

NSCSC 8th Grade English/Language Arts Benchmark Checklist

*Note: These Benchmarks are grade level expectations. These may be taken out of numerical order.

Key to reading Benchmark Checklist

- Open Dot (o) with score – denotes skill(s) met
- Solid Dot (●) – denotes skill(s) not met
- Checkmark through dot (◐) – denotes skill remediated and met

Students are able to:

Percent of Benchmarks Mastered: ____

Number	Description	Standard	Mastery	Student Score			
				1 st Try	2 nd Try	3 rd Try	4 th Try
(give Narrative Essay prior to ISTEP+)							
o 1	❖ Character, Plot, Theme, Setting	8.3.2, 8.3.3, 8.3.4, 8.3.5	5 of 7				
	❖ Narrative Essay: On-Demand Writing						
o 2	• Writing Applications	8.5.1	4 of 6				
o 3	• Language Conventions	8.6	3 of 4				
o 4	❖ Analogies	8.1.1	7 of 10				
o 5	❖ Constructed Response - “One Environment Many Worlds”	8.2	6 of 8				
	❖ Extended Response “Describe a Place”						
o 6	• Writing Applications	8.5.1	4 of 6				
o 7	• Language Conventions	8.6	3 of 4				
o 8	❖ Compare and Contrast	8.3.3	7 of 10				
	❖ Technical Writing: On-Demand Writing						
o 9	• Writing Applications	8.5.5	4 of 6				
o 10	• Language Conventions	8.6	3 of 4				
o 11	❖ Constructed Response - “Front Porch”	8.3	4 of 6				
o 12	❖ Irony	8.3.6	6 of 8				