# Main Criteria: New Jersey Student Learning Standards

### Secondary Criteria: BookTaco

Subject : Language Arts

#### Grade: 7

### Correlation Options: Show Correlated

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Language Arts

Grade: 7 - Adopted: 2016

CONTENT AREA / STANDARD	NJ.RL.7.	Progress Indicators for Reading Literature
STRAND		Key Ideas and Details
CONTENT STATEMENT	RL.7.1.	Cite several pieces of textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. BookTaco Book Notes
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		Practice summarizing and retelling the story (writing or pictures) by challenging students to identify main ideas, themes, and key details. Story Mapping
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CONTENT STATEMENT	RL.7.2.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.
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CONTENT STATEMENT	RL.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Definition Matching</u> Definition matching exercise leveraging high level engagement with pronunciation reinforcement.
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		Students can manually enter and track their daily reading statistics (name of book, time spent reading and number of pages) or record their reading in real time with our online reading stopwatch.
CONTENT AREA / STANDARD	NJ.RI.7.	Progress Indicators Informational Text
STRAND		Craft and Structure
CONTENT STATEMENT	RI.7.4.	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
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CONTENT AREA / STANDARD	NJ.W.7.	Progress Indicators for Writing
STRAND		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
CONTENT STATEMENT	W.7.8.	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
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STRAND		Research to Build and Present Knowledge
CONTENT STATEMENT	W.7.9.	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	W.7.9.B.	Apply grade 7 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g. "Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient to support the claims").
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STRAND		Range of Writing
CONTENT STATEMENT	W.7.10.	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, metacognition/self correction, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
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CONTENT AREA STANDARD	NJ.SL.7.	Progress Indicators for Speaking and Listening
STRAND		Comprehension and Collaboration
CONTENT STATEMENT	SL.7.1.	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	SL.7.1.A.	Come to discussions prepared, having read or researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence on the topic, text, or issue to probe and reflect on ideas under discussion.
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CUMULATIVE PROGRESS	SL.7.1.B.	discuss the impact and significance of each. Follow rules for collegial discussions, track progress toward specific goals and deadlines, and define individual roles as needed.
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CONTENT STATEMENT	SL.7.4.	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with pertinent descriptions, facts, details, and examples; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation. <u>BookTaco</u>
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		Word Jumble Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience. Word Ladder
		Interactive exercise deepening knowledge of new words, boosting working memory and increasing student exposure.
CONTENT STATEMENT	SL.7.5.	Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points.
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CONTENT STATEMENT	SL.7.6.	Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate.
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CONTENT AREA / STANDARD	NJ.L.7.	Progress Indicators for Language
STRAND		Conventions of Standard English
CONTENT STATEMENT	L.7.2.	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
CUMULATIVE	L.7.2.B.	Spell correctly.
PROGRESS	2.7.2.0.	<u>BookTaco</u> Hear It Say It Write It

CONTENT AREA / STANDARD	NJ.L.7.	Word pronunciation with student modeling along with word writing in print or cursive. Word Introduction Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage. Word Jumble Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience. Word Ladder Interactive exercise deepening knowledge of new words, boosting working memory and increasing student exposure. Progress Indicators for Language
STRAND		Knowledge of Language
CONTENT STATEMENT	L.7.3.	Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.
CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	L.7.3.A.	Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy. Book Taco Book Talk Student generated video response where students record and capture their true feelings about the books they read. The perfect tool to promote public speaking skills, collaboration, advocacy and student voice. Definition Matching Definition matching exercise leveraging high level engagement with pronunciation reinforcement. Hear It Say It Write It Word pronunciation with student modeling along with word writing in print or cursive. Sample Unscramble Sentence These scrambled sentencees are a great way to teach and reinforce vocabulary, sentence structure, and grammar. Sentence Completion Matching exercise challenges the understanding of the appropriate contextual usage of the words. Word Introduction Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage. Word Jumble Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience. Word Ladder Interactive exercise deepening knowledge of new words, boosting working memory and increasing student exposure.
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STRAND		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
CONTENT STATEMENT	L.7.4.	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	L.7.4.A.	Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. <u>BookTaco</u> <u>Sample Unscramble Sentence</u> These scrambled sentences are a great way to teach and reinforce vocabulary, sentence structure, and grammar. <u>Sentence Completion</u> Matching exercise challenges the understanding of the appropriate contextual usage of the words. Word Introduction Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage. Word Jumble Active and fun learning medium promoting language acquisition through contextual and visual experience.
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CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	L.7.5.B.	Use the relationship between particular words (e.g., synonym/antonym, analogy) to better understand each of the words.
		<u>BookTaco</u> Word Introduction Introduction to definitions, synonyms, antonyms and contextual usage.
CUMULATIVE PROGRESS INDICATOR	L.7.5.C.	Distinguish among the connotations (associations) of words with similar denotations (definitions) (e.g., refined, respectful, polite, diplomatic, condescending).
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