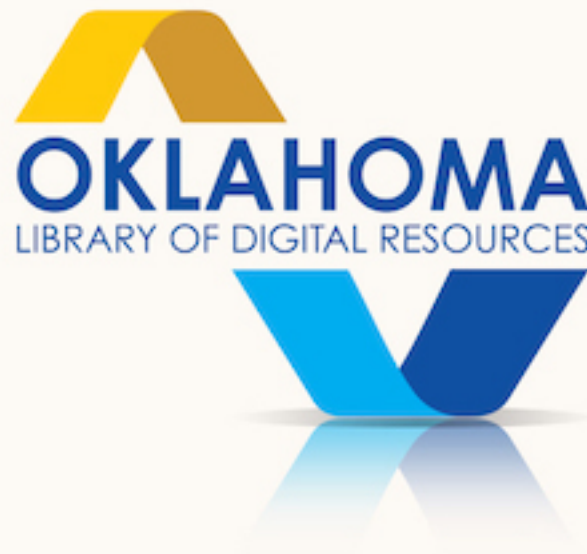


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GETTING TO KNOW OKLDR

WHO IS OSSBA?

The Oklahoma State School Boards Association (OSSBA) works to promote quality public education for the children of Oklahoma through training and information services to school board members. The Association is a leader among leaders in Oklahoma education and a visible presence in the local school districts and throughout the state.

The OSSBA was created in 1944 to provide support for local school board members with a variety of information, assistance, and representation services. OSSBA reaches every school board member through training opportunities. It creates and encouraged effective leaders to promote public education and cultivates productive alliances with governing bodies. OSSBA trains school board members to participate in an effective and supportive manner to provide direction for educational innovation and improves public perception of education in Oklahoma by sharing strategies and tools with our member school districts to focus on the success of Oklahoma public education.

OSSBA works with school boards to demonstrate the impact they have on student achievement. We work to provide meaningful two-way communication of advocacy, services, and training activities to local boards of education and their stakeholders. Other services we provide that have a direct impact on student achievement include strategic planning and superintendent searches. Our legal team provides free legal information to the school districts.

WHY OKLDR?

In the summer of 2016, OSSBA set out on a journey assist teachers in the integration of technology into their classrooms. The Oklahoma Library of Digital Resources (OKLDR) became a collection of digital content resources selected by Oklahoma educators to support the Oklahoma Academic Standards. The resources were curated by teachers from school districts across Oklahoma. Each collection contained a variety of learning resources, such as videos, apps, pdf documents, and websites, and are designed so that teachers can then build their lesson plans. The resources helped bridge the digital equity gap among students while helping schools make the most of limited resources.

After collaborating with educators, school and district leaders for a couple of years, OKLDR has been enhanced in the following ways:

- Resources are now an Open Education Resource (OER) “book” format, making it easier to use and accessible on multiple devices.
- Resources map to ESSA expectations for evidence of student understanding and students’ mastery of the academic standards.
- Tools are now agnostic and can be used on multiple devices.
- Lessons are now focused on student engagement through the use of technology. The first OKLDR version focused on teacher resources. This is a major change.
- To prioritize student learning, teacher resources are now located at the back of each book.

HOW TO USE OKLDR



The Oklahoma Academic Standards for this lesson are grouped together by key topics. Sometimes you will see only one standard, but other times you will see a grouping of standards.



Evidence of Understanding is the key. This is the concept you want your students to master that reinforces the standards. Mastery means deeper understanding, not just “skim the surface” learning.



Digital Tools are the recommended applications and/or tools for the lesson. Think of this element as the “supplies box.”



In Practice is a suggested activity to engage the students to demonstrate mastery of the standard. You will notice that this is just one suggested lesson, and sometimes there might be a second lesson. The suggested lesson, developed by Oklahoma teachers, is meant to give you a starting point. You might decide to use the lesson or it might give you an idea of something else you could do to teach the concept.

MOVING FORWARD

As you can see the OKLDR book has been designed to inspire educators to have students demonstrate their understanding of the Oklahoma Academic Standards through the use of technology as a productivity tool. While educators have limited time in the day to plan and research high quality content, this book is a jumping off point, with suggested peer-reviewed activities and resources.

