

How to Read English Language Arts Crosswalk Documents

WestEd conducted an alignment study for the Louisiana Department of Education to analyze the degree of match or overlap between the content of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and Louisiana’s Grade-Level Expectations (GLEs) for each grade. A GLE was considered a match to the CCSS if it met one or more of the following criteria:

1. The GLE reflects the same concepts and skills embodied in the CCSS.
2. The central idea and/or intended complexity of a GLE is consistent with the central idea and/or intended complexity of the CCSS.
3. The GLE addresses the intended content of the CCSS at a fundamental level.

It is important to note, however, that the GLE does not need to address *all* the skills embodied by the CCSS to be considered a match. Additionally, WestEd analysts identified the *strongest* GLE to CCSS match(es) at each grade.

Crosswalks are provided in an EXCEL file. Each CCSS is listed on the left and identifies the GLE or GLEs that best match the content of the CCSS. An example is provided on the next page.

How to Read Information in ELA Crosswalk Document Grade 7 Example

