

AP English 2015-16 Standards

I. MAKING MEANING

- ***Making Meaning:*** Students use critical thinking and reading strategies to make meaning of texts and other media. This means students regularly: monitor comprehension, make connections, ask questions, determine importance, infer and synthesize.

READING and LITERATURE

- ***Reads Regularly:*** Students read regularly, challenging themselves with a wide variety of high quality texts.
- ***Elements of Literature/Narrative:*** Students identify, analyze, and compare and contrast elements of literature (characterization, plot, voice, figurative language, etc.)
- ***Image as Text:*** Students understand the qualities of a strong image and apply reading strategies effectively to image.

WRITING

- ***Writing Process:*** Students use the skills and strategies of the writing process, including pre-writing, drafting, and revising based on feedback. They write in a variety of forms (e.g., essay, short story, personal narrative, poetry) for a variety of audiences.
- ***Quality Writing:*** Students develop quality pieces of writing, including effective ideas, organization, voice, word choice, and sentence fluency.
- ***English Conventions:*** Students write and speak correctly, using conventions of standard written and spoken English.

IV. SPEAKING, PRESENTATION, AND PERFORMANCE

- ***Performance:*** Students develop skills to present their thoughts, feelings, knowledge and opinions both informally and formally in front of audiences and in well crafted presentations.

V. RESEARCH

- ***Accessing Information:*** Students demonstrate the ability to access and gather information from a variety of sources.
- ***Research Conventions:*** Students use proper conventions of research, including correctly formatted bibliography and citation.