While you might encounter extra white space in the book, it is intentional for growth. As you integrate the activities into your lessons, you are encouraged to send us student work samples that might be included in the book, as well as additional activities and resources that could be included in future revisions.

Next Steps:

- We would love to add samples of student work to the activities, so please send the work to: okldr@ossba.org.
- If you would like to be involved in future course creation, or know teachers who would like to be involved, please contact us at: okldr@ossba.org.
- See anything that needs to be changed or enhanced? Contact us at: okldr@ossba.org.

SPEAKING & LISTENING

READING



7.1.R.1 Students will actively listen and speak clearly using appropriate discussion rules with awareness and control of verbal and nonverbal cues.

7.1.R.2 Students will actively listen and interpret a speaker's messages (both verbal and nonverbal) and ask questions to clarify the speaker's purpose and perspective.

7.1.R.3 Students will engage in collaborative discussions about appropriate topics and texts, expressing their own ideas clearly while building on the ideas of others in pairs, diverse groups, and whole class settings.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will use discussion board to engage in collaborative discussions about appropriate topics and texts.



Digital Tools

- *Discussion Boards* - [Google Classroom](#), [Flipgrid Backchannel Chat](#), [Google Hangout](#)
- *Bloggining* - [EduBlogs.Org](#)



In Practice

- Using texts and documents that are relevant to topics of class discussion as support, students can collaborate on multiple threads.
- All students will make an initial post which includes a reference to the text (i.e. a quote or a paraphrase) and a thought-provoking question for others in the class to respond to.

WRITING



7.1.W.1 Students will give formal and informal presentations in a group or individually, providing evidence to support a main idea.

7.1.W.2 Students will work effectively and respectfully within diverse groups, show willingness to make necessary compromises to accomplish a goal, share responsibility for collaborative work, and value individual contributions made by each group member.



Evidence of Understanding

After organizing information students will give a presentation focusing on appropriate content to accomplish a goal.



Digital Tools

- *Mind Mapping Application* - ReadWriteThink, Popplet, Padlet, Simple Mind+ Mind Mapping, Inspiration Maps, Mindomo, iMindMap Kids, Mural, Lucidchart, Bubbl.us
- *Presentation* - Keynote, Google Slides, Microsoft PowerPoint
- *Design tools* - Canva, Web Poster Wizard, Collage Maker



In Practice

- Students will use a presentation tool to present both sides of a subject.
- Students should present their presentation to the class.

READING & WRITING PROCESS

READING



7.2.R.1 Students will create an objective summary, including main idea and supporting details, while maintaining meaning and a logical sequence of events.

7.2.R.2 Students will analyze details in literary and nonfiction/informational texts to distinguish genres.

7.2.R.3 Students will paraphrase main ideas with supporting details in a text.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a FakeNewPaper focusing on summarization and supporting details.



Digital Tools

- *Newsmaker* - [FakeNewspaperMaker](#)
- *Content Library* - [Newsela](#), [Epic!](#), [Time for Kids](#), [Lit2Go](#),
- *Presentation* - [Keynote](#), [Google Slides](#), [Microsoft PowerPoint](#)



In Practice

- Provide students with articles from Newsela or similar site.
- Using the FakeNewsPaper Maker students can create a new article that incorporates objective summaries, main idea, text features, and a logical sequence of events.
- Students can put their FakeNewsPaper creations together in a presentation to share with class or teacher.

WRITING



7.2.W.1 Students will apply components of a recursive writing process for multiple purposes to create a focused, organized, and coherent piece of writing.

7.2.W.2 Students will plan (e.g., outline) and prewrite a first draft as necessary.

7.2.W.3 Students will develop drafts by choosing an organizational structure (e.g., description, compare/contrast, sequential, problem/solution, cause/effect, etc.) and building on ideas in multi-paragraph essays.

7.2.W.4 Students will edit and revise multiple drafts for organization, transitions to improve coherence and meaning, using a consistent point of view.

