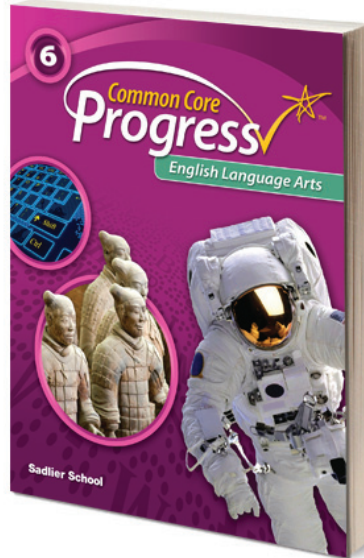SADLIER

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Production and Distribution of Writing

6.W.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)	**Unit 2 Text Types and Purposes: Write Nonfictional Narratives** **Read a Student Model/Write a Nonfictional Narrative:** Analyze a student model/organize and draft a nonfictional narrative—pp. 50–53 **Unit 2 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final draft of the nonfictional narrative started on p. 53—p. 60 **Unit 4 Text Types and Purposes: Write Informative/Explanatory Texts** **Read a Student Model/Outline an Informative/Explanatory Essay:** Analyze a student model/organize and draft an informative/explanatory essay—pp. 102–105 **Unit 4 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final draft of the informative/explanatory essay started on p. 105—p. 112 **Unit 6 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Evidence-Based Essays** **Read a Student Model/Outline an Evidence-Based Essay:** Analyze a student model/organize and draft an evidence-based essay—pp. 102–105 **Unit 4 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final draft of the evidence-based essay started on p. 105—p. 112 **Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces** **Read a Student Model/Outline an Opinion Piece:** Analyze a student model/organize and draft an opinion piece—pp. 206–209 **Unit 8 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final draft of the opinion essay started on p. 209—p. 216 **Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Research Reports** **Read a Student Model/Use Index Cards/Outline a Research Report:** Analyze a Student Model/Organize and Draft a Research Report—pp. 250–254 **Unit 10 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final copy of the research report started on p. 254—p. 260
6.W.5 With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1-3 up to and including grade 6 here.)	**Unit 2 Text Types and Purposes: Write Nonfictional Narratives** **Draft a Nonfictional Narrative**—p. 53 **Unit 2 Common Core Review:** Write the final draft—p. 60 **Unit 4 Text Types and Purposes: Write Informative/Explanatory Texts** **Draft an Informative/Explanatory Essay**—p. 105 **Unit 4 Common Core Review:** Write the final draft—p. 112 **Unit 6 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Evidence-Based Essays** **Draft an Evidence-Based Essay**—p. 157 **Unit 8 Common Core Review:** Write the final draft—p. 164

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	Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces **Draft an Opinion Piece**—p. 209 **Unit 8 Common Core Review:** Write the final draft—p. 216
	Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Research Reports **Draft a Research Report**—p. 254 **Unit 10 Common Core Review:** Write the final draft—p. 260
	Writing Handbook **Step 1: Planning**—pp. 300–302 **Step 2: Drafting**—p. 303 **Step 3: Revising**—pp. 304–305 **Step 4: Editing** (Editing Checklist/Proofreading Marks/Editing Tips)—p. 306–308
6.W.6 Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of three pages in a single sitting.	**Writing Handbook** **Step 1: Planning** (using a computer)—pp. 300–302 **Step 2: Drafting** (using a computer)—p. 303 **Step 3: Revising** (using a computer)—pp. 304–305 **Step 4: Editing** (using a computer)—p. 306–308 **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting** (using a computer)—pp. 309–310
	See also **Home Connect:** (using technology/Internet, also online activities: sadlierconnect.com)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262

