

Arkansas English Language Arts Strands/Standards/Expectations Grade 7	National Essential Skills Study (NESS) Rankings	2007 Benchmark Exam	Visual Arts	Dance	Music	Theatre
Standard 9: <i>Comprehension</i> Students shall apply a variety of strategies to read and comprehend printed material.						
Prior Knowledge						
R.9.7.1 Use previewing, activating prior knowledge, predicting content of text, formulating questions, and establishing purposes for reading	E12	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
Making Connections						
R.9.7.2 Infer the interrelations of text and world issues/events by applying connection strategies	E23	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
Using questioning and monitoring						
R.9.7.3 Prioritize questions formulated and purposes established for reading.	E2	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.4 Generate and prioritize questions related to universal themes to interpret meaning.	E41	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.5 Monitor reading strategies, including rereading, using resources and questions, and modify them when understanding breakdowns.	E2	L				
Using inferences and interpretations						
R.9.7.6 Connect own background knowledge and personal experience to make inferences and to respond to new information presented in text	E23	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.7 Infer a character's impact on plot development	E37	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.8 Infer mood of text	E37	M	✓	✓	✓	✓

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R.9.7.9 Analyze literary elements of fiction with emphasis on plot development, including conflict, rising action, climax, falling action, and resolution	E37	L				
R.9.7.10 Compare and contrast points of view, such as first person, limited, and omniscient third person, and explain the effect on the overall theme of a literary work	E24 E37	L				
R.9.7.11 Distinguish among stated fact, reasoned judgment, and opinion in text	E30	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Determining Importance						
R.9.7.12 Identify main ideas and supporting evidence in short stories and novels	E2	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.13 Use the <i>text features</i> to locate and recall information, with emphasis on graphics	E12	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.14 Use knowledge of text structure(s) to enhance understanding with emphasis on problem/solution	E12	L				
R.9.7.15 Organize information, including simple outlining	E2	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.9.7.16 Use skimming, scanning, note-taking, outlining, and questioning as study strategies	E2 E25	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Summarizing and Synthesizing						
R.9.7.17 Summarize the content of multiple chapters of a text	E24	L				
Evaluating						
R.9.7.18 Evaluate the accuracy and appropriateness of the evidence used by the author to support claims and assertions	E13	M	✓	✓	✓	✓

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R.9.7.19 Evaluate personal, social, and political issues as presented in text	E23	H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Standard 10: <i>Variety of texts</i> Students shall read, examine, and respond to a wide range of texts for a variety of purposes.						
Exhibit behaviors and habits of an active reader						
R.10.7.1 Read for a substantial amount of time daily, including assigned and self-selected materials at independent and instructional levels	NA	L				
R.10.7.2 Read texts that reflect contributions of different cultural groups	E23	L				
R.10.7.3 Vary reading strategies according to text and purpose	E2	L				
Reading a variety of informational materials for enjoyment, critical analysis, and evaluation						
R.10.7.4 Understand how word choice and language structure convey an author's viewpoint	E37	L				
R.10.7.5 Use skimming, scanning, note taking, outlining, and questioning as study strategies	E12	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
R.10.7.6 Organize and synthesize information for use in written and oral <i>presentation</i>	E22	L				
Reading a variety of literature for enjoyment, critical analysis and evaluation						
R.10.7.7 Read a variety of literature, including short stories, science fiction, legends, and myths	E35	M	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reading a variety of poetry for enjoyment, critical analysis and evaluation						
R.10.7.8 Read a variety of poetry, with emphasis on lyric poetry	E44	L				