

## **Grade 4 Reading ISAT Proficiency Level Descriptors**

### **Advanced**

Fourth grade students typically performing at the Advanced level demonstrate a thorough understanding of reading skills expected of all students in the areas of reading process, and comprehension and interpretation at this grade level. Students consistently use complex strategies to interpret and comprehend a wide variety of grade-level text, including, but not limited to, identifying common root words, prefixes and suffixes, identifying cause and effect relationships, drawing conclusions, and identifying lessons or themes.

### **Proficient**

Fourth grade students typically performing at the Proficient level demonstrate a satisfactory understanding of reading skills expected of all students in the areas of reading process, and comprehension and interpretation at this grade level. Students routinely utilize a variety of reading strategies to interpret and understand grade-level text, including, but not limited to, identifying common root words, prefixes and suffixes, distinguishing between fact and opinion, and identifying characteristics of literary genres.

### **Basic**

Fourth grade students typically performing at the Basic level demonstrate a limited understanding of reading skills expected of all students in the areas of reading process, and comprehension and interpretation at this grade level. Students may have partial knowledge of reading skills within more explicit and concrete text with familiar content on a literal level, but are inconsistent in performance. Students at the basic level may identify some common prefixes and suffixes, identify some characteristics of literary genres, and identify characters and setting.