Research to Build and Present Knowledge

6.W.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate.	**Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Research Reports** **Read a Student Model/Use Index Cards/Outline a Research Report:** Analyze a Student Model/Organize and Draft a Research Report—pp. 250–254 **Unit 10 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final copy of the research report started on p. 254—p. 260
	Writing Handbook **Step 1: Planning:** Planning and Research/Researching Your Topic—pp. 300–302
6.W.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources; assess the credibility of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and providing basic bibliographic information for sources.	**Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Research Reports** **Read a Student Model/Use Index Cards/Outline a Research Report:** Summarizing or Paraphrasing/ Taking Notes/Citing Credible and Reliable Sources—pp. 250–254 **Unit 10 Common Core Review:** Assignment: Write the final copy of the research report started on p. 254—p. 260
	Performance Task 1 **Part 3: Research Simulation**—pp. 311, 318–320
	Performance Task 2 **Part 3: Research Simulation**—pp. 321, 328–330
	Writing Handbook **Step 1: Planning:** Planning and Research/Researching Your Topic (paraphrasing and summarizing)—pp. 300–302

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6.W.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

- 6.W.9.a Apply *grade 6 Reading standards* to literature (e.g., "Compare and contrast texts in different forms or genres [e.g., stories and poems; historical novels and fantasy stories] in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics").

Unit 1 Reading Literature: Key Ideas and Details
Introducing Unit 1/Home Connect—pp. 9–10
Key Ideas and Details: Comprehension Check—pp. 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 33, 35, 39–41
Drawing Inferences: "Jabberwocky" by Lewis Carroll (Poem)/"The Walrus and the Carpenter" by Lewis Carroll (Poem)—pp. 12–19
Determining Theme: "My Cousin's *Quinceañera*" (Realistic Fiction)—pp. 20–27
Describing Plot: "The Man Who Loved to Laugh" (Drama)—pp. 28–35
Close Reading: "Crow Brings the Daylight" (Native American Inuit Myth)—pp. 36–41
Connect Across Texts: Compare and Contrast Texts—p. 42
Unit 1 Common Core Review: "The Cruel Crane Outwitted"/"The Talkative Tortoise"—pp. 44–46

Unit 5 Reading Literature: Craft and Structure
Introducing Unit 5/Home Connect—pp. 113–114
Craft and Structure: Comprehension Check—pp. 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 143–145
Analyzing Word Choice: "My Trip to China" (Fantasy)— pp. 116–123
Analyzing Text Structure: from *The Iliad,* Retold by Alfred Church (Epic)—pp. 124–131
Explaining Point of View: "Simorgh: A Retelling of an Ancient Persian Fairy Tale" (Adventure)— pp. 132–139
Close Reading: "The Horse of Wood," Retold by Alfred Church, from The Aeneid by Virgil (Epic)—pp. 140–145
Connect Across Texts Compare and Contrast Texts—p. 146
Unit 5 Common Core Review: "The Duel of Paris and Menelaus"/"The Meeting of Hector and Andromache"—pp. 148–150

Unit 9 Reading Literature: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
Introducing Unit 9/Home Connect—pp. 217–218
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: Comprehension Check—pp. 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 239–241
Comparing and Contrasting Versions: "Space Station: Special Effects Are the Star" (Movie Review)— pp. 220–227
Comparing and Contrasting Themes: "The Moon Is Not for Me" (Poem)—pp. 228–235
Close Reading: "The Bathysphere" (Historical Fiction)—pp. 236–241
Connect Across Texts: Compare and Contrast Texts—p. 242
Unit 9 Common Core Review: "The HMS *Challenger* Sails the Seas"/"Sea Fever"—pp. 244–246

Performance Task 1
Part 1: Literary Analysis—pp. 311–314
Part 2: Narrative Writing—pp. 311, 315–317

Performance Task 2
Part 1: Literary Analysis—pp. 321–324
Part 2: Narrative Writing—pp. 321, 325–327

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- **6.W.9.b** Apply *grade 6 Reading standards* to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not").

