## 4 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

The following pieces listed are used to teach 4th grade reading skills and reading comprehension, all of which correlate with North Carolina's 4th grade English/Language Arts standards.

- Writing, Grammar, and Usage
- Poems
  - o Some examples include but are not limited to
    - Dreams (Langston Hughes)
    - the Drum (Nikki Giovanni)
    - George Washington (Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benet)
    - Life Doesn't Frighten Me (Maya Angelou)
    - Paul Revere's Ride (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow)
- Fiction Stories
  - o Some examples include but are not limited to
    - The Fire on the Mountain (an Ethiopian folktale)
    - *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* and *Rip Van Winkle* (Washington Irving)
    - *Pollyanna* (Eleanor Porter)
    - Robinson Crusoe (Daniel Defoe)
    - *Treasure Island* (Robert Louis Stevenson)
- Myths and Mythical Characters
  - Legends of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table
- Speeches
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - Patrick Henry: "Give me Liberty or give me death"
    - Sojourner Truth: "Ain't I a woman?"
- Sayings & Phrases
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
    - As the crow flies
    - Beauty is only skin deep.
    - The bigger they are, the harder they fall.
    - Birds of a feather flock together.

## **HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY**

- World History
  - World Geography
  - o Europe in the Middle Ages
  - The Spread of Islam and the "Holy Wars"
  - Early and Medieval African Kingdoms
  - o China: Dynasties and Conquerors
- American History and Geography
  - o The American Revolution
  - Making a Constitutional Government

- Early Presidents and Politics
- o Reformers
  - Abolitionists
  - Dorothea Dix and the treatment of the insane
  - Horace Mann and public schools
  - Women's rights
  - Seneca Falls convention
  - Elizabeth Cady Stanton
  - Lucretia Mott
  - Amelia Bloomer
  - Sojourner Truth
- Symbols and Figures
  - Recognize and become familiar with the significance of
  - Spirit of '76 (painting)
  - White House and Capitol Building
  - Great Seal of the United States

### **MATHEMATICS**

- Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division.
- Use the four operations with whole numbers to solve problems.
- Gain familiarity with factors and multiples.
- Generate and analyze patterns.
- Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers.
- Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic.
- Extend understanding of fractions.
- Build fractions from unit fractions by applying and extending previous understandings of operations on whole numbers.
- Use unit fractions to understand operations of fractions.
- Understand decimal notation for fractions, and compare decimal fractions.
- Solve problems involving measurement.
- Solve problems involving area and perimeter
- Represent and interpret data.
- Understand concepts of angle and measure angles.
- Classify shapes based on lines and angles in two-dimensional figures.

### **SCIENCE**

- The Human Body
  - The Circulatory System
  - o The Respiratory System
- Chemistry: Basic Terms and Concepts
  - o Atoms
  - o Properties of Matter
  - o Elements
  - Solutions

- Electricity
- Geology: The Earth and Its Changes
  - The Earth's Layers
  - How Mountains Are Formed
  - Rocks
  - Weathering and Erosion
- Meteorology
- Science Biographies
  - Benjamin Banneker
  - o Elizabeth Blackwell
  - o Charles Drew
  - Michael Faraday

### 5 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

The following pieces listed are used to teach 5th grade reading skills and reading comprehension, all of which correlate with North Carolina's 5th grade English/Language Arts standards.

- Writing, Grammar, and Usage
- Poems
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - A bird came down the walk (Emily Dickinson)
    - I Hear America Singing (Walt Whitman)
    - I, too, sing America (Langston Hughes)
    - O Captain! My Captain! (Walt Whitman)
    - The Road Not Taken (Robert Frost)
- Fiction and Drama Stories
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* (Mark Twain)
    - episodes from *Don Quixote* (Miguel de Cervantes)
    - *Little Women* (Part First) (Louisa May Alcott)
    - *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* (Frederick Douglass)
    - A Tale of the Oki Islands (a legend from Japan, also known as "The Samurai's Daughter"
    - Native American trickster stories (for example, tales of Coyote, Raven or Grandmother Spider)
- Speeches
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - Abraham Lincoln: The Gettysburg Address
    - Chief Joseph (Highh'moot Tooyalakekt): "I will fight no more forever"
- Sayings and Phrases
  - Some examples include but are not limited to
    - Bite the hand that feeds you.
    - Chip on your shoulder
    - Count your blessings.
    - Eureka!

