Common Core State Standards in the Guides

The materials in the Curriculum Enrichment Guides are closely tied to the Common Core State Standards. Connections to the College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards, which span grades K – 6, are listed below.

Guide	ltem	Activity
Talk the Talk!	Vocabulary Activities	Language 4, 5, 6
	Make a Book	Writing 2
	Acrostic Poem	Writing 4, 10
Walk the Walk!	Role Playing	Speaking & Listening 2, 6
	Writing Project	Writing 3, 4, 10*
Crocker All-Stars	Let's Talk	Speaking & Listening 1, 2, 4, 6 Language 6
Get Ready Get Set	Hints	Speaking & Listening 1, 2, 4, 6
	Gallery Games	Speaking & Listening 1, 2, 4, 6 Language 5, 6

^{*}Anchor Standard 5 is addressed too, if the writing project includes making revisions.



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While the Anchor Standards apply generally to grades K – 6, many specific grade level applications can be made as well. For example, the Anchor Standard described above as Language 5 is in the section "Vocabulary Acquisition and Use" and reads as follows:

Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

Then, each grade level includes specific details that apply to various items in the Vocabulary Activities collection. For example, the Word Wall activity addresses the Kindergarten 5c standard:

Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).

Similar grade level applications can be made throughout the Guides. The Anchor Standards listed on the previous page will take you to the right places to easily find them.

Another thought about applying the standards: If we define "text" as the topic or subject of a discussion or study, many of the Anchor Standards for Reading apply to activities in the Guides as well. Substitute the word "artwork" for "text" in the standards, and you'll find new and effective ways to teach skills such as finding explicit details, drawing and supporting conclusions, assessing point of view, and comparing and contrasting treatments of a theme. Reading Standard 7 asks students to "evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats"; analyzing a work of art is one way to do that.

