### Standards Relating to Research to Build and Present Knowledge

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### Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Relevance and Essential Questions: What’s the point?

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<th>Essential Questions (Drive Intellectual Curiosity-The Hook)</th>
<th>Big Idea Statements (What students need to discover)</th>
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<td>How do students find information about things they find interesting?</td>
<td>Information comes in a variety of credible sources.</td>
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<td>Plagiarism is illegal.</td>
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<td>5.W.8 Recall and gather relevant information from experiences and multiple print and digital sources; a. Summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work. b. Provide a list of sources.</td>
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<td>7.W.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources. a. Use search terms effectively. Assess the credibility and accuracy of each source. b. Quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism. c. Follow a standard format for citation.</td>
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### Rigor and Cognitive Complexity

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<td><strong>6.W.7</strong> To use multiple sources Investigating resource options Determining key idea (concepts)/topics Inquiry process</td>
<td><strong>6.W.7</strong> Resources are used to explain key points and answer questions. Refocusing research may be necessary.</td>
<td><strong>6.W.7</strong> Sixth grade students will conduct short research projects. Students will break down and restate the prompt in their own words. Students will brainstorm and compile a list of sources they could use for their writing project. Sources may change as students’ research progresses. This allows students to refocus the intent of the research when appropriate.</td>
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<td><strong>6.W.8</strong> How to avoid plagiarism Credible relevant information Using direct quotes and paraphrase Citing sources for a bibliography</td>
<td><strong>6.W.8</strong> Plagiarism is illegal. Not all information is relevant to the topic being researched. Paraphrasing is restating the information in their own words. There is a formal way to cite sources. Not all sources are credible.</td>
<td><strong>6.W.8</strong> Students learn to gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources to support research product(s). They develop the ability to judge each source and assess its overall accuracy and value to the task. In conjunction with the reading standards for literature and informational texts, students draw evidence from what they read to support their research. They also learn how to best integrate the information without plagiarizing. Students practice citing sources and weaving the information into their own work. Students will also include a works cited page detailing all sources used.</td>
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### 6.W.9
Identifying types of genres
- Difference between fiction and nonfiction
- Difference between compare and contrast
- Difference between fact and opinion

They must use facts from text to support their ideas.

The organization of text is different between fiction and nonfiction.

Determining similarities and differences in text can lead to a better understanding of the text.

Students in sixth grade are able to draw from texts (either literary or informational) to support research, analysis, and reflection.

Students are able to compare and contrast literary works from different genres.

Students must be able to determine the accuracy of key details that support claims within informational pieces.

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### Student Friendly Language

**6.W.7**
I can complete short research projects to answer a specific question by using several sources and by refocusing my research when needed.

**6.W.8**
I can gather appropriate information about a topic from different resources including books and technology.

**6.W.9**
I can use evidence from my grade level fiction or nonfiction reading to support my thoughts and research.

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### Key Vocabulary

#### 6.W.7
- Key words
- Site source
- Internet search
- Synthesize
- Research
- Project
- Inquiry
- Bibliography
- Investigation
- Precise

#### 6.W.8
- Research
- Source
- Digital source
- Credible quote
- Quotation marks
- Summarize
- Paraphrase
- Plagiarism
- Bibliography

#### 6.W.9
- Analyze
- Evidence
- Support
- Research
- Credible
- Author
- Reason

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### Relevance and Applications:
How might the skills in the standards be applied at home, on the job or in a real-world, relevant context?

We need to know this in order to be able to answer questions and create projects using a variety of sources.

We need to know this in order to be able to tell if an answer is a valid answer (not just opinion or not based on facts).

We need to know this in order to be able to learn the process of inquiry.
We need to know this in order to be able to evaluate how to question for the best answer.

We need to know this in order to determine which product (cell phone, bike, computer) is the best.

We need to understand that our own conclusions become more credible when they are supported using information from the text. E.g., Changing a school lunch menu, student council elections, letter to the editor.

**Resources**

[https://doe.sd.gov/octe/ELA-resources.aspx](https://doe.sd.gov/octe/ELA-resources.aspx)

**Achievement Level Descriptors**

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