



## Florida Standards Alignment - Grade 6

Florida's B.E.S.T. Standards: English Language Arts

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### ELA Expectations

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.K12.EE.1.1	Cite evidence to explain and justify reasoning.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to cite evidence and justify reasoning when evaluating a text.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to cite evidence and justify reasoning when evaluating a text.</li> <li>● link to a style guide in challenge activities for students to use to create proper citations.</li> </ul>
ELA.K12.EE.2.1	Read and comprehend grade-level complex texts proficiently.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● track student reading and assess comprehension using reading validation challenges.</li> <li>● track students' reading logs with various reports and insights that assess reading habits, which correlate to grade-level reading proficiency and comprehension.</li> <li>● read a text aloud to a whole class or small group, then instruct students to complete corresponding challenge activities. This ensures all students have the opportunity to access grade-level texts and learn grade-level vocabulary.</li> <li>● embed links to differentiated texts and increase the accessibility of texts in challenge activities.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize a reading list challenge by assigning a specific book or books, based on students' reading levels.</li> <li>● create compelling reading challenges, badges, and rewards to motivate students to read independently for a sustained period of time.</li> <li>● run reading competitions and encourage students to build reading streaks by logging daily reading sessions.</li> </ul>
ELA.K12.EE.3.1	Make inferences to support comprehension.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to make inferences about literary elements.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to make inferences about literary elements.</li> </ul>
ELA.K12.EE.4.1	Use appropriate collaborative techniques and active listening skills when engaging in discussions in a variety of situations.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to create a small group or whole group activity where students build on ideas, propel the conversation, and support claims and counterclaims with evidence, in regards to a specified text.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and create a small group or whole group activity where students build on ideas, propel the conversation, and support claims and counterclaims with evidence.</li> </ul>

ELA.K12.EE.5.1	Use the accepted rules governing a specific format to create quality work.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• link checklists, examples, and rubrics in challenge activities, allowing students to take ownership of their work.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and support students in using linked checklists, examples, and rubrics to create quality work in a specified format.</li> </ul>
ELA.K12.EE.6.1	Use appropriate voice and tone when speaking or writing.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• link resources and tailor questions in challenge activities to teach appropriate social and academic language for discussing texts.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and support students in using appropriate social and academic language when discussing the included texts.</li> </ul>

## Foundational Skills

### *Applying Foundational Reading Skills for Secondary Students Needing Reading Interventions*

Phonological Awareness		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.612.F.2.1	Demonstrate an understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• track students’ phonological awareness in text box activities after the students orally read a specified text.</li> <li>• listen as a student reads a text aloud and complete the challenge activities with the student to record their phonological awareness.</li> </ul>

## Phonics and Word Analysis

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.612.F.2.2	Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• track students' decoding skills in text box activities after the students orally read a specified text or set of words.</li><li>• customize challenge activities to include decoding practice.</li><li>• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and include accompanying decoding activities.</li></ul>

## Encoding

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.612.F.2.3	Know and apply phonics and word analysis skills in encoding words.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• track students' encoding skills in text box activities after the students orally hear a sound and write a symbol to represent that sound.</li><li>• customize challenge activities to include encoding practice.</li><li>• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and include accompanying encoding activities.</li></ul>

## Fluency

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.612.F.2.4	Read grade-level texts, at the student's ability level, with accuracy, automaticity, and prosody	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• listen as a student reads their independent reading book aloud to assess student fluency and then review the appropriateness of</li></ul>

	or expression using the student's mode of communication.	<p>text levels in their reading log.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• modify challenge activities to include links to differentiated content.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to read grade-level texts with accuracy, automaticity, and appropriate prosody or expression.</li> </ul>
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## Reading Standards

### *Reading Prose and Poetry*

Literary Elements		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.R.1.1	Analyze <b>how the interaction between characters contributes to the development of a plot</b> in a literary text.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to require students to analyze how the interaction between characters contributes to the development of a plot in a literary text.</li> <li>• activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students' abilities to analyze how the interaction between characters contributes to the development of a plot.</li> </ul>
Theme		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment

ELA.6.R.1.2	<b>Analyze</b> the development of stated or implied theme(s) throughout a literary text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to require students to analyze the development of stated or implied theme(s).</li> <li>• activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students' abilities to analyze the development of stated or implied theme(s).</li> </ul>
<b>Perspective and Point of View</b>		
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Beanstack Alignment</b>
ELA.6.R.1.3	<b>Explain the influence of multiple narrators and/or shifts in point of view in a literary text.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to require students to explain the influence of multiple narrators and/or shifts in point of view.</li> <li>• activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students' abilities to explain the influence of multiple narrators and/or shifts in point of view.</li> </ul>
<b>Poetry</b>		
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Beanstack Alignment</b>
ELA.6.R.1.4	<b>Describe the impact of various poetic forms on meaning and style.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize the Beanstack Poetry Challenge template to include links to various poems and questions about the impact of various poetic forms on meaning and style.</li> </ul>

Reading Informational Text

Structure		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.R.2.1	Explain how <b>individual text sections</b> and/or features <b>convey meaning</b> in texts.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to include questions about individual text sections and/or features and how they convey meaning in texts.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to explain how individual text sections and/or features convey meaning in texts.</li> </ul>
Central Idea		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.R.2.2	<b>Analyze</b> the central idea(s), implied or explicit, <b>and its development throughout</b> a text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to include questions about the central idea(s), implied or explicit, and its development throughout a text.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to analyze the central idea(s), implied or explicit, and its development throughout a text.</li> </ul>
Author’s Purpose and Perspective		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment



ELA.6.R.2.3	Analyze authors' purpose(s) in <b>multiple accounts</b> of the same event or topic.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to include questions about the author's purpose(s) in multiple accounts of the same event or topic.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to analyze the author's purpose in multiple accounts of the same event or topic.</li> </ul>
<b>Argument</b>		
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Beanstack Alignment</b>
ELA.6.R.2.4	Track the development of an argument, <b>identifying the types of reasoning used.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to include questions about the development of an argument and identifying the types of reasoning used.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to track the development of an argument, identifying the types of reasoning used.</li> </ul>

*Reading Across Genres*

<b>Figurative Language</b>		
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Beanstack Alignment</b>
ELA.6.R.3.1	Explain <b>how figurative language</b>	Media specialists/teachers can:

	<p><b>contributes to tone and meaning in text(s).</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to include questions about how figurative language contributes to tone and meaning in text(s).</li> <li>● customize the Genre Challenge template to cover specific genres, titles, and types of figurative language questions.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to explain how figurative language contributes to tone and meaning in text(s).</li> <li>● activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students’ abilities to explain how figurative language contributes to tone and meaning.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Paraphrase and Summarize</b></p>		
<p><b>Benchmark</b></p>	<p><b>Description</b></p>	<p><b>Beanstack Alignment</b></p>
<p>ELA.6.R.3.2</p>	<p><b>Paraphrase content from grade-level texts.</b></p>	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to include paraphrasing content from grade-level texts.</li> <li>● customize the Genre Challenge to cover specific genres, titles, and how to paraphrase texts.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to paraphrase the content.</li> <li>● activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students’ abilities to paraphrase content.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Comparative Reading</b></p>		

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.R.3.3	Compare and contrast <b>how authors from different time periods</b> address the same or <b>related</b> topics.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to include comparing and contrasting how authors from different time periods address the same or related topics.</li> <li>● customize the Genre Challenge to cover specific genres, time periods, titles, and related topics.</li> <li>● activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students' abilities to compare and contrast how authors from different time periods address the same or related topics.</li> </ul>
<b>Understanding Rhetoric</b>		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.R.3.4	<b>Identify rhetorical appeals in a text.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to include questions about the rhetorical appeals of ethos, logos, and pathos.</li> <li>● customize the Genre Challenge to cover specific genres, titles, topics, and rhetorical appeals.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to identify the rhetorical appeals of ethos, logos, and pathos.</li> <li>● activate the Read the Classics (Middle School) reading list challenge to assign classic literary titles, which students can read directly in Beanstack, and assess students' abilities to identify rhetorical appeals.</li> </ul>

## Communication Standards

### Communicating Through Writing

Narrative Writing		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.1.2	Write personal or fictional narratives <b>using narrative techniques, precise words and phrases, and figurative language.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• customize challenge activities to include writing a personal or fictional narrative using narrative techniques.</li><li>• link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate narrative writing.</li></ul>
Argumentative Writing		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.1.3	Write <b>and support a claim using logical reasoning</b> , relevant evidence from multiple sources, elaboration, and a logical organizational structure with varied transitions.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• customize challenge activities to require students to write and support a claim using logical reasoning.</li><li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to write and support a claim using logical reasoning.</li><li>• link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate written claims.</li></ul>
Expository Writing		

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.1.4	Write expository texts <b>to explain and/or analyze information</b> from multiple sources, using a <b>logical</b> organizational structure, relevant elaboration, and varied transitions.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to write expository texts to explain and/or analyze information from multiple sources.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to write expository texts to explain and/or analyze information from multiple sources.</li> <li>• link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate expository writing.</li> </ul>

*Following Conventions*

Conventions		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.3.1	Follow the rules of standard English grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling appropriate to grade level.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to include writing prompts that require mastery of grade-level conventions.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ mastery of grade-level writing conventions.</li> </ul>

*Researching*

Researching and Using Information
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Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.4.1	Conduct research to answer a question, <b>drawing</b> on multiple reliable and valid sources <b>and refocusing the inquiry when appropriate</b> .	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to require students to conduct research to answer a question.</li> <li>• assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to conduct research to answer a question.</li> </ul>

*Creating and Collaborating*

Multimedia		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.5.1	<b>Integrate diverse</b> digital media to enhance audience <b>engagement</b> in oral or written tasks.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• customize challenge activities to require students to integrate diverse digital media to enhance audience engagement in oral or written tasks</li> </ul>
Technology in Communication		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.C.5.2	Use digital tools <b>to produce writing</b> .	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• link digital writing tools in challenge activities to assist students in their writing.</li> </ul>

## Vocabulary

### Finding Meaning

Academic Vocabulary		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.V.1.1	<b>Integrate academic vocabulary appropriate to grade level in speaking and writing.</b>	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● assess how well students integrate academic vocabulary independently and intentionally in speaking and writing.</li><li>● customize challenge activities to include the integration of academic vocabulary in speaking and writing.</li><li>● assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to independently and intentionally integrate academic vocabulary in speaking and writing.</li><li>● use the Beanstack book review feature for students to review a text using grade-level academic vocabulary appropriately.</li></ul>
Morphology		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.6.V.1.2	Apply knowledge of Greek and Latin roots and affixes to determine meanings of words and phrases in grade-level content.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to apply knowledge of Greek and Latin roots and affixes to determine meanings of words and phrases.</li><li>● customize challenge activities to require students to apply knowledge of Greek and Latin roots and affixes to determine</li></ul>

		meanings of words and phrases.
<b>Context and Connotation</b>		
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Beanstack Alignment</b>
ELA.6.V.1.3	<b>Apply</b> knowledge of context clues, figurative language, word relationships, reference materials, and/or background knowledge to determine the <b>connotative and denotative</b> meaning of words and phrases, appropriate to grade level.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● customize challenge activities to include questions about determining the connotative and denotative meaning of words and phrases.</li> <li>● assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to determine the connotative and denotative meaning of words and phrases.</li> </ul>