



Florida Standards Alignment - Grade 3

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">• instruct students to cite direct and indirect evidence in Short Stacks nonfiction articles by utilizing the highlight feature and justify their reasoning by utilizing the annotate feature.• customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to cite evidence and justify reasoning when evaluating a text.• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to cite evidence and justify reasoning when evaluating a text.
ELA.K12.EE.2.1	Read and comprehend grade-level complex texts proficiently.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• assign grade-level Short Stacks articles to gauge student comprehension. Encourage students who are below grade-level to listen to the articles with the read-aloud feature.• track student reading and assess comprehension using reading validation challenges.• track students' reading logs with various reports and insights that assess reading habits, which correlate to grade-level reading proficiency and comprehension.• read a text aloud to a whole class or small group, then instruct students to complete corresponding challenge activities. This ensures

		<p>all students have the opportunity to access grade-level texts and learn grade-level vocabulary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • embed links to differentiated texts and increase the accessibility of texts in challenge activities. • customize a reading list challenge by assigning a specific book or books, based on students' reading levels and interests. • create compelling reading challenges, badges, and rewards to motivate students to read independently for a sustained period of time. • run reading competitions and encourage students to build reading streaks by logging daily reading sessions.
ELA.K12.EE.3.1	Make inferences to support comprehension.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have students cite evidence in Short Stacks articles using the highlight feature and justify their inferences using the annotate feature. • customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to make inferences about literary elements. • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to make inferences about literary elements.
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"> • customize challenge activities to create a small group or whole group activity that focuses on active listening and accountable talk, in regards to a specified text. • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and create a small group or whole group activity that focuses on active listening

		and accountable talk, in regards to the collection's texts.
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"> • create checklists, rubrics, and examples to accompany Short Stacks articles. • link checklists, examples, and rubrics in challenge activities, allowing students to take ownership of their work. • 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.
ELA.K12.EE.6.1	Use appropriate voice and tone when speaking or writing.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • link resources and tailor questions in challenge activities that teach voice and tone in writing.

Foundational Skills

Learning and Applying Foundational Reading Skills

Phonics and Word Analysis		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.F.1.3	Use knowledge of grade-level phonics and word-analysis skills to decode words.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • incorporate decoding activities using Short Stacks articles. • customize challenge activities to include decoding activities.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and include accompanying decoding activities.
Fluency		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.F.1.4	Read grade-level texts with accuracy, automaticity, and appropriate prosody or expression.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> listen as a student reads their independent reading book aloud to assess student fluency and then review the appropriateness of text levels in their reading log. assign students to a small group to practice reading Short Stacks articles aloud or allow students of differing abilities to use the read-aloud feature to hear fluent reading modeled. modify challenge activities to include links to differentiated content and assess students' abilities to read grade-level texts with accuracy, automaticity, and appropriate prosody or expression. assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to read grade-level texts with accuracy, automaticity, and appropriate prosody or expression.

Reading Standards

Reading Prose and Poetry

Literary Elements		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment

ELA.3.R.1.1	Explain how one or more characters develop throughout the plot in a literary text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to explain how one or more characters develop throughout the plot.
Theme		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.1.2	Explain a theme and how it develops, using details , in a literary text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to explain a theme and how it develops, using details.
Perspective and Point of View		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.1.3	Explain different characters' perspectives in a literary text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to explain different characters' perspectives.
Poetry		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.1.4	Identify types of poems: free verse, rhymed verse, haiku, and limerick .	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize the Beanstack Poetry Challenge template to include links to various poems and questions about identifying types of poems.

Reading Informational Text

Structure		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.2.1	Explain how text features contribute to meaning and identify the text structures of chronology, comparison, and cause/effect in texts.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to identify text features and explain how they contribute to the meaning of a text. • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to identify text features and explain how they contribute to the meaning of texts. • record student responses as they identify and explain how text features contribute to the meaning of texts, using reading validation challenges.
Central Idea		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.2.2	Identify the central idea and explain how relevant details support that idea in a text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to identify the central idea and explain how relevant details support that idea in the text. • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to identify the central idea and explain how relevant details support that idea in a text.
Author's Purpose and Perspective		

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.2.3	Explain the development of an author's purpose in an informational text.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to include questions about the development of the author's purpose in an informational text. assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to explain the development of an author's purpose.
Argument		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.2.4	Identify an author's claim and explain how an author uses evidence to support the claim.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> instruct students to utilize the highlight and annotate features in Short Stack articles when finding evidence to support the author's claim. customize challenge activities to assess students' abilities to identify an author's claim and explain how an author uses evidence to support the claim.