■ Every cloud has a silver lining.

### **MATHEMATICS**

- Write and interpret numerical expressions.
- Analyze patterns and relationships.
- Understand the place value system.
- Perform operations with multi-digit whole numbers.
- Perform operations with decimals.
- Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions.
- Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication and division to multiply and divide fractions.
- Convert like measurement units within a given measurement system.
- Represent and interpret data.
- Understand concepts of volume.
- Understand the coordinate plane.
- Classify quadrilaterals.

### **HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY**

- World History and Geography
  - World Geography
  - o Early American Civilizations
  - European Exploration, Trade, and the Clash of Cultures
  - The Renaissance and the Reformation
  - England from the Golden Age to the Glorious Revolution
  - Russia: Early Growth and Expansion
  - Feudal Japan
- American History and Geography
  - Westward Expansion
  - The Civil War: Causes, Conflicts, Consequences
  - o Native Americans: Cultures and Conflicts
  - o U.S. Geography

# **SCIENCE**

- Classifying Living Things
- Cells: Structures and Processes
- Plant Structures and Processes
- Life cycles and Reproduction
- The Human Body
  - o Changes in Human Adolescence
  - The Endocrine System
  - The Reproductive System
- Chemistry: Matter and Change
- Science Biographies

- o Galileo
- o Percy Lavon Julian
- o Ernest Just
- Carl Linnaeus

## 6 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

The following pieces listed are used to teach 6th grade reading skills and reading comprehension, all of which correlate with North Carolina's 6th grade English/Language Arts standards.

- Poems and Greek Myths from Realms of Gold, Vol 1
- Stories
  - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle "The Adventure of the Dancing Men"
  - o O. Henry "The Ransom of Red Chief"
  - o Edgar Allan Poe "The Cask of Amontillado"
  - o Saki (H. H. Munro) "The Open Window"
  - Mark Twain "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County"
- Essays
  - Henry David Thoreau –from Walden, "Where I Lived and What I Lived For"
  - Mark Twain "The Turning Point of My Life"
- Speeches
  - Susan B. Anthony "Are Women Persons?"
  - o William Jennings Bryan "The Cross of Gold"
  - W.E.B. Du Bois "Address at the Founding of the Niagara Movement"
  - o Red Cloud "Indian Rights"
  - o Booker T. Washington "Atlanta Exposition Address"
- Autobiography
  - Marcus Aurelius Antoninus His Meditations from Book 1, Parts 1-13
  - o Geronimo –selection from Geronimo: His Own Story
  - Chief Joseph The Fate of the Nez Percé Tribe
  - Mark Twain –selection from Life on the Mississippi
  - Booker T. Washington –selection from Up From Slavery
- Other Works
  - Homer, The Iliad and The Odyssey
  - Mark Twain, The Prince and the Pauper
  - William Shakespeare, Julius Caesar
  - o Karen Hesse, Letters From Rifka
  - o Lynne Reid Banks, *Tiger, Tiger*

#### **MATHEMATICS**

- Understand Ratio concepts and use ratio reasoning to solve problems
- Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication and division to divide fractions by fractions.
- Compute fluently with multi digit numbers and find common factors and

- multiples.
- Apply and extend previous understandings of numbers to the system of rational numbers.
- Apply and extend previous understandings of arithmetic to algebraic expressions.
- Reason about and solve one-variable equations.
- Reason about one variable inequalities.
- Represent and analyze quantitative relationships between dependent and independent variables.
- Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving area, surface area, and volume.
- Develop understanding of statistical variability.
- Summarize and describe distributions.

