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.                                |  |
| W.3.3a | I can establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters and organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.  |  |
| W.3.3b | I can use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.                         |  |
| W.3.3c | I can use temporal words and phrases to signal event order in narrative writing.   |  |
| W.3.3d | I can provide a sense of closure in narrative writing.   |  |
| W.3.3d | I can analyze how my narrative writing would be impacted by leaving out the concluding statement, demonstrating the importance of providing this section in my text.               |  |
| W.3.4  | I can, with guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose.                                       |  |
| W.3.5  | I can, with guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning.  |  |
| W.3.5  | I can, with guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by revising.  |  |
| W.3.5  | I can, with guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by editing.   |  |
| W.3.6  | I can, with guidance and support, use technology to produce and publish writing (using keyboarding skills), as well as to interact and collaborate with others.                    |  |
| W.3.7  | I can conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.  |  |

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| W.3.7  | I can design an extended research project to build deep understanding about a topic--which may include interviews, field experiences, team research, various research sources, etc. |  |
| W.3.8  | I can recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources.   |  |
| W.3.8  | I can take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.   |  |
| W.3.8  | I can create categories that fit my notes from different sources and evidence, and sort them accordingly.   |  |
| W.3.9  | (Begins in grade 4)   |  |
| W.3.10 | I can write routinely over extended time frames and shorter time frames for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.  |  |
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| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Speaking and Listening Standards</b> |   |  |
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| SL.3.1  | I can engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing my own clearly. |  |
| SL.3.1a   | I can come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material.   |  |
| SL.3.1a   | I can analyze required material, selecting a key section for which I can lead discussion--asking my peers key questions that I create and sharing my thoughts.  |  |
| SL.3.1a   | I can come to discussions prepared and explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.   |  |
| SL.3.1b   | I can follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).                       |  |
| SL.3.1b   | I can devise additional rules for discussions, appropriate to the unique environment of online learning.  |  |
| SL.3.1c   | I can ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link my comments to the remarks of others.  |  |
| SL.3.1d   | I can explain ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.   |  |
| SL.3.2  | I can determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud.   |  |
| SL.3.2  | I can determine the main ideas and supporting details of information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually.  |  |

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| SL.3.2 | I can determine the main ideas and supporting details of information presented in diverse media and formats, including quantitatively.  |  |
| SL.3.2 | I can determine the main ideas and supporting details of information presented in diverse media and formats, including orally.  |  |
| SL.3.2 | I can create visual models for capturing main ideas and details of information presented in diverse media and formats, including orally.  |  |
| SL.3.3 | I can ask and answer questions about information from a speaker, offering appropriate elaboration and detail.   |  |
| SL.3.4 | I can report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly at an understandable pace.                                     |  |
| SL.3.5 | I can create engaging audio recordings of stories or poems that demonstrate fluid reading at an understandable pace; I can add visual displays when appropriate to emphasize or enhance certain facts or details. |  |
| SL.3.6 | I can speak in complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification.   |  |
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| <b>Third Grade I Can Statements Checklist: Language Standards</b> |   |  |
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| L.3.1   | I can demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.                          |  |
| L.3.1   | I can "translate" or code-switch between standard written and spoken English grammar and usage, a and non-standard or casual dialect. |  |
| L.3.1a  | I can explain the function of nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences. |  |
| L.3.1b  | I can form and use regular and irregular plural nouns.  |  |
| L.3.1c  | I can use abstract nouns (e.g., childhood).   |  |
| L.3.1c  | I can create a visual representation (such as a web) connecting abstract nouns to related words.                                      |  |
| L.3.1d  | I can form and use regular and irregular verbs.   |  |
| L.3.1e  | I can form and use the simple (e.g., I walked; I walk; I will walk) verb tenses.  |  |
| L.3.1f  | I can ensure subject-verb agreement.  |  |
| L.3.1f  | I can ensure pronoun antecedent agreement.  |  |
| L.3.1g  | I can form and use comparative and superlative adjectives, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.               |  |

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| L.3.1g | I can form and use comparative and superlative adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.  |  |
| L.3.1h | I can use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.  |  |
| L.3.1i | I can produce simple sentences.   |  |
| L.3.1i | I can produce compound sentences.   |  |
| L.3.1i | I can produce complex sentences.  |  |
| L.3.1i | I can explain why a complex sentence provides more substance or understanding for a reader than a simple sentence.  |  |
| L.3.2  | I can demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.  |  |
| L.3.2a | I can capitalize appropriate words in titles.   |  |
| L.3.2b | I can use commas in addresses.  |  |
| L.3.2c | I can use commas and quotation marks in dialogue.   |  |
| L.3.2d | I can form and use possessives.   |  |
| L.3.2e | I can use conventional spelling for high-frequency and other studied words.   |  |
| L.3.2e | I can use conventional spelling for adding suffixes to base words (e.g., sitting, smiled, cries, happiness).  |  |
| L.3.2f | I can use spelling patterns and generalizations (e.g., word families, position-based spellings, syllable patterns, ending rules, meaningful word parts) in writing words. |  |

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| L.3.2g | I can consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.   |  |
| L.3.3  | I can use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.   |  |
| L.3.3a | I can choose words and phrases for effect.   |  |
| L.3.3b | I can recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written standard English.  |  |
| L.3.4  | I can determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.           |  |
| L.3.4a | I can use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.   |  |
| L.3.4b | I can determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat). |  |
| L.3.4c | I can use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion).   |  |
| L.3.4d | I can use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.  |  |
| L.3.5  | I can demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.  |  |
| L.3.5a | I can distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).  |  |
| L.3.5b | I can identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe people who are friendly or helpful).  |  |
| L.3.5c | I can distinguish shades of meaning among related words that describe states of mind or degrees of certainty (e.g., knew, believed, suspected, heard, wondered).                       |  |



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| L.3.6 | I can acquire and use accurately grade appropriate conversational words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night, we went looking for them).   |  |
| L.3.6 | I can acquire and use accurately grade appropriate general academic words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night, we went looking for them). |  |
| L.3.6 | I can acquire and use accurately grade appropriate domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night, we went looking for them).  |  |
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