

LSS ENGLISH DEPARTMENT KEY SKILLS AND ASSESSMENTS BY COURSE AND GRADE

SKILL	LEVEL	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
RESEARCH REPORT	Applied / College	Information Paragraph	Research Notes APA/A CRAB (Bias in websites)	Mini Research Report with citations and Bibliography	Research Report with citations and Bibliography
RESEARCH REPORT	Academic/ University	Information Paragraph	Research Notes, MLA A CRAB (Bias in websites)	Research Notes Reviews/Criticisms as Support	ISU Learning Log, Criticism (ISU)
MULTI-PARAGRAPH WRITING	Essential / Workplace	Paragraph (Topic Sentence, 2-3 Supporting details, Closing Sent.)	Kinds of paragraph, 3 paragraph response	Opinion Essay (3 paragraph – introduction, body, conclusion)	Opinion Essay (5 paragraphs: introduction, three bodies, conclusion)
MULTI-PARAGRAPH WRITING	Applied / College	Paragraph, Personal Response (3 paragraphs)	Opinion Essay (5 paragraphs)	Formal/Familiar (5 paragraph essay) with choice	Formal 5 Paragraph Essay (supported / research / MLA)
MULTI-PARAGRAPH WRITING	Academic / University	Opinion Essay (5 paragraphs) Literary Essay (5 paragraphs) with quotations to support Response Journals	5 paragraph Literary Essay (supported w/ primary / MLA / Citation) Persuasive Essay (5 paragraphs) Response Journals	Comparative Essay (novel and film) with research/ support/ MLA Narrative Essay	Formal Literary Essay (one classic and one complimentary novel; primary and secondary research, MLA) Personal Responses
Speaking and Listening Skills	Essential / Workplace	Talk / Share Aloud; answering questions in complete sentences; follow whole group	Informal individual presentation to Group (2 min); participating in whole group discussion; follow	Individual presentation to small audience (2 min.); participating in small group discussions; practice active listening skills; read dialogue	Individual presentation to larger audience (5 min.); leading small group discussions; respond to others' contributions; read

		discussion; read dialogue aloud.	small group discussion; read dialogue aloud.	aloud.	dialogue aloud.
Speaking and Listening Skills	Applied / College	Answer questions in complete sentences; read dialogue aloud; listen and respond to questions.	Group presentation to class (skit); practice active listening skills; small group shares with whole class; read dialogue aloud	Dramatic reading of play; share ideas in small groups; respond to others' contributions; share small group findings with whole class.	Dramatic reading of plays; present findings to whole class; small group findings shared with whole class; leading small group discussions; respond to others' contributions; conferencing with teacher.
Speaking and Listening Skills	Academic / University	Small group discussions; active listening skills; respond to others' contributions; dramatic reading of play.	Present findings to whole class individually and in small groups; respond to others' contributions; dramatic reading of play.	Dramatic reading of play; present findings to whole class; small group findings shared with whole class; leading small group discussions; respond to others' contributions; conferencing with teacher.	Dramatic reading of play; formal individual and group seminars; conferencing with teacher; active participation in whole class discussions.
Thoughtful Readers	Essential / Workplace	Read a short text independently and show comprehension (talk, multiple choice, etc.)	Read a longer text (ex: play) and show comprehension (Talk, multiple choice, dramatic reading)	Read two longer texts (ex: novel, play) and show comprehension (Talk, multiple choice, dramatic reading)	Read a novel independently and complete a comprehension chart in addition to the 11E strategies.
Thoughtful Readers	Applied / College	Read a novel independently and complete a	Read a non-fiction book independently and	Read a novel independently. Discuss in groups. Submit an	Independent reading of a class novel. Keep character and

		comprehension chart. Model use of reading strategies.	complete a book report to show understanding.	individual formal written report.	reader's notes for a class novel. Write summaries of significant chapters. Read and take notes while researching.
Thoughtful Readers	Academic / University	Literature Circles	Reading notes, responses and book talk on two independent books in Book Festival	Read an independent novel and take careful reader's notes. Tie in thematically to a film of their choice. Book talk.	Read independently one classic novel and one novel of their choice. Tie in thematically in essay format, oral presentation and media creation.
Grammar Skills	Essential/ Workplace	Complete vs incomplete sentences. Common homophones. Capitalization and basic punctuation.	Sentence fragments. Use of apostrophe. Vocabulary.	Run-on sentences. Correct verb tenses. Use of commas. Plurals.	Parallel structure. Subject/verb agreement. Use of colons and semi-colons. Sentence variety.
	Applied/ College	Sentence fragments. Use of apostrophe. Homophones.	Use of commas. Run-on sentences. Plurals.	Correct verb tenses. Use of comma splices. Sentence variety. Quotation integration.	Connotation and denotation. Use of colons and semi-colons. Use of ellipsis. Work Cited punctuation.
	Academic/ University	Sentence fragments. Run-on sentences. Comma use.	Correct verb tenses. Use of comma splices. Sentence variety. Quotation integration.	Use of colons and semi-colons. Use of ellipsis. Work Cited punctuation.	Connotation and denotation. Parallel structure, complex sentence structure, formal diction.

