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GRADE 8 INSTRUCTIONAL SKILL LEVELS

Comprehension and Interpretation				
Nonfiction Strategies	Fiction Strategies	Literal Comprehension	Inferential Comprehension	Reads a Variety of Text
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retell (Essential Information) Summarize and Respond Critically to Essential Information (Recognizing Propaganda and Bias) Make Connections (Text to Self, Text to World, Text to Text) Compare/Contrast Within and Across Texts Visualize to make sense of text Infer/Draw Conclusions Questioning the Text Make, Confirm, and Revise Predictions Reread to Enhance Comprehension Identify and Analyze Point of View Identify and Analyze Tone and Style Identify Main Idea and Supporting Details Given a Purpose, Locate Appropriate Text Identify and Analyze Cause/Effect Differentiate Fact/Opinion Using Other Supporting Text Locate, Explain, and Analyze Supporting Evidence Identify and Use Text Structure (Headings, subheadings, pictures, captions, keywords, diagrams, charts, etc.) to Comprehend Information Identify, Compare, and Analyze Genres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retell (Sequence Beginning, Middle, End) Summarize and Respond Critically to Essential Information (Recognizing Propaganda and Bias) Make Connections (Text to Self, Text to World, Text to Text) Compare/Contrast (Settings, characters, plot) Within and Across Texts Visualize to Make Sense of Text Infer/Draw Conclusions Questioning the Text Make, Confirm, and Revise Predictions Reread to Enhance Comprehension Identify, Compare, Analyze Theme Identify, Compare, Analyze Point of View Identify, Compare, Analyze Tone and Style Identify Main Idea and Supporting Details Identify Author's Purpose Given a Purpose, Locate Appropriate Text Identify and Analyze Cause/Effect Differentiate Fact/Opinion Using Other Supporting Text Locate, Explain, and Analyze Supporting Evidence Identify, Compare, and Analyze Genres 	<p>See examples of Literal Questions and Bloom Flip Book of Questions for Critical Thinking</p>	<p>See examples of Inferential Questions and Bloom Flip Book of Questions for Critical Thinking</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiction Nonfiction Poetry (Identify Structure) – ballad, sonnet, couplet, etc.

Word Recognition		
Decoding		Sight Word Recognition
Decoding Strategies	Word Analysis Skills	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chunking Blending Self-Correct Context Clues Picture Clues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Root words Prefixes, suffixes Vowels and Vowel Patterns Abbreviations Contractions Plurals Possessives Verb Endings Comparatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Word Wall Lists Dolch List (For Intervention Purposes Only)

Vocabulary Development	
Understanding Word Meaning	Figurative Language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Story Vocabulary Content-Area Vocabulary Synonyms, Antonyms Homonyms, Homophones Multiple Meaning Words Prefixes, Root Words, Suffixes Idioms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alliteration Personification Simile/Metaphor Rhyme Rhythm Meter Hyperbole Allusion Imagery

Listening Comprehension
<p>See Reading Comprehension Section</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retellings Recalling Important Facts Make/Confirm Predictions Make Connections Respond to Literal and Inferential Questions