2015 Instructional Material Summer Review Institute

Grade K – 8 : English Language Arts/Reading; CORE Reading Intervention; Modern, Classical and Native Languages

**Review Team Appraisal of Title – English Language Arts/Reading**

This information is provided for local school boards and governing authorities of charter schools to consider in their selection process to meet the needs of their student population.

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| Text Title: | Pearson System of Courses | Publisher: | Pearson |
| Course: | ELA | Grade Level: | 4th |
| SE ISBN: | 9780133316759 | TE ISBN: | 9780133316754 |

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| **SECTION 1 SCORE** |
| Reviewer # and Section 1 Total: 1. # 37 TOTAL 664 2. #38 TOTAL 674 3. # 39 TOTAL 661  Average Score: 666 |
| **SECTION 1 ASSESSMENT** |
| Review Team Assessment of material’s compliance with Section 1: The material has a variety of texts on many topics that relate to other contents. It also has a variety of vocabulary activities that teach students skills for identifying unfamiliar vocabulary when they encounter it. |
| **SECTION 2 SCORE** |
| Reviewer # and Section 2 Total: 1. # 37 TOTAL 220 2. # 220 TOTAL 3. # 39 TOTAL 220  Average Score: 220 |
| **SECTION 2.A ASSESSMENT** |
| Review Team Assessment of material’s compliance with Section 2.A: The assessments and progress monitoring opportunities are varied and plentiful. Materials provide textual evidence required for supporting inferences. |
| **2.B Assessment** |
| Review Team Assessment of material’s compliance with Section 2.B: The teacher resources provide clear learning objectives as well as a scope and sequence that builds on previous skills. There are many resources to support the scope and sequence as well as skill mastery. There is a fair amount of activities that provide speaking and listening activities which allows collaboration and discussion. |
| **Reviewer Comments** |
| Reviewer #: 37 Reviewer Background: 13 years of classroom experience. Currently serving as a middle school reading teacher. Degrees in History and Political Science, endorsements in K-12 Reading, Language Arts and Social Studies. Master’s degree in Curriculum and Instruction with and emphasis in Reading.  Comments: This curriculum met the standards and provided a variety of teaching and assessment activities. The navigation is a little time consuming as you have to scroll through each task, rather than just being able to select the task you want.  Reviewer #: 38 Reviewer Background: 21 years of classroom experience. Currently serving as a cross-categorical special education teacher. Degree in Special Education, TESOL endorsement, and a minor in Bilingual Education. Master’s degree in Guidance and Counseling, with an emphasis area in Rehabilitation Counseling.  Comments: This text provided many writing activities to promote critical thinking activities and help with processing and formulating ideas.  Reviewer #: 39 Reviewer Background: 12 years of educational experience. Currently serving as an instructional reading coach for grades K-8. Degrees in Early Childhood, endorsements in reading, TESOL and Bilingual Education. Master’s degree in Curriculum and Design. Currently completing my doctoral studies in leadership and management.  Comments: This curriculum met the common core standards and includes a variety of genres and interesting topics. Not everything referenced in the teacher’s manual is in, or easy to find in the resource library. |
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