

## 2012-13 Grade 3 ELD Benchmark Blueprint Summary

Writing Strategies and Applications	3-5 ELD Standards	ELD Standard Proficiency Level	ELA Std. **	Benchmark 1 (Personal Narrative)			Benchmark 2 (Descriptive Essay)			Benchmark 3 (Business Letter)		
				B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A
	Write the English alphabet legibly.	Beginning	ELA.3.WS.1.0	✓			✓			✓		
	Create simple sentences or phrases with some assistance.	Beginning		✓			✓			✓		
	Write simple sentences and use drawings, pictures, lists, charts, and tables to respond to familiar literature.	Early Intermediate		✓			✓			✓		
	Write an increasing number of words and simple sentences appropriate for language arts and other content areas (e.g., math, science, history-social science.).	Early Intermediate		✓			✓			✓		
	Use more complex vocabulary and sentences appropriate for language arts and other content areas (e.g., math, science, history-social science).	Intermediate		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Use complex vocabulary and sentences appropriate for language arts and other content areas (e.g., math, science, social studies).	Early Advanced			✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Write short narratives that include examples of writing appropriate for language arts and other content areas (e.g., math, science, social studies).	Advanced				✓			✓			
	Use models to write short narratives.	Beginning	ELA.3.WA.2.0	✓			✓					
	Write short narrative stories that include elements of setting and characters.	Early Intermediate		✓			✓					
	Narrate with some detail a sequence of events.	Intermediate		✓	✓		✓	✓				
	Write narratives that describe the setting, characters, objects, and events.	Advanced				✓			✓			
	Write brief narratives and stories by using a few standard grammatical forms.	Beginning	ELA.3.WA.2.0	✓			✓			✓		
	Follow a model to write a friendly letter.	Early Intermediate								✓		
	Write a letter independently by using detailed sentences.	Intermediate								✓	✓	
	Independently write a persuasive letter with relevant evidence.	Early Advanced									✓	✓
	Follow a model given by the teacher to independently write a short paragraph of at least four sentences.	Early Intermediate		✓			✓					

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Writing Strategies and Applications, cont.	3-5 ELD Standards	ELD Standard Proficiency Level	ELA Std. **	Benchmark 1 (Personal Narrative)			Benchmark 2 (Descriptive Essay)			Benchmark 3 (Business Letter)		
				B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A
	Produce independent writing that is understood when read but may include inconsistent use of standard grammatical forms.	Early Intermediate	ELA.3.WA.2.0	✓			✓			✓		
	Begin to use a variety of genres in writing (e.g., expository, narrative, poetry).	Intermediate		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Independently create cohesive paragraphs that develop a central idea with consistent use of standard English grammatical forms. (Some rules may not be followed.)	Intermediate		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Write multiple-paragraph narrative and expository compositions appropriate for content areas, with consistent use of standard grammatical forms.	Early Advanced			✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Write multiple-paragraph narrative and expository compositions by using standard grammatical forms	Advanced				✓			✓			✓
	Write a persuasive composition by using standard grammatical forms.	Advanced				✓			✓			✓

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Writing Language Conventions	3-5 ELD Standard	ELD Standard Proficiency Level	ELA Std. **	Benchmark 1 (Personal Narrative)			Benchmark 2 (Descriptive Essay)			Benchmark 3 (Business Letter)		
				B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A	B/EI	I	EA/ A
	Use standard word order but may have inconsistent grammatical forms (e.g., subject/verb agreement).	Intermediate	ELA.3.WC.1.1	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Use standard word order but may have more consistent grammatical forms, including inflections.	Early Advanced			✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Use complete sentences and correct word order.	Advanced				✓			✓			✓
	Use correct parts of speech, including correct subject/verb agreement.	Advanced				✓			✓			✓
	Use capitalization when writing one's own name and at the beginning of sentences.	Beginning	ELA.3.WC.1.5, 1.6, 1.7	✓			✓			✓		
	Use a period at the end of a sentence and a question mark at the end of a question.	Beginning		✓			✓			✓		
	Use capitalization to begin sentences and for proper nouns.	Early Intermediate		✓			✓			✓		
	Use a period at the end of a sentence and use some commas appropriately.	Early Intermediate		✓			✓			✓		
	Produce independent writing that may include some inconsistent use of capitalization, periods, and correct spelling	Intermediate		✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Produce independent writing with consistent use of correct capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.	Early Advanced			✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Produce writing that demonstrates a command of the conventions of standard English.	Advanced				✓			✓			✓