7.2.W.5 Students will use resources to find correct spellings of words (e.g., word wall, vocabulary notebook, print and electronic dictionaries, and spell-check).



Evidence of Understanding

Students will edit and revised an essay to improve coherency and meaning.



Digital Tools

- *Word Processor* - Pages, Google Docs, Microsoft Word



In Practice

- Students will write to a prompt, provide and incorporate peer review effectively, and revise their work based on feedback.

CRITICAL READING & WRITING

READING



7.3.R.1 Students will compare and contrast stated or implied purposes of authors writing on the same topic in grade-level literary and/or informational texts.

7.3.R.2 Students will evaluate how the point of view and perspective affect grade-level literary and/or informational text.

7.3.R.3 Students will analyze how key literary elements contribute to the meaning of the literary work:

- setting
- plot
- characters (i.e., protagonist, antagonist)
- characterization
- theme
- conflict (i.e., internal and external)

7.3.R.4 Students will evaluate literary devices to support interpretations of literary texts:

- simile
- metaphor
- personification
- onomatopoeia
- hyperbole
- imagery
- symbolism*
- tone
- irony* Students will find textual evidence when provided with examples.

7.3.R.5 Students will distinguish factual claims from opinions.

7.3.R.6 Students will analyze the structures of texts (e.g., compare/contrast, problem/solution, cause/effect, claims/evidence) and content by making inferences about texts and use textual evidence to draw simple logical conclusions.

7.3.R.7 Students will make connections (e.g., thematic links) between and across multiple texts and provide textual evidence to support their inference.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will use social medial to make connections between multiple texts.



Digital Tools

- *Digital profiles-* Farcebook, Twister, Snapsr, Simitator, iFakeText



In Practice

- Students will create social media posts that respond to current events.

WRITING: NARRATIVE



7.3.W.1 Students will write narratives incorporating characters, plot, setting, point of view, conflict, dialogue, and sensory details to convey experiences and events.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a piece of narrative writing.



Digital Tools

- *Story Telling* - Canva Comic Strip Maker, Book Creator, Seesaw, Pages, Write About This, Google Docs
- *Comic Maker* - Comic Touch 2, Comic Puppets, Canva Comic Strip Maker, Powtoon, Comic Strip - Comic Maker, Make Beliefs Comix, Toontastic,



In Practice

- Students will create a narrative storyboard using a comic strip maker.
- Students will share their storyboards in small groups.

WRITING: INFORMATIVE



7.3.W.2 Students will compose essays and reports about topics, incorporating evidence (e.g., specific facts, examples, details) and maintaining an organized structure and a formal style.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a newscast based on a specific topic.



Digital Tools

- *Video Editor-* Clips, WeVideo, Flipgrid, iMovie, Loom, PowerDirector, Do-Ink, Storyblocks, Majisto, Adobe Spark Video



In Practice

- Students will turn research into a news broadcast.

WRITING: ARGUMENT



7.3.W.3 Students will introduce a claim and organize reasons and evidence, using credible sources.

7.3.W.4 Students will show relationships among the claim, reasons, and evidence.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a meme showing relationship among claim, reason and evidence.



Digital Tools

- *Presentation* - [Keynote](#), [Google Slides](#), [Microsoft PowerPoint](#)
- *Meme Creator* - [Kapwing](#), [Meme Generator](#), [Canva](#), [Clideo](#)



In Practice

- Students will use meme tools to create a meme that demonstrates how claim, reason and evidence are connected.

VOCABULARY

READING



7.4.R.1 Students will increase knowledge of academic, domain-appropriate, grade-level vocabulary to infer meaning of grade-level text.

7.4.R.2 Students will use word parts (e.g., affixes, Greek and Latin roots, stems) to define and determine the meaning of increasingly complex words.

7.4.R.3 Students will use context clues to determine or clarify the meaning of words or distinguish among multiple-meaning words.

7.4.R.4 Students will infer the relationships among words with multiple meanings and recognize the connotation and denotation of words.

