

TEKS Snapshot - Kindergarten Reading Ready for STAAR

Category	Readiness Standards	Supporting Standards
1 Understanding Across Genres	K.4.B ask and respond to questions about texts read aloud*	K.5.B recognize that compound words are made up of shorter words K.5.C identify and sort pictures of objects into conceptual categories (e.g., colors, shapes, textures)* K.5.D use a picture dictionary to find words*
2 Understanding and Analysis of Literary Texts	K.6.A identify elements of a story including setting, character, and key events K.8.A retell a main event from a story read aloud* K.8.B describe characters in a story and the reasons for their actions* Fig 19D make inferences based on the cover, title, illustrations, and plot* Fig 19E retell or act out important events in stories*	 K.4.A predict what might happen next in text based on the cover, title, and illustrations* K.6.B discuss the big idea (theme) of a well-known folktale or fable and connect it to personal experience* K.6.C recognize sensory details K.6.D recognize recurring phrases and characters in traditional fairy tales, lullabies, and folktales from various cultures.* K.7 respond to rhythm and rhyme in poetry through identifying a regular beat and similarities in word sounds* K.12 use comprehension skills to analyze how words, images, graphics, and sounds work together in various forms to impact meaning* K.12.A identify different forms of media (e.g., advertisements, newspapers, radio programs)* K.12.B identify techniques used in media (e.g., sound, movement)* Fig 19D make inferences based on the cover, title, illustrations, and plot* Fig 19E retell or act out important events in stories*
3 Understanding and Analysis of Informational Texts	K.10.A identify the topic and details in expository text heard or read, referring to the words and/or illustrations* K.10.B retell important facts in a text, heard or read* K.10.D use titles and illustrations to make predictions about text*	 K.5.A identify and use words that name actions, directions, positions, sequences, and locations K.9 identify the topic of an informational text heard. K.10.C discuss the ways authors group information in text* K.11.A follow pictorial directions (e.g., recipes, science experiments) K.11.B identify the meaning of specific signs (e.g., traffic signs, warning signs)* K.12 use comprehension skills to analyze how words, images, graphics, and sounds work together in various forms to impact meaning K.12.A identify different forms of media (advertisements, newspapers, radio programs)* K.12.B identify techniques used in media (e.g., sound, movement)*

Genres			
Literary	Informational		
Fiction	Expository		
Poetry	Procedural		
	Media Literacy		

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Reading Processes-Kindergarten

Reading/Beginning Reading Skills/Print Awareness

- K.1.A recognize that spoken words can be represented by print for communication
- K.1.B identify upper- and lower-case letters
- K.1.C demonstrate the one-to-one correspondence between a spoken word and a printed word in text
- K.1.D recognize the difference between a letter and a printed word
- K.1.E recognize that sentences are comprised of words separated by spaces and demonstrate the awareness of word boundaries (e.g., through kinesthetic or tactile actions such as clapping and jumping)
- K.1.F hold a book right side up, turn its pages correctly, and know that reading moves from top to bottom and left to right
- K.1.G identify different parts of a book (e.g., front and back covers, title page)

Reading/Beginning Reading Skills/Phonological Awareness

- K.2.A identify a sentence made up of a group of words
- K.2.B identify syllables in spoken words
- K.2.C orally generate rhymes in response to spoken words (e.g., "What rhymes with hat?")
- K.2.D distinguish orally presented rhyming pairs of words from non-rhyming pairs
- K.2.E recognize spoken alliteration or groups of words that begin with the same spoken onset or initial sound (e.g., "baby boy bounces the ball")
- K.2.F blend spoken onsets and rimes to form simple words (e.g., onset/c/ and rime/at/ make cat)
- K.2.G blend spoken phonemes to form one-syllable words (e.g.,/m/ .../a/ .../n/ says man)
- K.2.H isolate the initial sound in one-syllable spoken words
- K.2.I segment spoken one-syllable words into two to three phonemes (e.g., dog:/d/ .../o/ .../g/)

Reading/Beginning Reading Skills/Phonics

- K.3.A identify the common sounds that letters represent
- K.3.B use knowledge of letter-sound relationships to decode regular words in text and independent of content (e.g., VC, CVC, CCVC, and CVCC words)
- K.3.C recognize that new words are created when letters are changed, added, or deleted
- K.3.D identify and read at least 25 high-frequency words from a commonly used list

Reading/Media Literacy

- K.12.A identify different forms of media (e.g., advertisements, newspapers, radio programs)
- K.12.B identify techniques used in media (e.g., sound, movement)

Research

- K.19.B decide what sources or people in the classroom, school, library, or home can answer these questions.
- K.20.A gather evidence from provided text sources
- K.20.B use pictures in conjunction with writing when documenting research

Listening and Speaking

- K.21.A listen attentively by facing speakers and asking questions to clarify information; and
- K.21.B follow oral directions that involve a short related sequence of actions.
- K.22 share information and ideas by speaking audibly and clearly using the conventions of language.
- K.23 follow agreed-upon rules for discussion, including taking turns and speaking one at a time

Comprehension Skills

- Fig. 19A discuss the purposes for reading and listening to various texts (e.g., to become involved in real and imagined events, settings, actions, and to enjoy language)
- Fig. 19B ask and respond to questions about text
- Fig. 19C monitor and adjust comprehension (e.g., using background knowledge, creating sensory images, rereading a portion aloud)
- Fig. 19F make connections to own experiences, to ideas in other texts, and to the larger community and discuss textual evidence*

NOTE: The classification of standards on this snapshot represent the reviewed and synthesized input of a sample Texas Kindergarten – Grade 2 teachers. This snapshot DOES NOT represent a publication of the Texas Education Agency. District curriculum may reflect other classifications. Revised March 2012

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TEKS Snapshot - Kindergarten Writing Ready for STAAR

Category	Readiness Standards	Supporting Standards
1 Composition	K.13.B develop drafts by sequencing the action or details in the story* K.14.A dictate or write sentences to tell a story and put the sentences in chronological sequence* K.15 dictate or write information for lists, captions, or invitations* K.18.C write one's own name	K.14.B write short poems
2 Revision	K.13.C revise drafts by adding details or sentences*	
3 Editing	K.13.D edit drafts by leaving spaces between letters and words* K.16.B speak in complete sentences to communicate * form upper- and lower-case letters legibly using the basic conventions of print (left-to-right and top-to-bottom progression)	K.16.A understand and use the following parts of speech in the context of reading, writing, and speaking (with adult assistance)* (i) past and future tenses when speaking* (ii) nouns (singular/plural)* (iii) descriptive words* (iv) prepositions and simple prepositional phrases appropriately when speaking or writing (e.g., in, on, under, over)* (v) pronouns (e.g., I, me)* K.16.C use complete simple sentences* K.17.B capitalize the first letter in a sentence* K.17.C use punctuation at the end of a sentence* K.18.A use phonological knowledge to match sounds to letters K.18.B use letter-sound correspondences to spell consonant-vowel-consonant (CVC) words (e.g., "cut")*

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	• Fiction	Expository			
	• Poetry				

Writing/Writing Processes

- K.13.A plan a first draft by generating ideas for writing through class discussion
- K.13.E share writing with others
- K.19.A ask questions about topics of class-wide interest

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