
SpringBoard®

An Overview of the English Language Arts Curriculum



Assessments

We provide multiple opportunities for additional formative and summative assessments of progress. There are items that mirror questions on the SAT and state assessments, as well as tech-enhanced items.

Assessment supports

- ELA Assessments
- Check Your Understanding
- Short-Cycle Assessments
- Tech-Enhanced Items
- Writing Prompts
- End-of-Unit Assessments
- Scoring Guides for Embedded Assessments
- Student Exemplars



Giving teachers clear, consistent planning support

The Teacher Edition helps planning with distinctly labeled “Planning the Unit” sections, as well as shorter “Plan” callouts. A plan-teach-assess-adapt instructional pathway is clearly defined throughout.



Teacher planning supports

- “Plan” section of Teacher Wrap
- Unit resources at-a-glance
- AP and college readiness callouts
- Teacher-to-Teacher tips
- Resources sections of Teacher Edition
- Pacing guide

Bringing a New Energy to Every Classroom

Thank you for taking the time to review the SpringBoard® English Language Arts Program. Please use this walk-through and checklist to familiarize yourself with our program.

Taking a fresh approach with SpringBoard

SpringBoard is an integrated English Language Arts (ELA) instructional program for grades 6–12, available in print and as an award-winning digital platform. Created by teachers for teachers, SpringBoard is a research-based, student-centered approach. This classroom-tested curriculum is completely aligned to state standards, Advanced Placement® (AP®) course frameworks, and the SAT® Suite of Assessments to teach students the skills and knowledge that matter most for college and career readiness.

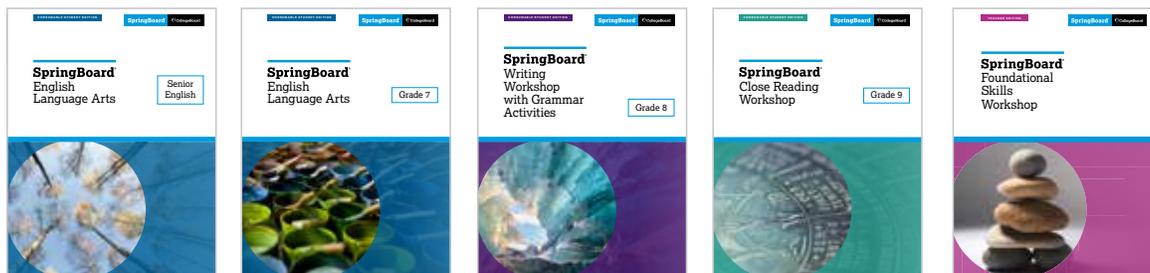
Engaging students with an integrated approach to literacy

SpringBoard moves right into compelling texts, giving you tools, supports, and pedagogical approaches to let students engage with the content. We believe reading, writing, speaking, and listening are learned best when learned together. You'll see examples of this integrated approach throughout our materials.

Beginning with the end in mind

Embedded Assessments in each unit form the backbone of the instructional pathway by giving students and teachers explicit learning goals and destinations. Students understand why the skills they're developing matter.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE FOR EACH GRADE, 6-12



CONSUMABLE
STUDENT EDITION

ANNOTATED
TEACHER EDITION

WRITING WORKSHOP

CLOSE READING
WORKSHOP

FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS
WORKSHOP



TURNITIN REVISION ASSISTANT



ZINC LEARNING LABS

Unlocking meaning with Close Reading

Close Reading instruction helps students learn the strategies they need to pay more attention to details, grasp more meaning, and take ownership of their reading abilities. A range of increasingly complex literary and informational texts are offered, along with multiple workshops to help build reading independence.

Close Reading supports

- Second Read text-dependent questions
- Audio Recordings, located in SpringBoard Digital
- Working from the Text
- Teacher Wrap
- Preview
- Setting a Purpose
- Close Reading strategies
- And more

Inspiring independent reading

SpringBoard motivates students to want to read and encourages teachers to choose texts they want to teach. Independent reading lists, links, and checkpoints are included in every unit at each grade level. In addition, our partnership with Zinc Learning Labs provides an ever-growing library of independent reading options. Teachers and students can select from a range of fiction and nonfiction texts, as well as magazine and newspaper articles and visual texts.

Independent reading supports

- Independent reading links
- Independent reading checkpoints
- Independent reading logs
- Independent reading list
- Zinc Learning Labs



Learning and using vocabulary in context

Vocabulary study is threaded throughout each unit and developed over the course of a year, with students learning and using new words and terms as part of their reading and writing. SpringBoard features multiple entries into vocabulary study, including academic vocabulary, literary terms, and in-text definitions.

Vocabulary supports

- In-text defined vocabulary
- Craft and structure: text dependent questions on in-context words
- Spanish-English Glossary
- Word Connections
- Zinc Learning Labs: Interactive Vocabulary Games
- Academic Vocabulary
- Literary Terms



Providing instruction in all the major modes of writing

SpringBoard ELA features writing instruction that emphasizes narrative, argumentative, and explanatory/expository modes. Grammar and usage exercises are attached to reading and writing tasks, and each Embedded Assessment features a writing task. Our Writing Workshops offer additional support for direct writing instruction.

Extensive writing supports

- Writing Workshop
- Language & Writer's Craft
- Turnitin Revision Assistant
- Alignment to SAT Essay
- Grammar and usage
- Grammar Handbook
- Grammar activities included with Writing Workshops
- Graphic Organizers
- Language practice
- Formative writing prompts for each activity

Adapting easily to different student needs

A rich library of tools, resources, and supports lets teachers differentiate and adapt their instruction for all students. Specific supports include resources for special ed and English learners, as well as advanced and struggling students.

Differentiation supports

- Leveled Differentiated Instruction
- ELD activities
- Graphic Organizers
- Supplemental ELD materials on SpringBoard Digital
- Learning strategies designed for English Language Learners
- Spanish–English dictionary
- Scaffolding text-dependent questions
- Adapt feature
- ELD Graphic Organizers
- Routines for teaching foundational skills
- Cognate Directories
- ELD progress monitoring

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