

COMMON CORE AND EYE LEVEL ENGLISH



The Eye Level English language arts program covers many of the topics outlined in the Common Core, such as the basic skills for reading, grammar, academic vocabulary, reading comprehension strategies and writing.

Our program includes the study of informational texts (covering history and science subjects) as well as literature. The complexity of the texts increases as the levels progress. To help promote even more effective learning, our educators supplement their core instruction with writing practice workbooks, flashcards, Active Listening CDs, and other materials.

Some key topics of the CCSS

Kindergarten				Grade 1					Grade 2					Grade 3				
Level	RF	RC	L	Level	RF	RC	L	W	Level	RF	RC	L	W	Level	RF	RC	L	W
1	■	■	■	2	■	■			2	■	■			3	■	■	■	
2	■			3	■		■		3	■		■		4	■	■		
3	■		■	4			■		4		■			5			■	■
4			■	5				■	5				■	6		■	■	■

Grade 4				Grade 5				Grade 6				Grade 7				Grade 8			
Level	RC	L	W	Level	RC	L	W	Level	RC	L	W	Level	RC	L	W	Level	RC	L	W
3	■			3	■			4	■			5	■			7	■		
4	■	■		4	■	■		5	■	■		6	■		■	8	■	■	
5	■	■	■	5	■	■	■	6	■		■	7	■		■				
6	■		■	6	■		■	7	■		■								
7		■		7		■	■	8		■									

- **RF: Reading Foundation**
Print concepts
Phonological awareness
Phonics and word recognition
- **RC: Reading Comprehension**
Literature and informational text
- **L: Language**
Grammar
Vocabulary
- **W: Writing**

Note: Eye Level is a long-term supplemental learning program based on an individual's abilities. All new students will be given an assessment to determine their starting level and will progress through the Eye Level curriculum at their own pace.

KEY LEARNING SHIFTS OF THE COMMON CORE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Balancing Informational and Literary Texts

Students read a true balance of informational texts (nonfiction) and literature (classic and contemporary).

Knowledge in the Disciplines

Through the study of various disciplines, including history and science, students are able to build comprehensive knowledge in an integrated literacy approach.

Increasing Complexity of Texts

Students read challenging levels of text, which become progressively more advanced at each grade.

Argument and Research Writing

The standards emphasize writing logical arguments with sound reasoning and formulating evidence-based research papers throughout the grades.

Academic Vocabulary

Students enhance their vocabulary repertoire through reading and exposure to various styles of instruction – studying Latin/Greek roots, determining meanings through context, etc.

KEY LEARNING SHIFTS OF THE COMMON CORE IN MATH

Focus

A deeper focus on fewer topics enables students to best apply their time and energy in the classroom.

Coherence of Concepts

Within and across the grades, students learn how concepts are interconnected.

Fluency

Students gain math fluency as they develop speed and accuracy when performing calculations through memorization and repetition.

Deep Understanding

Rather than learning tricks just to arrive at the right answers, students develop an in-depth understanding of – and true appreciation for – math concepts and processes.

Application

Through math word problems, students develop complex problem-solving skills as they learn how to apply the appropriate math concepts.

Dual Intensity

Balancing practice and understanding, students apply concepts learned in the classroom to real-life situations.



COMMON CORE AND EYE LEVEL MATH



The Eye Level Math program covers most of the topics of the Common Core curriculum, including numbers and operations, measurement and geometry. Our program's emphasis on proficiency in basic computational skills, coupled with application in problem solving, critical thinking and reasoning, is similar to the Common Core Standards.

Through the Eye Level Math program, students not only acquire expertise in basic arithmetic operations and mathematical thinking, but they also develop greater concentration, better study habits and increased self-confidence.

