BIG IDEAS

Images and written words convey meaning.

Our mastery of a language improves when we take risks in communicating.

**Texts** often contain elements inspired by real-life situations that reflect the experiences of readers.

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Grade 1

BIG IDEAS

- Through **texts**, we learn about ourselves and discover the world around us.
- Reading consists not only in decoding the words, but also in understanding the meaning and structure of a text.
- Though we may lack the ability to write all the words, we can still convey a message in writing.

Our mastery of a language improves when we take risks in communicating.

All communication has a content and structure.

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## Curricular Competencies

- Read previously seen short texts with fluency, following the final punctuation of sentences.
- Correctly spell words commonly used in writing.
- Write a short story by following a template.

## Content

- Language elements:
  - Structure of simple sentences
  - **Verb moods and tenses** associated with the texts studied
- Strategies studied:
  - Communication and socialization
  - Reading
  - Writing
Area of Learning: FRANÇAIS LANGUE PREMIÈRE

BIG IDEAS

Stories emerge from our imagination and reflect the experiences, dreams, and reality of the author.
The words and sentences of a text often contain clues and a context that can cue readers on its meaning.
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BIG IDEAS

The structure, textual clues, and words of a text all help to convey a message.

Communication is a social act in which we assert ourselves by expressing our opinions, feelings, and preferences.

Fairy and folk tales illustrate themes that are universal and timeless.

Every language follows a system of rules that distinguishes it from other languages.

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Learning Standards

**Curricular Competencies**

As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

**Exploring and Reflecting**
- Define the meaning of a word based on its root and affixes.
- Make inferences based on the clues found in a text.
- Identify the referents in a text in order to enhance comprehension.
- Compare texts by identifying their similarities and differences.
- Recreate the narrative structure of a text in order to summarize it.
- Distinguish between facts and opinions.
- Identify the human characteristics and behaviour of non-human characters in fairy and folk tales.
- Become aware of the role of oral traditions in Aboriginal narratives.

**Creating and Communicating**
- Express oneself with accuracy and fluency using the strategies studied.
- Establish a communicative intention when planning one’s texts and deciding on how they will be presented.
- Write texts made up of complex sentences, following the structures and language conventions studied.
- Revise own texts or those of others.
- Respond to a message by asking questions, making connections with personal experiences, expressing preferences and opinions, and respecting others’ ideas.

**Content**

Students are expected to be able to know and understand the following, particularly in informational texts, letters, and fairy and folk tales:

- spelling conventions
- text organization:
  - structure of informational texts
  - structure of fairy and folk tales
  - narrative structure
  - circular structure
  - elements of written correspondence
  - markers of causal relationship and purpose
  - punctuation
- literary elements:
  - characteristics of fairy and folk tales
- language elements:
  - roots and affixes
  - sentence structure
  - groups in a sentence
  - pronouns
  - parts of speech
  - verb moods and tenses associated with the genres studied
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BIG IDEAS

Hypothèses sont formées en fonction des indices dans les textes.

Intonation and gestures have an impact on the transmission and comprehension of spoken messages.

Texts transport us to another world as we experience the events lived by different characters.

Every language follows a system of rules that distinguishes it from other languages.

Aboriginal narratives are part of Canada’s Francophone history and culture.

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Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies

As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

Exploring and Reflecting

- Make inferences by drawing on personal experiences and prior knowledge, identifying clues, and asking questions.
- Identify the purpose of a text, as well as its steps and organization.
- Identify discourse markers to show the connections between the various ideas in a text.
- Specify the roles of the different characters in a text.
- Make connections between the characters’ feelings and their actions.
- Ask questions to develop one’s creative thinking ability.
- Identify how narratives in Aboriginal cultures connect people to their environment.

Creating and Communicating

- Express oneself with accuracy and fluency using the strategies studied.
- Express the ways in which a text can generate an emotional response.
- Adapt communication to the audience, taking into account speech arts.
- Reformulate the main idea in a text.
- Write texts that reflect the characteristics of the types of texts and language conventions studied.
- Revise own texts and clarify ideas.

