



## Can Do Descriptors: Grade Level Cluster PreK-K

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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
LISTENING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match oral language to classroom and everyday objects</li> <li>Point to stated pictures in context</li> <li>Respond non-verbally to oral commands or statements (e.g., through physical movement)</li> <li>Find familiar people and places named orally</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sort pictures or objects according to oral instructions</li> <li>Match pictures, objects or movements to oral descriptions</li> <li>Follow one-step oral directions (e.g., “stand up”; “sit down”)</li> <li>Identify simple patterns described orally</li> <li>Respond with gestures to songs, chants, or stories modeled by teachers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow two-step oral directions, one step at a time</li> <li>Draw pictures in response to oral instructions</li> <li>Respond non-verbally to confirm or deny facts (e.g., thumbs up, thumbs down)</li> <li>Act out songs and stories using gestures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find pictures that match oral descriptions</li> <li>Follow oral directions and compare with visual or nonverbal models (e.g., “Draw a circle under the line.”)</li> <li>Distinguish between what happens first and next in oral activities or readings</li> <li>Role play in response to stories read aloud</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order pictures of events according to sequential language</li> <li>Arrange objects or pictures according to descriptive oral discourse</li> <li>Identify pictures/realia associated with grade-level academic concepts from oral descriptions</li> <li>Make patterns from real objects or pictures based on detailed oral descriptions</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Listening expectations below:
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SPEAKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify people or objects in illustrated short stories</li> <li>Repeat words, simple phrases</li> <li>Answer yes/no questions about personal information</li> <li>Name classroom and everyday objects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restate some facts from illustrated short stories</li> <li>Describe pictures, classroom objects or familiar people using simple phrases</li> <li>Answer questions with one or two words (e.g., "Where is Sonia?")</li> <li>Complete phrases in rhymes, songs, and chants</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retell short narrative stories through pictures</li> <li>Repeat sentences from rhymes and patterned stories</li> <li>Make predictions (e.g. "What will happen next?")</li> <li>Answer explicit questions from stories read aloud (e.g., who, what, or where)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retell narrative stories through pictures with emerging detail</li> <li>Sing repetitive songs and chants independently</li> <li>Compare attributes of real objects (e.g., size, shape, color)</li> <li>Indicate spatial relations of real-life objects using phrases or short sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tell original stories with emerging detail</li> <li>Explain situations (e.g., involving feelings)</li> <li>Offer personal opinions</li> <li>Express likes, dislikes, or preferences with reasons</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Speaking expectations below:
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READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match icons and symbols to corresponding pictures</li> <li>Identify name in print</li> <li>Find matching words or pictures</li> <li>Find labeled real-life classroom objects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match examples of the same form of print</li> <li>Distinguish between same and different forms of print (e.g., single letters and symbols)</li> <li>Demonstrate concepts of print (e.g., left to right movement, beginning/end, or top/bottom of page)</li> <li>Match labeled pictures to those in illustrated scenes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use pictures to identify words</li> <li>Classify visuals according to labels or icons (e.g., animals v. plants)</li> <li>Demonstrate concepts of print (e.g., title, author, illustrator)</li> <li>Sort labeled pictures by attribute (e.g., number, initial sound)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify some high-frequency words in context</li> <li>Order a series of labeled pictures described orally to tell stories</li> <li>Match pictures to phrases/short sentences</li> <li>Classify labeled pictures by two attributes (e.g., size and color)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find school-related vocabulary items</li> <li>Differentiate between letters, words, and sentences</li> <li>String words together to make short sentences</li> <li>Indicate features of words, phrases, or sentences that are the same and different</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Reading expectations below:
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WRITING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw pictures and scribble</li> <li>• Circle or underline pictures, symbols, and numbers</li> <li>• Trace figures and letters</li> <li>• Make symbols, figures or letters from models and realia (e.g., straws, clay)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect oral language to print (e.g., language experience)</li> <li>• Reproduce letters, symbols, and numbers from models in context</li> <li>• Copy icons of familiar environmental print</li> <li>• Draw objects from models and label with letters</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate using letters, symbols, and numbers in context</li> <li>• Make illustrated “notes” and cards with distinct letter combinations</li> <li>• Make connections between speech and writing</li> <li>• Reproduce familiar words from labeled models or illustrations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Produce symbols and strings of letters associated with pictures</li> <li>• Draw pictures and use words to tell a story</li> <li>• Label familiar people and objects from models</li> <li>• Produce familiar words/phrases from environmental print and illustrated text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create content-based representations through pictures and words</li> <li>• Make “story books” with drawings and words</li> <li>• Produce words/phrases independently</li> <li>• Relate everyday experiences using phrases/short sentences</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Writing expectations below:
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LISTENING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow modeled, one-step oral directions (e.g., “Find a pencil.”)</li> <li>Identify pictures of everyday objects as stated orally (e.g., in books)</li> <li>Point to real-life objects reflective of content-related vocabulary or oral statements</li> <li>Mimic gestures or movement associated with statements (e.g., “This is my left hand.”)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match oral reading of stories to illustrations</li> <li>Carry out two- to three-step oral commands (e.g., “Take out your science book. Now turn to page 25.”)</li> <li>Sequence a series of oral statements using real objects or pictures</li> <li>Locate objects described orally</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow modeled multi-step oral directions</li> <li>Sequence pictures of stories read aloud (e.g., beginning, middle, and end)</li> <li>Match people with jobs or objects with functions based on oral descriptions</li> <li>Classify objects according to descriptive oral statements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare/contrast objects according to physical attributes (e.g., size, shape, color) based on oral information</li> <li>Find details in illustrated, narrative, or expository text read aloud</li> <li>Identify illustrated activities from oral descriptions</li> <li>Locate objects, figures, places based on visuals and detailed oral descriptions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use context clues to gain meaning from grade-level text read orally</li> <li>Apply ideas from oral discussions to new situations</li> <li>Interpret information from oral reading of narrative or expository text</li> <li>Identify ideas/concepts expressed with grade-level content-specific language</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Listening expectations below:
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SPEAKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repeat simple words, phrases, and memorized chunks of language</li> <li>Respond to visually-supported (e.g., calendar) questions of academic content with one word or phrase</li> <li>Identify and name everyday objects</li> <li>Participate in whole group chants and songs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use first language to fill in gaps in oral English (code switch)</li> <li>Repeat facts or statements</li> <li>Describe what people do from action pictures (e.g., jobs of community workers)</li> <li>Compare real-life objects (e.g., “smaller,” “biggest”)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ask questions of a social nature</li> <li>Express feelings (e.g., “I’m happy because...”)</li> <li>Retell simple stories from picture cues</li> <li>Sort and explain grouping of objects (e.g., sink v. float)</li> <li>Make predictions or hypotheses</li> <li>Distinguish features of content-based phenomena (e.g., caterpillar, butterfly)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ask questions for social and academic purposes</li> <li>Participate in class discussions on familiar social and academic topics</li> <li>Retell stories with details</li> <li>Sequence stories with transitions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use academic vocabulary in class discussions</li> <li>Express and support ideas with examples</li> <li>Give oral presentations on content-based topics approaching grade level</li> <li>Initiate conversation with peers and teachers</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Speaking expectations below:
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READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify symbols, icons, and environmental print</li> <li>Connect print to visuals</li> <li>Match real-life familiar objects to labels</li> <li>Follow directions using diagrams or pictures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Search for pictures associated with word patterns</li> <li>Identify and interpret pre-taught labeled diagrams</li> <li>Match voice to print by pointing to icons, letters, or illustrated words</li> <li>Sort words into word families</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make text-to-self connections with prompting</li> <li>Select titles to match a series of pictures</li> <li>Sort illustrated content words into categories</li> <li>Match phrases and sentences to pictures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Put words in order to form sentences</li> <li>Identify basic elements of fictional stories (e.g., title, setting, characters)</li> <li>Follow sentence-level directions</li> <li>Distinguish between general and specific language (e.g., flower v. rose) in context</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin using features of non-fiction text to aid comprehension</li> <li>Use learning strategies (e.g., context clues)</li> <li>Identify main ideas</li> <li>Match figurative language to illustrations (e.g., “as big as a house”)</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Reading expectations below:
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WRITING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copy written language</li> <li>Use first language (L1, when L1 is a medium of instruction) to help form words in English</li> <li>Communicate through drawings</li> <li>Label familiar objects or pictures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide information using graphic organizers</li> <li>Generate lists of words/phrases from banks or walls</li> <li>Complete modeled sentence starters (e.g., "I like ____.")</li> <li>Describe people, places, or objects from illustrated examples and models</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage in prewriting strategies (e.g., use of graphic organizers)</li> <li>Form simple sentences using word/phrase banks</li> <li>Participate in interactive journal writing</li> <li>Give content-based information using visuals or graphics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce original sentences</li> <li>Create messages for social purposes (e.g., get well cards)</li> <li>Compose journal entries about personal experiences</li> <li>Use classroom resources (e.g., picture dictionaries) to compose sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a related series of sentences in response to prompts</li> <li>Produce content-related sentences</li> <li>Compose stories</li> <li>Explain processes or procedures using connected sentences</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Writing expectations below:
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LISTENING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Point to stated pictures, words, or phrases</li> <li>Follow one-step oral directions (e.g., physically or through drawings)</li> <li>Identify objects, figures, people from oral statements or questions (e.g., “Which one is a rock?”)</li> <li>Match classroom oral language to daily routines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Categorize content-based pictures or objects from oral descriptions</li> <li>Arrange pictures or objects per oral information</li> <li>Follow two-step oral directions</li> <li>Draw in response to oral descriptions</li> <li>Evaluate oral information (e.g., about lunch options)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow multi-step oral directions</li> <li>Identify illustrated main ideas from paragraph-level oral discourse</li> <li>Match literal meanings of oral descriptions or oral reading to illustrations</li> <li>Sequence pictures from oral stories, processes, or procedures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret oral information and apply to new situations</li> <li>Identify illustrated main ideas and supporting details from oral discourse</li> <li>Infer from and act on oral information</li> <li>Role play the work of authors, mathematicians, scientists, historians from oral readings, videos, or multi-media</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carry out oral instructions containing grade-level, content-based language</li> <li>Construct models or use manipulatives to problem-solve based on oral discourse</li> <li>Distinguish between literal and figurative language in oral discourse</li> <li>Form opinions of people, places, or ideas from oral scenarios</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Listening expectations below:
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SPEAKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Express basic needs or conditions</li> <li>Name pre-taught objects, people, diagrams, or pictures</li> <li>Recite words or phrases from pictures of everyday objects and oral modeling</li> <li>Answer yes/no and choice questions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ask simple, everyday questions (e.g., “Who is absent?”)</li> <li>Restate content-based facts</li> <li>Describe pictures, events, objects, or people using phrases or short sentences</li> <li>Share basic social information with peers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answer simple content-based questions</li> <li>Re/tell short stories or events</li> <li>Make predictions or hypotheses from discourse</li> <li>Offer solutions to social conflict</li> <li>Present content-based information</li> <li>Engage in problem-solving</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answer opinion questions with supporting details</li> <li>Discuss stories, issues, and concepts</li> <li>Give content-based oral reports</li> <li>Offer creative solutions to issues/problems</li> <li>Compare/contrast content-based functions and relationships</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Justify/defend opinions or explanations with evidence</li> <li>Give content-based presentations using technical vocabulary</li> <li>Sequence steps in grade-level problem-solving</li> <li>Explain in detail results of inquiry (e.g., scientific experiments)</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Speaking expectations below:
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READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match icons or diagrams with words/concepts</li> <li>Identify cognates from first language, as applicable</li> <li>Make sound/symbol/word relations</li> <li>Match illustrated words/phrases in differing contexts (e.g., on the board, in a book)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify facts and explicit messages from illustrated text</li> <li>Find changes to root words in context</li> <li>Identify elements of story grammar (e.g., characters, setting)</li> <li>Follow visually supported written directions (e.g., “Draw a star in the sky.”)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret information or data from charts and graphs</li> <li>Identify main ideas and some details</li> <li>Sequence events in stories or content-based processes</li> <li>Use context clues and illustrations to determine meaning of words/phrases</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classify features of various genres of text (e.g., “and they lived happily ever after” — fairy tales)</li> <li>Match graphic organizers to different texts (e.g., compare/contrast with Venn diagram)</li> <li>Find details that support main ideas</li> <li>Differentiate between fact and opinion in narrative and expository text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarize information from multiple related sources</li> <li>Answer analytical questions about grade-level text</li> <li>Identify, explain, and give examples of figures of speech</li> <li>Draw conclusions from explicit and implicit text at or near grade level</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Reading expectations below:
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WRITING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Label objects, pictures, or diagrams from word/phrase banks</li> <li>Communicate ideas by drawing</li> <li>Copy words, phrases, and short sentences</li> <li>Answer oral questions with single words</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make lists from labels or with peers</li> <li>Complete/produce sentences from word/phrase banks or walls</li> <li>Fill in graphic organizers, charts, and tables</li> <li>Make comparisons using real-life or visually-supported materials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce simple expository or narrative text</li> <li>String related sentences together</li> <li>Compare/contrast content-based information</li> <li>Describe events, people, processes, procedures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take notes using graphic organizers</li> <li>Summarize content-based information</li> <li>Author multiple forms of writing (e.g., expository, narrative, persuasive) from models</li> <li>Explain strategies or use of information in solving problems</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce extended responses of original text approaching grade level</li> <li>Apply content-based information to new contexts</li> <li>Connect or integrate personal experiences with literature/content</li> <li>Create grade-level stories or reports</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Writing expectations below:
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LISTENING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow one-step oral commands/instructions</li> <li>Match social language to visual/graphic displays</li> <li>Identify objects, people, or places from oral statements/questions using gestures (e.g., pointing)</li> <li>Match instructional language with visual representation (e.g., "Use a sharpened pencil.")</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow multi-step oral commands/instructions</li> <li>Classify/sort content-related visuals per oral descriptions</li> <li>Sequence visuals per oral directions</li> <li>Identify information on charts or tables based on oral statements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Categorize content-based examples from oral directions</li> <li>Match main ideas of familiar text read aloud to visuals</li> <li>Use learning strategies described orally</li> <li>Identify everyday examples of content-based concepts described orally</li> <li>Associate oral language with different time frames (e.g., past, present, future)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify main ideas and details of oral discourse</li> <li>Complete content-related tasks or assignments based on oral discourse</li> <li>Apply learning strategies to new situations</li> <li>Role play, dramatize, or re-enact scenarios from oral reading</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use oral information to accomplish grade-level tasks</li> <li>Evaluate intent of speech and act accordingly</li> <li>Make inferences from grade-level text read aloud</li> <li>Discriminate among multiple genres read orally</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Listening expectations below:
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SPEAKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answer yes/no and choice questions</li> <li>Begin to use general and high frequency vocabulary</li> <li>Repeat words, short phrases, memorized chunks</li> <li>Answer select WH-questions (e.g., “who,” “what,” “when,” “where”) within context of lessons or personal experiences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convey content through high frequency words/phrases</li> <li>State big/main ideas of classroom conversation</li> <li>Describe situations from modeled sentences</li> <li>Describe routines and everyday events</li> <li>Express everyday needs and wants</li> <li>Communicate in social situations</li> <li>Make requests</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin to express time through multiple tenses</li> <li>Retell/rephrase ideas from speech</li> <li>Give brief oral content-based presentations</li> <li>State opinions</li> <li>Connect ideas in discourse using transitions (e.g., “but,” “then”)</li> <li>Use different registers inside and outside of class</li> <li>State big/main ideas with some supporting details</li> <li>Ask for clarification (e.g., self-monitor)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paraphrase and summarize ideas presented orally</li> <li>Defend a point of view</li> <li>Explain outcomes</li> <li>Explain and compare content-based concepts</li> <li>Connect ideas with supporting details/evidence</li> <li>Substantiate opinions with reasons and evidence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Defend a point of view and give reasons</li> <li>Use and explain metaphors and similes</li> <li>Communicate with fluency in social and academic contexts</li> <li>Negotiate meaning in group discussions</li> <li>Discuss and give examples of abstract, content-based ideas (e.g., democracy, justice)</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Speaking expectations below:
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## Can Do Descriptors: Grade Level Cluster 6-8

For the given level of English language proficiency and with visual, graphic, or interactive support through Level 4, English language learners can process or produce the **language** needed to:

	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Associate letters with sounds and objects</li> <li>Match content-related objects/pictures to words</li> <li>Identify common symbols, signs, and words</li> <li>Recognize concepts of print</li> <li>Find single word responses to WH-questions (e.g., “who,” “what,” “when,” “where”) related to illustrated text</li> <li>Use picture dictionaries/illustrated glossaries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sequence illustrated text of fictional and non-fictional events</li> <li>Locate main ideas in a series of simple sentences</li> <li>Find information from text structure (e.g., titles, graphs, glossary)</li> <li>Follow text read aloud (e.g., tapes, teacher, paired-readings)</li> <li>Sort/group pre-taught words/phrases</li> <li>Use pre-taught vocabulary (e.g., word banks) to complete simple sentences</li> <li>Use L1 to support L2 (e.g., cognates)</li> <li>Use bilingual dictionaries and glossaries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify topic sentences, main ideas, and details in paragraphs</li> <li>Identify multiple meanings of words in context (e.g., “cell,” “table”)</li> <li>Use context clues</li> <li>Make predictions based on illustrated text</li> <li>Identify frequently used affixes and root words to make/extract meaning (e.g., “un-,” “re-,” “-ed”)</li> <li>Differentiate between fact and opinion</li> <li>Answer questions about explicit information in texts</li> <li>Use English dictionaries and glossaries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order paragraphs</li> <li>Identify summaries of passages</li> <li>Identify figurative language (e.g., “dark as night”)</li> <li>Interpret adapted classics or modified text</li> <li>Match cause to effect</li> <li>Identify specific language of different genres and informational texts</li> <li>Use an array of strategies (e.g., skim and scan for information)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Differentiate and apply multiple meanings of words/phrases</li> <li>Apply strategies to new situations</li> <li>Infer meaning from modified grade-level text</li> <li>Critique material and support argument</li> <li>Sort grade-level text by genre</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Reading expectations below:
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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
WRITING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw content-related pictures</li> <li>• Produce high frequency words</li> <li>• Label pictures and graphs</li> <li>• Create vocabulary/ concept cards</li> <li>• Generate lists from pre-taught words/phrases and word banks (e.g., create menu from list of food groups)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete pattern sentences</li> <li>• Extend “sentence starters” with original ideas</li> <li>• Connect simple sentences</li> <li>• Complete graphic organizers/forms with personal information</li> <li>• Respond to yes/no, choice, and some WH-questions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Produce short paragraphs with main ideas and some details (e.g., column notes)</li> <li>• Create compound sentences (e.g., with conjunctions)</li> <li>• Explain steps in problem-solving</li> <li>• Compare/contrast information, events, characters</li> <li>• Give opinions, preferences, and reactions along with reasons</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create multiple-paragraph essays</li> <li>• Justify ideas</li> <li>• Produce content-related reports</li> <li>• Use details/examples to support ideas</li> <li>• Use transition words to create cohesive passages</li> <li>• Compose intro/body/ conclusion</li> <li>• Paraphrase or summarize text</li> <li>• Take notes (e.g., for research)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create expository text to explain graphs/charts</li> <li>• Produce research reports using multiple sources/ citations</li> <li>• Begin using analogies</li> <li>• Critique literary essays or articles</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Writing expectations below:
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## Can Do Descriptors: Grade Level Cluster 9-12

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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
LISTENING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Point to or show basic parts, components, features, characteristics, and properties of objects, organisms, or persons named orally</li> <li>Match everyday oral information to pictures, diagrams, or photographs</li> <li>Group visuals by common traits named orally (e.g., “These are polygons.”)</li> <li>Identify resources, places, products, figures from oral statements, and visuals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match or classify oral descriptions to real-life experiences or visually-represented, content-related examples</li> <li>Sort oral language statements according to time frames</li> <li>Sequence visuals according to oral directions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate information in social and academic conversations</li> <li>Distinguish main ideas from supporting points in oral, content-related discourse</li> <li>Use learning strategies described orally</li> <li>Categorize content-based examples described orally</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distinguish between multiple meanings of oral words or phrases in social and academic contexts</li> <li>Analyze content-related tasks or assignments based on oral discourse</li> <li>Categorize examples of genres read aloud</li> <li>Compare traits based on visuals and oral descriptions using specific and some technical language</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret cause and effect scenarios from oral discourse</li> <li>Make inferences from oral discourse containing satire, sarcasm, or humor</li> <li>Identify and react to subtle differences in speech and register (e.g., hyperbole, satire, comedy)</li> <li>Evaluate intent of speech and act accordingly</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Listening expectations below:
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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
SPEAKING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Answer yes/no or choice questions within context of lessons or personal experiences</li> <li>• Provide identifying information about self</li> <li>• Name everyday objects and pre-taught vocabulary</li> <li>• Repeat words, short phrases, memorized chunks of language</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe persons, places, events, or objects</li> <li>• Ask WH- questions to clarify meaning</li> <li>• Give features of content-based material (e.g., time periods)</li> <li>• Characterize issues, situations, regions shown in illustrations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggest ways to resolve issues or pose solutions</li> <li>• Compare/contrast features, traits, characteristics using general and some specific language</li> <li>• Sequence processes, cycles, procedures, or events</li> <li>• Conduct interviews or gather information through oral interaction</li> <li>• Estimate, make predictions or pose hypotheses from models</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take a stance and use evidence to defend it</li> <li>• Explain content-related issues and concepts</li> <li>• Compare and contrast points of view</li> <li>• Analyze and share pros and cons of choices</li> <li>• Use and respond to gossip, slang, and idiomatic expressions</li> <li>• Use speaking strategies (e.g., circumlocution)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give multimedia oral presentations on grade-level material</li> <li>• Engage in debates on content-related issues using technical language</li> <li>• Explain metacognitive strategies for solving problems (e.g., “Tell me how you know it.”)</li> <li>• Negotiate meaning in pairs or group discussions</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Speaking expectations below:
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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
READING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match visual representations to words/phrases</li> <li>Read everyday signs, symbols, schedules, and school-related words/phrases</li> <li>Respond to WH-questions related to illustrated text</li> <li>Use references (e.g., picture dictionaries, bilingual glossaries, technology)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Match data or information with its source or genre (e.g., description of element to its symbol on periodic table)</li> <li>Classify or organize information presented in visuals or graphs</li> <li>Follow multi-step instructions supported by visuals or data</li> <li>Match sentence-level descriptions to visual representations</li> <li>Compare content-related features in visuals and graphics</li> <li>Locate main ideas in a series of related sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply multiple meanings of words/phrases to social and academic contexts</li> <li>Identify topic sentences or main ideas and details in paragraphs</li> <li>Answer questions about explicit information in texts</li> <li>Differentiate between fact and opinion in text</li> <li>Order paragraphs or sequence information within paragraphs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare/contrast authors' points of view, characters, information, or events</li> <li>Interpret visually- or graphically-supported information</li> <li>Infer meaning from text</li> <li>Match cause to effect</li> <li>Evaluate usefulness of data or information supported visually or graphically</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret grade-level literature</li> <li>Synthesize grade-level expository text</li> <li>Draw conclusions from different sources of informational text</li> <li>Infer significance of data or information in grade-level material</li> <li>Identify evidence of bias and credibility of source</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Reading expectations below:
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	Level 1 Entering	Level 2 Beginning	Level 3 Developing	Level 4 Expanding	Level 5 Bridging	Level 6 Reaching
WRITING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Label content-related diagrams, pictures from word/phrase banks</li> <li>Provide personal information on forms read orally</li> <li>Produce short answer responses to oral questions with visual support</li> <li>Supply missing words in short sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make content-related lists of words, phrases, or expressions</li> <li>Take notes using graphic organizers or models</li> <li>Formulate yes/no, choice and WH-questions from models</li> <li>Correspond for social purposes (e.g., memos, e-mails, notes)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete reports from templates</li> <li>Compose short narrative and expository pieces</li> <li>Outline ideas and details using graphic organizers</li> <li>Compare and reflect on performance against criteria (e.g., rubrics)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarize content-related notes from lectures or text</li> <li>Revise work based on narrative or oral feedback</li> <li>Compose narrative and expository text for a variety of purposes</li> <li>Justify or defend ideas and opinions</li> <li>Produce content-related reports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produce research reports from multiple sources</li> <li>Create original pieces that represent the use of a variety of genres and discourses</li> <li>Critique, peer-edit and make recommendations on others' writing from rubrics</li> <li>Explain, with details, phenomena, processes, procedures</li> </ul>	Write in grade-level Writing expectations below:
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