

Grade 7 Reading ISAT Proficiency Level Descriptors

Advanced

Seventh 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, determining meaning of complex words in context, making inferences, drawing conclusions and citing evidence from text to support, and analyzing themes of various genres.

Proficient

Seventh 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, explaining relationships among words including connotation and denotation, summarizing the main idea and critical details of expository text, and analyzing characterization, plot, and theme.

Basic

Seventh 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 apply root words, prefixes, and suffixes to decode some unknown words, make inferences with limited support from text, and identify some types of conflict in literature.