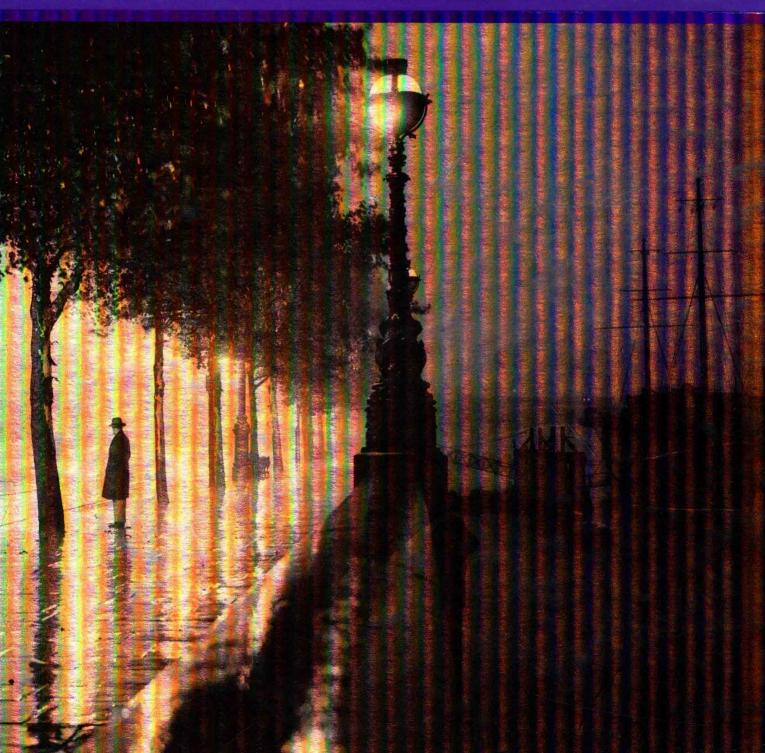
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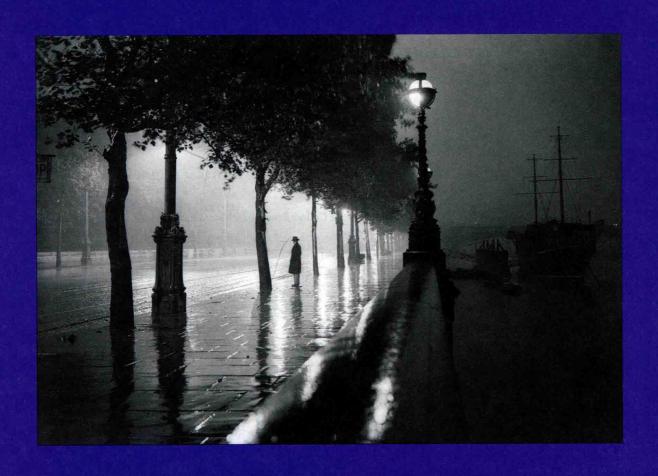
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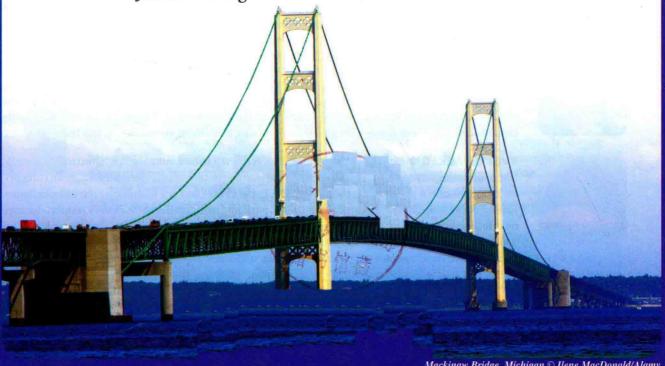
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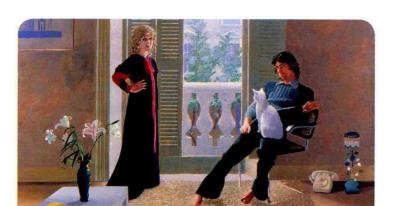
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Understanding the Michigan Content Expectations

What are the Michigan Content Expectations?

The Michigan Content Expectations outline what you should know and be able to do at each grade level, not only for success in taking tests like the ACT and SAT, but also so that you will be well equipped for everyday life and the workplace. Your teacher uses the expectations to create a course of instruction that will help you develop the skills and knowledge you are expected to have by the end of grade 12.

How will I learn the Michigan Content Expectations?

Your textbook is closely aligned to the Michigan High School Content Expectations for English Language Arts, so that every time you learn new information or practice a skill, you are mastering one of the expectations. Each unit, each selection, and each workshop in the textbook connects to an expectation that is listed on the opening page of the section.





The Michigan High School Content Expectations for English Language Arts are divided into four strands:

Strand 1: Writing, Speaking, and Expressing Strand 2: Reading, Listening, and Viewing

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Within each of the four strands are standards. These standards are further broken down into expectations, which describe what you must learn in order to master the standard. Michigan uses a special code to identify the strand, the standard, and the expectation.

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| HOW THE TESTS COMPARE | |
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| ACT | SAT |
| Required for admission at many colleges | Required for admission at many colleges |
| Tests achievement in English, reading, science reasoning, and math | Tests critical reading skills, math, and writing |
| Tests grammar skills | Tests grammar skills |
| Tests vocabulary skills | Places more emphasis on vocabulary |
| Multiple choice with an optional essay | Mostly multiple choice with an essay and 10 student-determined math questions |
| Does not penalize guessing, so answer every question | Penalizes guessing, so skip a question if you cannot eliminate any answer choices |
| Scores range from 1 to 36 for each of the four tests; a composite score, which is the average of the four test scores, can also range from 1–36 | Scores range from 200 to 800 for each of the three sections |