Some key topics of the CCSS

KINDERGARTEN

- Numbers up to 20
- Add and subtract within 10

GRADE 1

- Numbers up to 120
- Add and subtract within 20

GRADE 2

- Numbers up to 1,000
- Add and subtract within 100

GRADE 3

- Multiply and divide within 100
- Add and subtract within 1,000
- Basic concept of fractions

GRADE 4

- Numbers up to 1,000,000
- Add and subtract fractions with common denominators
- Basic concept of decimals
- 2 digit x 2 digit (multiplication) and 4 digit / 1 digit (division)

GRADE 5

- Multiply and divide multi-digits
- Add and subtract fractions with different denominators
- Multiply and divide fractions
- Basic decimal operations

GRADE 6

- Ratios
- Further mixed operations with fractions and decimals
- Area and volume
- Simple equations
- Understanding rational numbers

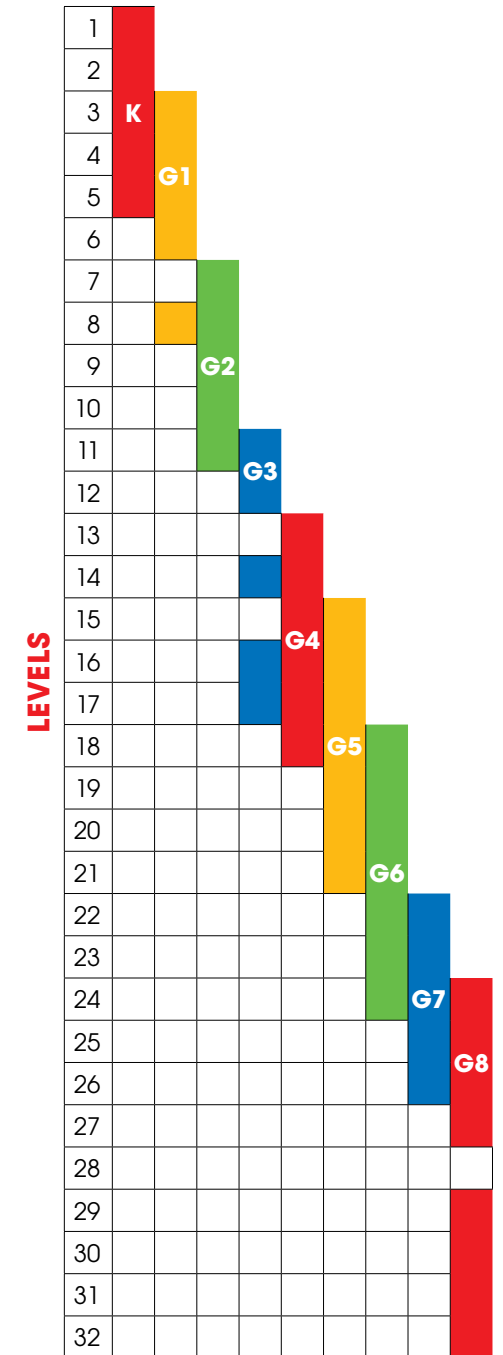
GRADE 7

- Linear equations
- Circular geometry
- Further rational numbers with operations

GRADE 8

- Statistics
- Pythagorean theorem
- Systems of equations

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INTRODUCTION

What are the Common Core State Standards?

The Common Core State Standards (CCSS or Common Core) are a set of state-led educational standards that define rigorous expectations for students from kindergarten through the 12th grade in English language arts and mathematics. These standards promote educational equity by ensuring that all students, no matter where they live, are equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to be college- and career-ready.

Who was involved in the development of the CCSS?

The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center) led the CCSS initiative and collaborated with parents, teachers, school administrators and experts from across the country to develop the Common Core State Standards. Since 2010, each state has independently decided whether or not to adopt the Common Core. Local school authorities currently lead the CCSS implementation.

How does it compare with the previous guidelines?

The CCSS raised the bar to match the highest state standards in the U.S. and international standards from the top-performing nations to ensure that U.S. students would be competitive in the global marketplace. Having a single set of consistent, more demanding standards helps teachers, parents and students know what knowledge and skills students are expected to learn.

Does Eye Level follow the Common Core curriculum?

Eye Level's curriculum covers many of the topics included in the Common Core through its distinctive curriculum, emphasizing both basic skills and complex applications in critical thinking and problem solving. Topics are introduced in a linear progression, allowing the students to revisit topics as needed. Our program delivers an individualized learning approach based on the students' abilities, regardless of their age or grade. Therefore, students will encounter the topics at their own unique pace.



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COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS: A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Eye Level Math and English programs are aligned with the National Council of Teachers in Mathematics (NCTM) and the National Council of Teachers in English (NCTE) standards.

For more information on the Common Core State Standards, please visit the official website at corestandards.org.

For more information on the Eye Level program, please call the nearest Eye Level Learning Center, or visit myeyelevel.com.