Reading Across Genres

Figurative Language		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.3.1	Identify and explain metaphors, personification, and hyperbole in text(s).	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use the Beanstack Genre Challenge template to cover specific genres, titles, and types of figurative language questions.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to require students to identify and explain metaphors, personification, and hyperbole in text(s). • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to identify and explain metaphors, personification, and hyperbole in text(s).
Paraphrase and Summarize		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.3.2	<p>Summarize a text to enhance comprehension:</p> <p>a. Include plot and theme for a literary text;</p> <p>b. Use the central idea and relevant details for an informational text.</p>	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to include writing a summary of a text. • customize the Genre Challenge to cover specific genres, titles, and how to write a summary. • assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to summarize a text. • use the Beanstack book review feature for students to review a text by summarizing the text.
Comparative Reading		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.R.3.3	<p>Compare and contrast how two authors present information on the same topic or theme.</p>	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assign Short Stacks articles and include additional articles/texts on the same topic or theme for students to compare and contrast how two authors present information. • customize challenge activities to include comparing and contrasting how two authors present information on the same topic or theme. • modify and customize the Genre Challenge to cover specific genres,

		<p>titles, topics, or themes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to compare and contrast how two authors present information on the same topic or theme.
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Communication Standards

Communicating Through Writing

Narrative Writing		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.1.2	Write personal or fictional narratives using a logical sequence of events, appropriate descriptions, dialogue, a variety of transitional words or phrases, and an ending.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to include writing a personal or fictional narrative. • link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate narrative writing.
Argumentative Writing		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.1.3	Write opinions about a topic or text, include reasons supported by details from one or more sources, use transitions, and	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customize challenge activities to include written opinion pieces. • assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to write opinions about a topic or text with reasons

	provide a conclusion.	<p>supported by details, transitions, and a conclusion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate opinion pieces.
Expository Writing		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.1.4	Write expository texts about a topic, using one or more sources, providing an introduction, facts and details, some elaboration, transitions, and a conclusion.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to include an expository text writing prompt. assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to write expository texts about a topic, providing an introduction, facts, transitions, and a conclusion. link resources in challenge activities that provide examples of grade-appropriate expository writing.

Following Conventions

Conventions		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.3.1	Follow the rules of standard English grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling appropriate to grade level.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to include writing prompts that require mastery of grade-level conventions. assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to write using grade-level conventions.

Researching

Researching and Using Information		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.4.1	Conduct research to answer a question, organizing information about the topic from multiple sources.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• assign Short Stacks articles for students to use when conducting research using multiple sources.• customize challenge activities, including primary and secondary sources, to assign research.• assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to conduct research using multiple sources.

Creating and Collaborating

Multimedia		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.5.1	Use two or more multimedia elements to enhance oral or written tasks.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• embed two or more multimedia elements in challenge activities to enhance written and oral tasks.
Technology in Communication		

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.C.5.2	Use digital writing tools individually or collaboratively to plan, draft, and revise writing.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> link digital writing tools in challenge activities to assist students when individually or collaboratively planning, drafting, and revising their writing.

Vocabulary

Finding Meaning

Academic Vocabulary		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.V.1.1	Use grade-level academic vocabulary appropriately in speaking and writing.	Media specialists/teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> customize challenge activities to include grade-level academic vocabulary when answering questions and completing writing prompts. assign Beanstack's curated ebook challenge collections and assess students' abilities to include grade-level academic vocabulary when answering questions and completing writing prompts. use the Beanstack book review feature for students to appropriately review a text using grade-level academic vocabulary, with adult assistance.
Morphology		

Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.V.1.2	Identify and apply knowledge of common Greek and Latin roots, base words, and affixes to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words in grade-level content.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use Short Stacks articles to aid students in determining the meaning of unfamiliar words. • customize challenge activities to include external resources that inform students of common Greek and Latin roots, base words, and affixes. • customize challenge activities to include questions about determining the meaning of unfamiliar words. • assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to identify base words and affixes to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words in grade-level content.
Context and Connotation		
Benchmark	Description	Beanstack Alignment
ELA.3.V.1.3	Use context clues, figurative language, word relationships, reference materials, and/or background knowledge to determine the meaning of multiple-meaning and unknown words and phrases, appropriate to grade level.	<p>Media specialists/teachers can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use Short Stacks articles to aid students in determining the meaning of unfamiliar words. • customize challenge activities to include questions about determining the meaning of unfamiliar words by using picture clues, context clues, word relationships, reference materials, and/or background knowledge. • assign Beanstack’s curated ebook challenge collections and assess students’ abilities to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words using picture clues, context clues, word relationships, reference materials, and/or background knowledge to determine the meaning of unknown words.