Content

Students are expected to be able to know and understand the following, particularly in injunctive texts, youth novels and speech arts:

- text organization:
  - narrative structure
  - structure of youth novels
  - structure of injunctive texts
  - markers of causal relationship and condition
  - punctuation
- literary elements:
  - characteristics of the youth novel
- language elements:
  - structure of exclamatory and imperative sentences
  - adverbs
  - synonyms and antonyms
  - verb moods and tenses associated with the genres studied
- strategies studied:
  - communication and socialization
  - reading
  - writing
**BIG IDEAS**

- **Texts** create a portrait of an era and a population’s values, practices, and beliefs.
- The meaning of a **text** is a function of form as well as words.
- Using references and examples gives our arguments more credibility.
- Aboriginal narratives are part of Canada’s Francophone history and culture.
- Communicating in French helps to develop a sense of belonging to a Francophone **community**.

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As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

- Distinguish important ideas from secondary ideas in a **text**.
- Formulate hypotheses on the basis of textual clues, and verify these hypotheses.
- Recognize that a **text** can develop in a non-linear fashion, by identifying flashbacks and flash forwards.
- Analyze a **text** to establish connections between the characters, plot, and resolution of the problem.
- Support ideas or opinions with facts and arguments extracted from texts.
- Demonstrate how Aboriginal legends reflect specific beliefs.
- Understand the importance of the storyteller and the art of storytelling in Aboriginal cultures.
- Identify cultural elements in **texts** and compare them with one’s own cultural points of reference.
- Recognize that there is linguistic variety within the Francophonie.

**Creating and Communicating**

- Express oneself with accuracy and fluency using the strategies studied.
- Plan a text for a particular audience, selecting the subject, recipient, and main ideas in advance.
## Curricular Competencies

- Express and justify a point of view with the help of examples and sources.
- Create a **portrait** of a character, period, place, etc., based on explicit or implicit elements in **texts**.
- Write **texts** following the characteristics of the types of **texts** and **language conventions studied**.
- Summarize a **text**.
- Revise, correct, and improve own work with the use of reference tools.
Area of Learning: FRANÇAIS LANGUE PREMIÈRE

BIG IDEAS

In illustrated texts, pictures and words complement one another, since the meaning of a picture can be different from that of words.
The plot of a story is defined through the decisions and actions of the characters, and the context in which they find themselves.
Texts enable students to consolidate or transform their perceptions.
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Curricular Competencies

As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

Exploring and Reflecting

- Identify the characteristics of a text and the genre to which it belongs.
- Analyze the relationship between a text and image to better understand the author’s intentions.
- Analyze the symbolic value of words and images.
- Make connections between different characters, their respective roles in the plot, and their motivations.
- Identify the values and world view presented in texts.
- Identify cultural elements found in different texts.
- Recognize the existence of different registers, dialects, and accents.

Creating and Communicating

- Use words, images, and prosody to express emotions and enrich writing.
- Read and interpret a variety of poetic texts fluently and with intonation to convey the author’s intention.
- Identify and reformulate the main ideas in a text to verify and deepen one’s understanding.
- Explore the potential of language by playing with words to transform a text.
- Write texts following the characteristics of the types of texts and language conventions studied.
- Revise, correct, and improve own texts, being mindful of the quality of form and expression.

Content

Students are expected to be able to know and understand the following, particularly in comic books, youth novels, and poetry (including songs):

- text organization:
  - narrative structure
  - actantial narrative schema
  - paragraph structure
- literary elements:
  - characteristics of the comic book
  - characteristics of the youth novel
  - characteristics of poetry
  - characteristics of image deciphering
  - stylistic devices
  - registers of language
- language elements:
  - information reiteration
  - verb moods and tenses associated with the genres studied
- strategies studied:
  - communication and socialization
  - reading
  - writing
Area of Learning: FRANÇAIS LANGUE PREMIÈRE

Grade 7

BIG IDEAS

| Literature invites us to reflect on the human condition by presenting elements from real life in an imaginary form. |
| Words have connotative and denotative values that shape the perception of the audience. |
| The themes of certain texts reflect the concerns of the era in which they were written. |
| By analyzing different stylistic choices, we learn to develop our own writing style. |
| To express oneself well, it is essential to follow language conventions, use a rich vocabulary, and pay attention to text organization. |
| Through their interactions, Aboriginal peoples and Francophone communities in Canada influence each other’s languages and cultures. |
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<td>• Put a work into context based on the era, setting, and the characters and their interactions.</td>
<td>– logical connection of sentences and ideas</td>
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<td>• Consider the role that the message of a text plays in society and the ways in which it is perceived, depending on the era and society.</td>
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### Creating and Communicating

- Organize and structure an oral presentation.
- Present own opinion on a text based on examples drawn from it.
- Write texts following the characteristics of the types of texts and conventions studied.
- Practice creative writing to develop a sense of the abstract and the imaginary.
- Use citations to substantiate own point of view.
- Use stylistic tools to enrich and improve one’s text.
- Improve own texts, being mindful of the quality of form and expression.

