

West Virginia Content Standards (Grade 9)

This chart correlates the West Virginia Content Standards to the chapters of **The Essential Guide to Language, Writing, and Literature, Blue Level.**

Standard	Chapter(s)
RLA.9.1.10 Students will recognize the elements, structures and tone of various genres (e.g., novels; short stories; poetry; drama).	Chapter 21 Writing About Literature
RLA.9.1.3 Students will increase the amount of independent reading with emphasis on fiction and nonfiction.	Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.1.4 Students will develop various reading skills for literary experience, information and/or performing a task (e.g., skimming; scanning; note taking; SQ3R).	Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.1.5 Students will locate specific information in text (e.g., main and supporting ideas; specific facts; statistics; definition).	Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.1.6 Students will expand the use of various strategies to establish word meanings (e.g., context clues; affixes; multiple meanings).	Chapter 28 Vocabulary Power Chapter 30 Spelling
RLA.9.1.9 Students will identify literary elements within specific genre (e.g., point of view; theme; conflict; characterization; voice).	Chapter 21 Writing About Literature
RLA.9.2.1 Students will address specific purposes (e.g., narrative; expository; descriptive; persuasive) by employing writing strategies.	Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 14 The Six Traits of Good Writing Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 29 Critical Thinking Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.2.10 Students will use revision and editing strategies to correct errors in organization, content, usage, mechanics and spelling.	Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 30 Spelling Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking

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<p>RLA.9.2.12 Students will extend note-taking skills to process and organize information.</p>	<p>Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 14 The Six Traits of Good Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.14 Students will develop outlining skills to organize text and composition information by selecting main points and supporting details.</p>	<p>Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 18 Personal Writing</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.15 Students will practice correct use of bibliographic format in research documentation (e.g., MLA; APA).</p>	<p>Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.16 Students will recognize choices of pronunciation and spelling (e.g., dictionary; spell check; thesaurus).</p>	<p>Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 28 Vocabulary Power Chapter 30 Spelling Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.17 Students will recognize the parts of speech within a sentence.</p>	<p>Chapter 1 The Parts of Speech Chapter 2 The Sentence Base Chapter 4 Clauses Chapter 5 Using Verbs Chapter 8 Using Adjectives and Adverbs Chapter 28 Vocabulary Power</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.18 Students will recognize the various parts of a sentence (e.g., direct object; predicate adjective; gerund; infinitive).</p>	<p>Chapter 2 The Sentence Base Chapter 4 Clauses Chapter 7 Subject/Verb Agreement</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.19 Students will identify editing strategies to correct errors in capitalization and punctuation.</p>	<p>Chapter 9 Capitalization Chapter 10 End Marks and Commas Chapter 11 Italics and Quotation Marks Chapter 12 Other Punctuation Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 14 The Six Traits of Good Writing Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>

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<p>RLA.9.2.2 Students will generate topics and plan approaches to writing by using pre-writing strategies.</p>	<p>Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.20 Students will recognize and correct errors in subject/verb agreement.</p>	<p>Chapter 7 Subject/Verb Agreement Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.21 Students will recognize and correct errors in pronoun case usage and pronoun/antecedent agreement.</p>	<p>Chapter 1 The Parts of Speech Chapter 6 Using Pronouns Chapter 7 Subject/Verb Agreement Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>
<p>RLA.9.2.22 Students will recognize and correct run-on sentences, fragments, misplaced modifiers and awkward constructions.</p>	<p>Chapter 2 The Sentence Base Chapter 4 Clauses Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking</p>

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RLA.9.2.23 Students will form supportable predictions, opinions, inferences and conclusions based upon text.	Chapter 29 Critical Thinking Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.2.24 Students will expand vocabulary through various literary works.	Chapter 28 Vocabulary Power
RLA.9.2.25 Students will identify word etymologies to determine meaning.	Chapter 28 Vocabulary Power
RLA.9.2.3 Students will employ drafting strategies for specific writing tasks.	Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences Chapter 17 Descriptive Writing Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 19 Expository Writing Chapter 20 Persuasive Writing Chapter 22 Creative Writing Chapter 23 Writing the Research Paper Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.2.4 Students will create a well-developed composition from a prompt.	Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.2.5 Students will develop a composition that addresses the assigned topic with a clearly worded and correctly placed thesis statement.	Chapter 14 The Six Traits of Good Writing Chapter 16 Writing Powerful Paragraphs Chapter 18 Personal Writing Chapter 31 Study Skills and Test-taking
RLA.9.2.7 Students will use different transitional devices (e.g., introductory and transitional phrases/conjunctions) between paragraphs.	Chapter 18 Personal Writing
RLA.9.2.8 Students will develop a composition that uses complete and varied sentences.	Chapter 2 The Sentence Base Chapter 4 Clauses Chapter 14 The Six Traits of Good Writing Chapter 15 Writing Strong Sentences
RLA.9.2.9 Students will develop a composition with appropriate and precise word choice.	Chapter 13 Introduction to the Writing Process Chapter 18 Personal Writing
RLA.9.3.3 Students will review listening behaviors prior to a school wide audience activity (e.g., staying alert; resisting distractions; identifying and adapting to the speaker's purpose).	Chapter 27 Speeches and Presentations
RLA.9.3.4 Students will listen to identify the purpose, make predictions, distinguish fact from opinion and construct meaning from discussion, speech or media.	Chapter 29 Critical Thinking