

Topic Map to the DRAFT of the English Language Development Standards, 2012 Edition, Kindergarten through Grade 12



This document outlines the strands provided in the September 2011 draft of the WIDA ELD Standards, 2012 Edition. Unlike in prior editions, this edition will not offer one strand for each language domain within each standard for each grade-level cluster. WIDA has been gathering feedback that language teachers and administrators wanted to have close ties between the ELD standards and grade-level Common Core or state academic standards to facilitate conversations around academic learning and to promote collaboration among educators serving English language learners. In keeping with the WIDA philosophy that our standards' representation should be flexible rather than fixed, and invite creativity by its users, the 2012 Edition will include a sampling of grade-level strands for educators to explore and consider transforming to fit their particular curricular goals. Please note that the grade-level tables in this document are color-coded by grade-level cluster.

One of the strands for each grade level is referred to as an “amplification” or “amplified strand.” In these matrices, we exemplify the three criteria that constitute our Performance Definitions: Discourse Complexity, Language Forms and Conventions, and Vocabulary Usage.

In addition to strands for each of WIDA’s five ELD standards, the draft 2012 Edition offers one “complementary” strand per grade level to reach out to all educators who work with English language learners throughout the school day and emphasize the significance of language learning that takes place outside of the core academic subjects represented in WIDA’s standards. We wish to recognize that academic language permeates schooling and that all teachers are in fact language teachers. This is the breakdown of standards and complementary strands in the 2012 Edition draft:

WIDA’s ELD Standards:

- 1- Social and Instructional Language
- 2- Language of Language Arts
- 3- Language of Mathematics
- 4- Language of Science
- 5- Language of Social Studies

Complementary Strands:

- Language of Music and Performing Arts
- Language of Multiculturalism
- Language of Visual Arts
- Language of Health and Physical Education
- Language of Technology and Engineering

Kindergarten Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification –Speaking	Social and Instructional Language	Classroom cooperation
Listening	Language of Language Arts	Print concepts
Speaking	Language of Mathematics	Attributes of objects
Reading	Language of Science	Body parts and senses
Writing	Language of Social Studies	Families
Listening	Language of Music and Performing Arts	Lyrics and rhythm

Grade 1 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic-ELD
Amplification-Listening	Language of Mathematics	Measurement of objects
Listening	Language of Science	Force and motion
Speaking	Language of Social Studies	Neighborhoods/communities
Reading	Social and Instructional Language	Leisure activities
Writing	Language of Language Arts	Text types/genres
Reading	Language of Multiculturalism	Cultural diversity

Grade 2 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic-ELD
Amplification-Reading	Language of Social Studies	Historical events, people and symbols
Listening	Social and Instructional Language	School areas, personnel, and activities
Speaking	Language of Language Arts	Story telling/Experiential recounting
Reading	Language of Mathematics	Time and money
Writing	Language of Science	Change
Speaking	Language of Visual Arts	Visual characteristics

Grade 3 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Writing	Language of Language Arts	Revising and editing
Listening	Language of Mathematics	Area
Speaking	Language of Science	Electricity
Reading	Language of Social Studies	Purposes, structures, and functions of governments
Writing	Social and Instructional Language	Information gathering
Listening	Language of Health and Physical Education	Healthy habits

Grade 4 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Listening	Language of Science	Earth materials
Listening	Language of Social Studies	Maps and globes / Locations
Speaking	Social and Instructional Language	Cross-cultural communication
Reading	Language of Language Arts	Fluency strategies
Writing	Language of Mathematics	Lines and angles
Writing	Language of Technology and Engineering	Multimedia publishing

Grade 5 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Speaking	Social and Instructional Language	Giving a presentation
Listening	Language of Language Arts	Explicit and inferential information
Speaking	Language of Mathematics	Coordinate plane
Reading	Language of Science	Reproduction and heredity
Writing	Language of Social Studies	Ancient Civilizations
Listening	Language of Music and Performing Arts	Breathing Techniques

Grade 6 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Writing	Language of Mathematics	Ratio and rate
Listening	Language of Science	Ecosystems
Speaking	Language of Social Studies	Forms and organization of government
Reading	Social and Instructional Language	Social etiquette
Writing	Language of Language Arts	Conventions and mechanics
Speaking	Language of Multiculturalism	Interpretation of oral histories

Grade 7 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Reading	Language of Social Studies	Agriculture
Listening	Social and Instructional Language	Collaboration
Speaking	Language of Language Arts	Main ideas
Reading	Language of Mathematics	Algebraic equations
Writing	Language of Science	Scientific method
Listening	Language of Visual Arts	Media (Materials)

Grade 8 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Listening	Language of Language Arts	Analysis of an argument
Listening	Language of Mathematics	Rotation of shapes
Speaking	Language of Science	Forms of energy
Reading	Language of Social Studies	Globalization
Writing	Social and Instructional Language	Peer pressure
Writing	Language of Health and Physical Education	Personal health goals

Grades 9-10 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Speaking	Language of Science	Dependent and independent variables
Listening	Language of Social Studies	Supply and demand
Speaking	Social and Instructional Language	Leadership
Reading	Language of Language Arts	Point of view
Writing	Language of Mathematics	Right triangles
Reading	Language of Technology and Engineering	Social media

Grades 11-12 Language Domains	Standard/Complementary Strand	Topic
Amplification-Reading	Social and Instructional Language	Informed Decisions (College and Career)
Listening	Language of Language Arts	Satire
Speaking	Language of Mathematics	Mathematical relations and functions
Reading	Language of Science	Chemical reactions
Writing	Language of Social Studies	Historical figures and times
Speaking	Language of Music and Performing Arts	Musical genres