Unit 3 Reading Informational Text: Key Ideas and Details
Introducing Unit 3/Home Connect—pp. 61–62
Key Ideas and Details: Comprehension Check—pp. 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 91–93
Drawing Inferences: "Blood Types" by Dr. Miles Waverline (Science Magazine Article)—pp. 64–71
Determining Central Idea and Details: "Prosthetic Devices and the Paralympics" (Explanatory Text)—pp. 72–79
Analyzing the Development of Key Ideas: "Through a Microscope" (Technical Text/Procedural)—pp. 80–87
Close Reading: "Alan Turing: Codebreaker" (Biography/Historical Nonfiction)—pp. 88–93
Connect Across Texts: Compare and Contrast—p. 94
Unit 3 Common Core Review: "A Special Nut"/"FLAVR SAVR Tomato"—pp. 96–98

Unit 7 Reading Informational Text: Craft and Structure
Introducing Unit 7/Home Connect—pp. 165–166
Craft and Structure: Comprehension Check—pp. 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 195–197
Determining Word Meanings: "Saving the Ozone Layer" (Technical Text)— pp. 168–175
Analyzing Text Structure: "Earthquake" (Scientific Text)—pp. 176–183
Determining Author's Point of View or Purpose: "Spokane County's Wastewater Plan to Be Derailed?" (Opinion Piece)— pp. 184–191
Close Reading: "Tropical Rainforest or Tundra: Which Would You Choose?" (Explanatory Text)—pp. 192–197
Connect Across Texts: Support a Claim—p. 198
Unit 7 Common Core Review: "Outgrowing Our Food and Water?"/"Orbital Space Colonies"—pp. 200–202

Unit 11 Reading Informational Text: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
Introducing Unit 11/Home Connect—pp. 261–262
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: Comprehension Check—pp. 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 291–293
Integrating Information from Different Sources: "Primary Elections" by Nelly Anspach, Contributing Editor, One Vote www.onevote.net (Web Article)— pp. 264–271
Evaluating an Argument: "Abraham Lincoln's First Inaugural Speech" (abridged) (Speech)—pp. 272–279
Comparing and Contrasting Presentation of Events: "Abraham Lincoln: Wartime President" (Biography)— pp. 280–287
Close Reading: "A Woman for Our Times" (Letter to the Editor)—pp. 288–293
Connect Across Texts: Compare and Contrast Texts—p. 294
Unit 11 Common Core Review: "President Franklin Roosevelt"/"FDR's First Inaugural Address" [excerpts]—pp. 296–298

Performance Task 1
Part 3: Research Simulation—pp. 311, 318–320

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	Performance Task 2 **Part 3: Research Simulation**—pp. 321, 328–330

Range of Writing

6.W.10   Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

Connect Across Texts (complete the chart/write a brief essay): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198

Unit 2 Text Types and Purposes: Write Nonfictional Narratives
Read a Student Model/Write a Nonfictional Narrative: Analyze a student model/organize and draft a nonfictional narrative—pp. 50–53
Unit 2 Common Core Review: Assignment: Write the final draft of the nonfictional narrative started on p. 53—p. 60

Unit 4 Text Types and Purposes: Write Informative/Explanatory Texts
Read a Student Model/Outline an Informative/Explanatory Essay: Analyze a student model/organize and draft an informative/explanatory essay—pp. 102–105
Unit 4 Common Core Review: Assignment: Write the final draft of the informative/explanatory essay started on p. 105—p. 112

Unit 6 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Evidence-Based Essays
Read a Student Model/Outline an Evidence-Based Essay: Analyze a student model/organize and draft an evidence-based essay—pp. 102–105
Unit 4 Common Core Review: Assignment: Write the final draft of the evidence-based essay started on p. 105—p. 112

Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces
Read a Student Model/Outline an Opinion Piece: Analyze a student model/organize and draft an opinion piece—pp. 206–209
Unit 8 Common Core Review: Assignment: Write the final draft of the opinion essay started on p. 209—p. 216

Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Research Reports
Read a Student Model/Use Index Cards/Outline a Research Report: Analyze a Student Model/Organize and Draft a Research Report—pp. 250–254
Unit 10 Common Core Review: Assignment: Write the final copy of the research report started on p. 254—p. 260

Writing Handbook
Step 1: Planning—pp. 300–302
Step 2: Drafting—p. 303
Step 3: Revising—pp. 304–305
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	Performance Task 1 **Part 1: Literary Analysis** (write a literary analysis essay in response to the prompt)—pp. 311–314 **Part 2: Narrative Writing** (write a narrative in response to the prompt)—pp. 311, 315–317 **Part 3: Research Simulation** (write a comparison/contrast essay in response to the prompt)—pp. 311, 318–320 **Performance Task 2** **Part 1: Literary Analysis** (write a literary analysis essay in response to the prompt)—pp. 321–324 **Part 2: Narrative Writing** (write a narrative in response to the prompt)—pp. 321, 325–327 **Part 3: Research Simulation** (write a comparison/contrast essay in response to the prompt)—pp. 328, 318–330 *In addition to longer writing assignments cited above, students write routinely throughout the year in response to Comprehension Check questions, Speaking and Listening activities, many Language lessons, and Common Core Review questions at the end of each unit.

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Comprehension and Collaboration	
6.SL.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 6 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	
▪ **6.SL.1.a** Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.	**Connect Across Texts (**be prepared to discuss ideas with class): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198 **Speaking and Listening:** Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (*Did I?*: Come to the discussion prepared?), 110, 162, 214, 258 **Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting**: Listening Tips—p. 310 *See also* **Home Connect** (discussions with family members)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262
▪ **6.SL.1.b** Follow rules for collegial discussions, set specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.	**Speaking and Listening:** Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (rules checklist/define individual roles),110, 162, 214, 258 **Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Speaking Tips/Listening Tips—p. 310

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▪ **6.SL.1.c** Pose and respond to specific questions with elaboration and detail by making comments that contribute to the topic, text, or issue under discussion.	**Speaking and Listening:** Discuss the Essential Question (small group/class discussion): Questions I Asked/Questions I Answered—pp. 110, 162, 214, 258
	Connect Across Texts: Return to the Essential Question (pose and answer questions/respond with relevant observations)—p. 294
	Writing Handbook **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Listening Tips (asking questions)—p. 310
	See also **Home Connect:** Ways to Help Your Child (discussions with family members/asking questions)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262
▪ **6.SL.1.d** Review the key ideas expressed and demonstrate understanding of multiple perspectives through reflection and paraphrasing.	**Connect Across Texts** (small group/class discussion): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198
	Speaking and Listening: Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (*Did I?*: Revise my own views when presented with new evidence or information?), 110, 162, 214, 258
	Writing Handbook **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Listening Tips (asking questions)—p. 310
	See also **Home Connect** (discussions with family members)— pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262
6.SL.2 Interpret information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) and explain how it contributes to a topic, text, or issue under study.	**Connect Across Texts** (small group/class discussion, using charts): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198
	Speaking and Listening: Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58,110, 162, 214, 258
	Writing Handbook **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Listening Tips—p. 310
	See also **Home Connect** (discussions with family members)— pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262
6.SL.3 Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.	**Connect Across Texts** (small group/class discussion): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198
	Speaking and Listening: Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (*Did I?*: Identify claims supported by reason and evidence?), 110, 162, 214, 258
	Unit 11 Reading Informational Text: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas **Evaluating an Argument:** "Abraham Lincoln's First Inaugural Speech" (abridged) (Speech)—pp. 272–279

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	SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 11/Home Connect/Essential Question—pp. 261–263 Close Reading: "A Woman for Our Times" (Letter to the Editor)—pp. 288–293 Unit 11 Common Core Review— pp. 296–298 Performance Task—Online **Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Listening Tips—p. 310 *See also* **Home Connect** (discussions with family members)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