7.4.R.5 Students will use a dictionary, glossary, or a thesaurus (print and/or electronic) to determine or clarify the meanings, syllabication, pronunciation, synonyms, and parts of speech of words.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will use a graphic organizer to show relationship among words with multiple meanings, connotation, denotation and meaning of complex words.



Digital Tools

- *Graphic Organizers* -, Inspiration Maps, ReadWriteThink, Simple Minds Mind Mapping



In Practice

- Using a graphic organizer tool students will research the origin of the word noting the definition as well as any associations the word calls to mind.
- Students will need to list an antonym, synonym, part of speech for the word as well as an illustration.

WRITING



7.4.W.1 Students will use domain-appropriate vocabulary to communicate ideas in writing clearly.

7.4.W.2 Students will select appropriate language to create a specific effect according to purpose in writing .



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create an essay for multiple purposes.



Digital Tools

- *Word Processor* - Pages, Google Docs, Microsoft Word, Notes
- *Digital Portfolio* - Seesaw, Google Classroom



In Practice

- Teacher will draft an essay for a specific purpose and follow the recursive writing process.
- Students will keep all writing in a digital portfolio for later review.

LANGUAGE

READING



7.5.R.1 Students will recognize the correct use of prepositional phrases and dependent clauses.

7.5.R.2 Students will recognize simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences to signal differing relationships among ideas.

7.5.R.3 Students will recognize the subject and verb agreement.

7.5.R.4 Students will recognize and correct misplaced and dangling modifiers.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will illustrate sentences that have misplaced and dangling modifiers.



Digital Tools

- *Sketch* - Sketches School, Notes, ibis, Absolute Board, Google Draw, Auto Draw, Do-Ink, Paper by 53 Web Paint



In Practice

- Teacher will provide students with example sentences that have been written with dangling/misplaced modifiers.
- Students will use a sketch application to draw an illustration of the poorly written sentence as it has been given to them by the teacher.

WRITING



7.5.W.1 Students will write using correct mechanics with a focus on commas, apostrophes, quotation marks, colons, and semi-colons.

7.5.W.2 Students will compose simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences and questions to signal differing relationships among ideas.

7.5.W.3 Students will use prepositional phrases and clauses (e.g., dependent and independent) in writing.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a flow chart that shows the evolution of a simple sentence into a compound, complex, and compound-complex sentence.



Digital Tools

- *Presentation* - [Keynote](#), [Google Slides](#), [Microsoft PowerPoint](#)
- *Flowchart Generator* - [Lucidchart](#), [Bubbl.us](#)



In Practice

- Students will create a flowchart showing the structure of the different types of sentences.
- Students start with a simple sentence then using the same sentence create compound sentence and etc.
- Students need to be prepared to share their flow charts with the class.

RESEARCH

READING



7.6.R.1 Students will use their own viable research questions and thesis statements to find information about a specific topic.

7.6.R.2 Students will follow ethical and legal guidelines for finding and recording information from a variety of primary and secondary sources (e.g., print and digital).

7.6.R.3 Students will determine the relevance, reliability, and validity of the information gathered.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create an infographic over a topic displaying a variety of credible resources.



Digital Tools

- *Presentation* - Keynote, Google Slides, Microsoft PowerPoint
- *Sketch* - Sketches School, Notes, ibis, Absolute Board, Google Draw, Auto Draw, Do-Ink, Paper by 53, Web Paint
- *Design Tools* - Canva, Web Poster Wizard, Collage Maker



In Practice

- Students will formulate a research question gathering credible resources.
- Students will use an infographic to display their questions, answers, as well as a thesis statement.

WRITING



7.6.W.1 Students will write research papers and/or texts independently over extended periods of time (e.g., time for research, reflection, and revision) and for shorter timeframes (e.g., a single sitting or a day or two).

7.6.W.2 Students will refine and formulate a viable research question and report findings clearly and concisely, using a thesis statement.

7.6.W.3 Students will quote, paraphrase, and summarize findings following an appropriate citation style (e.g., MLA, APA, etc.) and avoiding plagiarism.

7.6.W.4 Students will summarize and present information in a report.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will summarizing information they have found over a given topic and present the information in a report.



