

Key Terms and Definitions

Primary Focus Standard(s):

- **Action**-the causation of change by the exertion of power or a natural process
- **Analogy**-similarities between like features of two things on which a comparison may be made
- **Analyze**- to break into smaller components for the purpose of study or examination
- **Aspect** – a distinct feature
- **Category**- a class or division of people or things regarded as having particular shared characteristics
- **Character** – a personality in a literary work
- **Comparison**- the process of noting similarities and differences
- **Distinction**- difference
- **Decision**- conclusion or resolution reached after consideration
- **Dialogue** – the conversation between or among characters in a literary work
- **Drama**- a play; prose or verse composition telling a story that is intended to be performed by actors
- **Event**- something that happens, an activity or occasion
- **Idea**- a thought or conception; plan of action
- **Incident** – an individual occurrence or event
- **Procedure**- a series of actions or steps
- **Propel** – to drive, or cause to move forward or onward
- **Provoke** – to incite or stimulate to action
- **Reveal** – to disclose, unveil or tell

Supporting Standard(s):

- **Analyze** – to break into smaller components for the purpose of study or examination
- **Author**- a person who composes a literary or informational text
- **Base word** – a word that can stand alone without a prefix and/or suffix
- **Connotative** – refers to the emotions (positive or negative) that are associated with words
- **Determine** – to conclude or ascertain after reasoning
- **Figurative** – language that contains or uses figures of speech (e.g., simile, metaphor, personification, imagery, alliteration, onomatopoeia, hyperbole, idioms)
- **Impact**- to have a strong effect on someone or something
- **Meaning** – what is intended to be, or actually is, expressed or indicated
- **Phrase**- small group of related words within a sentence or a clause; a group of two or more words that expresses a single idea but does not form a complete sentence
- **Prefix** – a word part added to the beginning of a root or base word
- **Root** – a word part to which a prefix and/or a suffix may be added to create a word
- **Suffix** – a word part added to the end of a root or base word
- **Tone** – the author's, character's, or narrator's attitude toward a subject