#### **SCIENCE**

- Properties of waves and the wavelike property of energy in earthquakes, light, and sound.
- Structure, classifications, and physical properties of matter.
- Characteristics of energy transfer and interactions of matter and energy.
- Earth/moon/sun system, and the properties, structures, and predictable motions of celestial bodies in the universe.
- Structure of the earth and how interactions of constructive and destructive forces have resulted in changes of the earth over time and the effects of the lithosphere on humans.
- Structures, processes, and behaviors of plants that enable them to survive and reproduce.
- Flow of energy through ecosystems and the responses of the populations to the biotic and abiotic factors in their environment.

### WORLD HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- Spatial Sense (Working with Maps, Globes, and Other Geographic Tools)
- Great Deserts of the World
- Lasting Ideas from Ancient Civilizations
  - Judaism and Christianity
  - Ancient Greece
  - Ancient Rome
- The Enlightenment
- The French Revolution
- Romanticism
- Industrialism, Capitalism, and Socialism
- Latin American Independence Movements
- Geography of Latin America

#### AMERICAN HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- Immigration, Industrialization, and Urbanization
  - Immigration
  - o Industrialization and Urbanization
  - Reform

## 7 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

The following pieces listed are used to teach 7th grade reading skills and reading comprehension, all of which correlate with North Carolina's 7th grade English/Language Arts standards.

- Poems from Realms of Gold, Vol. 2
- Stories
  - Guy De Maupassant "The Necklace"
  - Edgar Allan Poe "The Tell-Tale Heart," "The Purloined Letter"
  - o O. Henry "Gift of the Magi"
  - o F. Scott Fitzgerald "Bernice Bobs Her Hair"
  - o James Joyce "Araby"
  - o Guy De Maupassant "The Piece of String"
  - o Frank O'Connor "My Oedipus Complex"
  - Katherine Ann Porter "The Jilting of Granny Weatherall"
- Essays
  - George Orwell "Shooting an Elephant"
- Speeches
  - Franklin D. Roosevelt "Declaration of War Against Japan"
  - Winston Churchill "Blood Sweat and Tears"; "Their Finest Hour"
  - Huey Long "Every Man a King"
  - o George C. Marshall"European Unity"
  - Franklin Delano Roosevelt "The Four Freedoms"
  - Woodrow Wilson "The Fourteen Points"
- Autobiography
  - Benjamin Franklin —selection from *The Autobiography*
  - Helen Keller —selection from *The Story of My Life*
- Other Works
  - o Jack London, Call of the Wild
  - o Robert Stevenson, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
  - o Anne Frank, Diary of a Young Girl
  - Jack London, White Fang
  - o Lois Lowery, The Giver
  - o Mildred Taylor, Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
  - Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain

### **MATHEMATICS**

• Analyze proportional relationships and use them to solve real-world and mathematical problems.

- Apply and extend previous understandings of operations with fractions to add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers.
- Use properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions.
- Solve real-world and mathematical problems using numerical and algebraic expressions, equations, and inequalities.
- Draw, construct, and describe geometrical figures and describe the relationships between them.
- Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving angle measure, area, surface area, and volume.
- Use random sampling to draw inferences about a population.
- Make informal inferences to compare two populations.
- Investigate chance processes and develop, use, and evaluate probability models.

### **SCIENCE**

- Motion, the effects of forces on motion and the graphical representations of motion
- Forms of energy, energy transfer and transformation and conservation in mechanical systems.
- How the cycling of matter (water and gases) in and out of the atmosphere relates to Earth's atmosphere, weather and climate and the effects of the atmosphere on humans.
- The processes, structures and functions of living organisms that enable them to survive, reproduce and carry out the basic functions of life.
- The relationship of the mechanisms of cellular reproduction, patterns of inheritance and external factors to potential variation among offspring.

### HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- America Becomes a World Power
- World War I: "The Great War," 1914–1918
- The Russian Revolution
- America from the Twenties to the New Deal
- World War II
- Geography of the United States

## 8 ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

The following pieces listed are used to teach 8th grade reading skills and reading comprehension, all of which correlate with North Carolina's 8th grade English/Language Arts standards.

- Poems from Realms of Gold, Vol. 3
- Stories
  - o Anton Chekov "The Bet"
  - o Stephen Crane "The Open Boat"
  - o Fyodor Dostoyevsky "An Honest Thief"
  - Nathaniel Hawthorne "Dr. Heidegger's Experiment"
  - Leo Tolstov "God Sees the Truth But Waits"

- o Katherine Mansfield "The Garden Party"
- Leo Tolstoy "Master and Man"
- Eudora Welty "Why I Live at the P.O."

### Essays

- Martin Luther King Jr "Letter from Birmingham City Jail"
- o Rachel Carson "The Marginal World" —from The Edge of the Sea
- o John McPhee "Under the Snow"
- o Virginia Woolf "The Death of the Moth"

### Speeches

- o John F. Kennedy "Inaugural Address"
- o Martin Luther King Jr "I Have a Dream"
- Winston Churchill "The Sinews of Peace"
- o Albert Einstein "Peace in the Atomic Age"
- o Dwight Eisenhower "Farewell Address"
- William Faulkner "Acceptance of the Nobel Prize"
- Mahatma Gandhi "Non-cooperation"
- o Douglas MacArthur "Old Soldiers Never Die"
- Autobiography and Appendix
  - Richard Rodriguez selection from Hunger of Memory
  - The Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Other Works
  - o George Orwell, Animal Farm
  - o Ayn Rand, Anthem
  - o William Shakespeare, Romeo and Juilet
  - Jules Verne, Around the World in 80 Days
  - Homer Hickham, Rocket Boys

## **MATHEMATICS**

- Know that there are numbers that are not rational, and approximate them by rational numbers.
- Work with radicals and integer exponents.
- Analyze and solve linear equations and inequalities.
- Analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations.
- Define, evaluate, and compare functions.
- Use functions to model relationships between quantities.
- Understand congruence and similarity using physical models, transparencies, or geometry software
- Analyze angle relationships.
- Understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem.
- Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres.
- Investigate patterns of association in bivariate data.

### **SCIENCE**

- The properties of matter and changes that occur when matter interacts in an open and closed container
- The environmental implications associated with the various methods of obtaining, managing, and using energy resources.
- The hydrosphere and the impact of humans on local systems and the effects of the hydrosphere on humans.
- The history of Earth and its life forms based on evidence of change recorded in fossil records and landforms.
- The hazards caused by agents of diseases that affect living organisms.
- How biotechnology is used to affect living organisms.
- How organisms interact with and respond to the biotic and abiotic components of their environment.
- The evolution of organisms and landforms based on evidence, theories and processes that impact the Earth over time.
- The composition of various substances as it relates to their ability to serve as a source of energy and building materials for growth and repair of organisms.

### WORLD HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

- Ancient Civilizations
- The Romans, 600 B.C. A.D. 500
- The Byzantine Empire A.D. 50-800
- Islam and the Arab Empire, 600-1400
- Medieval Kingdoms in Europe, 800-1300
- Crusades and Culture in the Middle Ages, 1000-1500
- Pre-Columbian America, 300-1550
- The Renaissance in Europe, 1350-1600
- The Reformation in Europe, 1517-1600
- The Age of Exploration, 1500-1800
- The Muslim Empires, 1450-1800
- The East Asian World, 1400-1800
- The Enlightenment and Revolutions, 1550-1800
- The French Revolution and Napoleon, 1789-1815
- Industrialization and Nationalism, 1800-1870
- The Reach of Imperialism, 1800-1914
- World War 1 and the Russian Revolution, 1914-1919
- The West Between the Wars, 1919-1939
- Nationalism Around the World, 1919-1939
- World War II and the Holocaust, 1939-1945
- The Cold War, 1945-1989
- Life During the Cold War, 1945-1989