6.SL.4	Present claims and findings, sequencing ideas logically and using pertinent descriptions, facts, and details to accentuate main ideas or themes; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.	**Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Speaking Tips—p. 310 **Connect Across Texts** (small group/class discussion): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198 **Speaking and Listening:** Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (*Did I?*: Present relevant claims and other ideas in a logical manner?/Speak at correct volume, use clear pronunciation, and make eye contact?),110, 162, 214, 258 *See also* **Home Connect:** Ways to Help Your Child (speaking with family members)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262
6.SL.5	Include multimedia components (e.g., graphics, images, music, sound) and visual displays in presentations to clarify information.	**Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Online Publishing and Digital Slide Presentations/Speaking Tips (using visuals or audio)/Digital Connection (slide shows/graphics)—pp. 309–310 *See also* **Home Connect**— pp. 10 (use a map, Internet), 48 (slide show with photos), 100 (government agency Web sites, use pictures and drawings), 152 (symbols of the ancient world), 166 (make a video), 248 (use a map)
6.SL.6	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 6 Language standards 1 and 3 here for specific expectations.)	**Writing Handbook** **Step 5: Producing, Publishing, and Presenting:** Speaking Tips (use language that suits your audience and occasion)—p. 310 **Connect Across Texts** (small group/class discussion): Compare and Contrast Texts—pp. 42, 94, 146, 242, 294; Support a Claim—p. 198 **Speaking and Listening:** Discuss the Essential Question—pp. 58 (*Did I?*: Use formal English when appropriate?),110, 162, 214, 258 *See also* **Home Connect** (discussions with family members)—pp. 10, 48, 62, 100, 114, 152, 166, 204, 218, 248, 262

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Conventions of Standard English

6.L.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	
▪ **6.L.1.a** Ensure that pronouns are in the proper case (subjective, objective, possessive).	**Unit 2 Text Types and Purposes: Write Nonfictional Narratives** **Language:** Case of Pronouns—pp. 54–56 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 2/Home Connect—pp. 47–48 Unit 2 Common Core Review— pp. 59–60 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.1.b** Use intensive pronouns (e.g., *myself, ourselves*).	**Unit 2 Text Types and Purposes: Write Nonfictional Narratives** **Language:** Intensive Pronouns—p. 58 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 2/Home Connect—pp. 47–48 Unit 2 Common Core Review— pp. 59–60 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.1.c** Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person.	**Unit 6 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Evidence-Based Essays** **Language:** Pronoun Number and Person—pp. 158–159 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 6/Home Connect—pp. 151–152 Unit 6 Common Core Review— pp. 163–164 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.1.d** Recognize and correct vague pronouns (i.e., ones with unclear or ambiguous antecedents).	**Unit 6 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write Evidence-Based Essays** **Language:** Vague Pronouns—pp. 160–161 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 6/Home Connect—pp. 151–152 Unit 6 Common Core Review— pp. 163–164 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.1.e** Recognize variations from standard English in their own and others' writing and speaking, and identify and use strategies to improve expression in conventional language.	**Unit 4 Text Types and Purposes: Write Informative/ Explanatory Texts** **Language:** Variations of English—pp. 106–107 **Language:** Conventions of English—pp. 108–109 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 4/Home Connect—pp. 99–100 Unit 4 Common Core Review— pp. 111–112 Writing Handbook: Step 3 Revising: Revising Checklist—p. 304
6.L.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.	
▪ **6.L.2.a** Use punctuation (commas, parentheses, dashes) to set off nonrestrictive/parenthetical elements.	**Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces** **Language:** Punctuation of Nonrestrictive/Parenthetical Elements—pp. 212–213 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 8/Home Connect—pp. 203–204 Unit 8 Common Core Review— pp. 215–216 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306