### Content

- **Language elements:**
  - sentence types and forms
  - verb moods and tenses associated with the genres studied
- **Strategies studied:**
  - communication and socialization
  - reading
  - writing
- **Tools to enrich a text:**
  - imagery
  - connotation and denotation
  - nuance
  - varied vocabulary
Area of Learning: FRANÇAIS LANGUE PREMIÈRE

BIG IDEAS

The effectiveness of an argument lies as much in the way ideas are organized as in the argument itself.

Our environment influences our perceptions and shapes our texts.

Through their texts, authors share their identity, culture, perception of the world, and portrait of the era with readers.

By organizing ideas and relying on a variety of sources, the originator supports his or her point of view and influences the recipient.

To express oneself well, it is essential to follow language conventions, use a rich vocabulary, and pay attention to text organization.

Through their interactions, Aboriginal peoples and Francophone communities in Canada influence each other’s languages and cultures.

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Curricular Competencies

As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

Exploring and Reflecting

- Identify the literary elements in a text and their role.
- Evaluate the objectivity or subjectivity of an author through clues found in a text.
- Question the assumptions, values or points of view presented in a text, using relevant arguments.
- Consider the role that the message of a text plays in society and the ways in which it is perceived, depending on the era and society.
- Explain how descriptions create contextual subtleties that help readers to better understand a text and the author’s intentions.
- Compare Aboriginal and other texts based on their themes and points of view, and the intentions of their authors, as a way of examining different perspectives and approaches.
- Make connections between one’s own Francophone cultural reference points, those of others, and those found in texts.

Content

Students are expected to be able to know and understand the following, particularly in poetry, novels, and argumentative texts:

- text organization:
  - narrative structure
  - structure of argumentative texts
- literary elements:
  - characteristics of the novel
  - characteristics of poetry
  - descriptive elements
  - point of view
  - stylistic devices
- language elements:
  - the role of complex sentences
  - overall impression
- strategies studied:
  - communication and socialization
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– **writing**  
• elements for enriching a text:  
  – imagery  
  – connotations and denotations  
  – nuance  
  – lexical fields  
  – choice and variety of vocabulary |

- Adapt expression to generate an emotional response in one’s audience.
- Identify the non-verbal reactions of interlocutors, and adjust discourse accordingly, in order to be better understood and to be more persuasive.
- Write **texts** following the characteristics of the types of **texts** and **language conventions studied**.
- Write argumentative **texts** that are convincing and well-structured.
- Enrich one’s texts using descriptive elements.
- Improve own texts, being mindful of the quality of form and expression.
Area of Learning: FRANÇAIS LANGUE PREMIÈRE

BIG IDEAS

Authors can cast a critical gaze on social issues through their works.
Stage adaptations offer a way to look at a work differently.
Certain texts are timeless and, as such, reflect values that transcend the social context from which they emerge.

The “character effect” depends on both implicit and explicit elements.
To express oneself well, it is essential to follow language conventions, use a rich vocabulary, and pay attention to text organization.
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Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies

As authors, readers, and speakers, students are expected to be able to do the following, using oral and written, digital and print, and textual and visual materials:

Exploring and Reflecting

- Determine an author’s implicit message or vision on the basis of specific clues.
- Identify choices in stage adaptations and explain their effects.
- Situate a work in its context by relying on author biographies and textual clues related to the socio-historical dimension of a text.
- Consider the role that the message of a text plays in society and the ways in which it is perceived, depending on the era and society.
- Clarify the criticisms conveyed through fables and identify the target audience.
- Recognize the importance of dramatization in the genres studied.
- Identify the elements that help to define the “character effect.”
- Recognize the similarities and differences between texts from different socio-historical contexts.
- Recognize the literary diversity in the French-speaking world and among Aboriginal communities.

Content

Students are expected to be able to know and understand the following, particularly in fables, plays, and comparative essays.

- text organization:
  - narrative structure
  - structure of the fable
  - comparative essays
- literary elements:
  - characters
  - characteristics of the fable
  - characteristics of the play
  - stylistic devices
- language elements:
  - types of discourse
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