

Standard 3-Students appreciate literature and other creative expressions of information.

Benchmark 3.4.1-Students use literature with competence and self-motivation.

Critical Knowledge for each grade level:

K	1	2	3	4	5
Become aware of favorite books and main characters.	Select books of personal interests.	Select books according to reading ability with assistance.	Know some famous authors and their works.	Select materials for a specific purpose in mind.	Select materials for leisure reading.
Choose books with assistance.		Select books on subjects of interest and personal preference.	Select materials they can read.	Know characteristics of a book.	

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Benchmark 3.4.2-Students recognize various genres of literature.

Critical Knowledge for each grade level:

K	1	2	3	4	5
Recognize many storybooks and picture books.	Know that a variety of books are available: mysteries, animal, realistic fiction, etc.	Recognize the relationship between illustrations and text.	Know characters, plots and settings of fiction.	Understand various genres of literature.	Explain the meaning of various genres of literature.
			Know various genres of literature.		
			Recognize various awards given for literature.		

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Benchmark 3.4.3-Students use listening and observation skills.

Critical Knowledge for each grade level:

K	1	2	3	4	5
Develop the ability to attend and respond to storytelling.	Participate in discussion following a story.	Participate in group discussions.	Contribute in group discussions.	Participate in instructional situations.	Interpret what is heard and seen.
		Summarize and paraphrase what is listened to and viewed.			