Digital Tools

- *Word Processor* - Pages, Google Docs, Microsoft Word
- *Digital Portfolio* - Seesaw, Google Classroom, Canvas



In Practice

- The teacher will provide a list of relevant, high-interest topics for students to choose from (i.e. school dress code, test exemptions, cell phones in class, etc.).
- Students will choose one of the topics and gather information on the topic from a number of resources to be determined by the teacher.
- Using a word processor, students will create a one page summary of their findings, including a list of resources/links that they will present to the class.

MULTIMODAL LITERACIES

READING



7.7.R.1 Students will compare and contrast the effectiveness of techniques used in a variety of written, oral, visual, digital, non-verbal, and interactive texts to generate and answer literal, interpretive, and applied questions to create new understandings.

7.7.R.2 Students will analyze the impact of selected media and formats on meaning.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a poster comparing and contrasting texts to generate and answer questions.



Digital Tools

- *Word Processor* - Pages, Microsoft Word, Google Docs
- *Student Response* - Flipgrid, Kahoot, Quizizz, Plickers, Google Forms
- *Design Tools* - Canva, Web Poster Wizard, Collage Maker



In Practice

- Teacher will provide the students with a variety of different texts that share common themes. (i.e. generational poverty, coming of age)
- Students will create a graphic organizer to compare/contrast the differences in the text.

WRITING



7.7.W.1 Students will select, organize, or create multimodal content to compliment and extend meaning for a selected topic.

7.7.W.2 Students will utilize multimedia to clarify information and strengthen claims or evidence.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a TikTok style video to defend a claim using relevant evidence.



Digital Tools

- *Video Editor* - Clips, WeVideo, Flipgrid, iMovie, Loom, PowerDirector, MajistoClips, Do-Ink, Storyblocks, Majisto, Adobe Spark Video



In Practice

- Given a claim, students will make a short (15 sec) TikTok style video to defend the claim using reliable evidence.

INDEPENDENT READING & WRITING

READING



7.8.R Students will select appropriate texts for specific purposes and read independently for extended periods of time.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create a fake media post over a piece of literature.



Digital Tools

- *Design Tools* - Canva, Web Poster Wizard, Collage Maker
- *Digital Profiles* - Farcebook, Twister , Snapsr, Simitator, iFakeText, Fakebook
- *Photo Editor* - Pic Collage, Adobe Spark, Canva, Phonto, Mematic Meme Maker, Pics for Learning, Photo for Class, PhotoScissors.com



In Practice

- Students will select a piece of literature over a specific topic to read.
- Students will create a fake social media post (Twitter) summarizing the piece of literature.
- Students will create a picture support their post.

WRITING



7.8.W Students will write independently over extended periods of time (e.g., time for research, reflection, and revision) and for shorter timeframes (e.g., a single sitting or a day or two), vary their modes of expression to suit audience and task, and discover different perspectives.



Evidence of Understanding

Students will create an online journal to utilize and maintain throughout the school year.



Digital Tools

- Design tools - Canva, Web Poster Wizard, Collage Maker, Book Creator
- Portfolio Application - Seesaw, Google Classroom, Canvas



In Practice

- Students will design an online journal using Book Creator (or something similar).
- Students will use online journal to keep written record of original works developed throughout the year.
- Students can create illustrate or design journal covers.

RESOURCES

TEACHER RESOURCES

- [Common Sense Media for Education](#)
- [Educators Lead with Jay Willis](#)
- [Epic](#)
- [Glogster](#)
- [Lit2Go](#)
- [Literacy](#)
- [Reading Rockets](#)
- [Read Write and Think](#)
- [Read Works](#)
- [Scholastic](#)
- [Storynory - Stories for Kids](#)
- [Visuwords](#)
- [Vocabulary Spelling City](#)

STUDENT RESOURCES

- [Book Creator](#)
- [Comic Book](#)
- [Creative Book Builder](#)
- [Cursive Words](#)
- [Dragon Anywhere](#)
- [Fact Fragment Frenzy](#)
- [FlipBook](#)
- [Inspiration Maps](#)
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