## English Language Proficiency (ELP) Standards/English Language Arts (ELA) Alignment

Integrating NE ELP Standards into ELA Teaching and Learning

Grade Level: Grades 2-3

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<th>Strategy Focus</th>
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<td><strong>ELA Standard:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>ELA Indicator (by grade):</strong></td>
<td><strong>LA 10.1.6</strong> Students will construct meaning by applying prior knowledge, using text information, and monitoring comprehension while reading increasingly complex grade-level literary and informational text.</td>
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<td><strong>ELP Corresponding Standard(s):</strong></td>
<td><strong>LA 2/3.1.6.i</strong> Construct and/or answer literal and inferential questions and support answers with specific evidence from the text or additional sources.</td>
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<td><strong>Objective/Learning Target:</strong></td>
<td>I can identify the sources of information needed to appropriately answer a question.</td>
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<td><strong>Time Required:</strong></td>
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| **Materials Needed:** | 1. Handout 1 (QAR Handout #1) – See Attached  
2. Handout 2 (QAR Handout #1) – See Attached  
3. Content-specific text (e.g., textbooks, article, etc.) |
| **Strategy Overview and Rationale:** | Question-Answer Relationship (QAR) is a questioning strategy that helps students identify the kinds of information required to answer questions, the sources of that information, and how to retrieve information from text. The two primary sources of information are in the book (text-based) and in the head (knowledge-based). |
Using QAR helps the reader search for and summarize information in the text as well as access and use background information

| **Step-By-Step Instructions:** | 1. Prior to the lesson, create QAR questions from small sections of text (not longer than five sentences) for each of the four levels. Using these questions, model how each level of the QAR questions can be identified and answered. Discuss the differences between questions using the class textbook and subject exam questions.  
  - *Right There:* the answer is found in the text, usually as a phrase contained within one sentence.  
  - *Think and Search:* while the answer is in the text, the student is required to combine separate sections or pieces of text to answer the question.  
  - *Author and You:* as the answer is not directly stated in the text, the student draws on prior knowledge as well as what the author has written to answer the question.  
  - *On Your Own:* requires students to think about what is already known from their reading and experience (prior knowledge) to formulate an answer.  
  
2. Distribute sample questions to students to answer in pairs or small groups. Students identify which of the QAR levels they used.  

3. Students work independently on questions from longer passages. Students will examine the types of questions in their textbooks. |

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  - Provide shorter texts on familiar topics.  
  - Have student use words or phrases to answer questions on familiar texts and topics.  
  - Have student answer questions using picture and word cards on familiar texts and topics. |  
  - Use a sentence frame to communicate answers to given questions with shorter, familiar texts.  
  - Provide sentence frames to support students in a structured conversation.  
  - Answer questions using one or two |  
  - Have students use a word bank to communicate answers to given questions on a variety of topics.  
  - Talk with a partner about prior knowledge and elaborate on own ideas.  
  - Answer questions independently by retrieving |
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<td>• Have student answer questions using one or two words from the text.</td>
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<td>• Summarize by using background information and using the text.</td>
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**Resources:** QAR Handouts (see attached)

**Meta Tagging:** Reading, Comprehension, QAR
# Question-Answer Relationship (QAR)

## IN THE BOOK

### Right There

The answer is in one place in the text. You can put your finger on it. Words from the question and words that answer the questions are often “right there” in the same sentence.

**Strategies:**
- Reread
- Scan
- Look for keywords

### Think and Search

The answer is in several places in the text. You put together (think and search) different parts of the text to find the answer.

**Strategies:**
- Skim or reread
- Look for important information
- Piece together different parts from the text to answer the question

## IN MY HEAD

### Author and Me

The answer is not explicitly in the text. You must combine previous knowledge with information in the text to create a response.

**Strategies:**
- Reread
- Think about what you already know and what the text says

### On My Own

The answer is not in the text. The answer comes from your own thoughts in your head.

**Strategies**
- Think about what you already know
- Make connections to self, other texts, and the world
- Develop new ideas
Question answer relationship

In the Book Questions

Right There Questions
Cue Words: Who, When, Where, Identify, List

Think and Search Questions
Cue Words: Compare, Predict, Draw Conclusions

In My Head Questions

Author and Me Questions
Cue Words: Interact, Relate to, Connect, Associate

On My Own Questions
Cue Words: Speculate, Apply, Hypothesize, Explore