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	Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write a Research Report **Language:** Restrictive and Nonrestrictive Elements—pp. 255–256 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 10/Home Connect—pp. 247–248 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.2.b** Spell correctly.	**Unit 10 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Write a Research Report** **Language:** Spelling—p. 257 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 10/Home Connect—pp. 247–248 Unit 10 Common Core Review— pp. 259–260 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306

Knowledge of Language

6.L.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.	
▪ **6.L.3.a** Vary sentence patterns for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.	**Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces** **Language:** Varying Sentence Patterns—p. 210 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 8/Home Connect—pp. 203–204 Unit 8 Common Core Review— pp. 215–216 Writing Handbook: Step 3 Revising: Revising Checklist—p. 304; Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist—p. 306
▪ **6.L.3.b** Maintain consistency in style and tone.	**Unit 8 Text Types and Purposes: Write Opinion Pieces** **Language:** Consistency in Style and Tone—p. 211 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 8/Home Connect—pp. 203–204 Unit 8 Common Core Review— pp. 215–216 Writing Handbook: Step 4 Editing: Editing Checklist (consistency in style and tone)—p. 306

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

6.L.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on *grade 6 reading and content*, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	
▪ **6.L.4.a** Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	**Unit 1 Reading Literature: Key Ideas and Details** **Language:** Context Clues—p. 43 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 1/Home Connect—pp. 9–10 Unit 1 Common Core Review— pp. 44–46
▪ **6.L.4.b** Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., *audience, auditory, audible*).	**Unit 7 Reading Informational Text: Craft and Structure** **Language:** Greek and Latin Roots—p. 199 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 7/Home Connect—pp. 165–166 Unit 7 Common Core Review— pp. 200–202

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	Unit 11 Reading Informational Text: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas **Language:** Greek and Latin Affixes—p. 295 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 11/Home Connect—pp. 261–262 Unit 11 Common Core Review— pp. 296–298
▪ **6.L.4.c** Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.	**Unit 3 Reading Informational Text: Key Ideas and Details** **Language:** Academic and Domain-Specific Words (use a dictionary)—p. 95 **Unit 5 Reading Literature: Craft and Structure** **Language:** Figures of Speech/Connotations (use a dictionary)—p. 147 **Writing Handbook** **Step 4 Editing:** Editing Checklist (use a print or online dictionary–p. 306 **Glossary**—pp. 331–335
▪ **6.L.4.d** Verify the preliminary determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).	**Unit 3 Reading Informational Text: Key Ideas and Details** **Language:** Academic and Domain-Specific Words (use a dictionary)—p. 95 **Unit 5 Reading Literature: Craft and Structure** **Language:** Figures of Speech/Connotations (use a dictionary)—p. 147 **Writing Handbook** **Step 4 Editing:** Editing Checklist (use a print or online dictionary—p. 306 **Glossary**—pp. 331–335
6.L.5 Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.	
▪ **6.L.5.a** Interpret figures of speech (e.g., personification) in context.	**Unit 5 Reading Literature: Craft and Structure** **Language:** Figures of Speech/Connotations (similes, metaphors, personification)—p. 147 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 5/Home Connect—pp. 113–114 Unit 5 Common Core Review— pp. 148–150
▪ **6.L.5.b** Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., cause/effect, part/whole, item/ category) to better understand each of the words.	**Unit 9 Reading Literature: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas** **Language:** Word Relationships—p. 243 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 9/Home Connect—pp. 217–218 Unit 9 Common Core Review— pp. 244–245
▪ **6.L.5.c** Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., *stingy, scrimping, economical, unwasteful, thrifty*).	**Unit 5 Reading Literature: Craft and Structure** **Language:** Figures of Speech/Connotations—p. 147 SEE ALSO Introducing Unit 5/Home Connect—pp. 113–114 Unit 5 Common Core Review— pp. 148–150

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