

STAAR ALTERNATE 2 INSTRUCTIONAL TERMS FOR READING LANGUAGE ARTS / ENGLISH

For all subject areas, TEA provides a list of specific instructional terms that students will need exposure to during classroom instruction because the terms may be used on the assessment. However, the lists do not reference all the content a student would be responsible for. Students must become familiar with these terms as they are developmentally able to comprehend the content. Students in higher grades need to also know the terms presented in earlier grades.

Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	English I & English II
<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adjective • article • author • author’s purpose • character • conclusion • describe, description • details • explains • information • means, meaning, word meaning • poem • problem • retell • setting • similar • singular, plural • story • text • title <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • capitalization • capital letter, lowercase letter, uppercase letter • complete sentence • contraction • edit, revise • end punctuation 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • key idea • opposite • same, similar • summary <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apostrophe • capitalized, capitalizes • comma • conjunction • incomplete sentence • phrase • subject-verb agreement • underlined 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • definition • section • text <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • contraction 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alliteration • conflict • figurative language • infer, inference • lines (in a poem) • poet, rhythm, rhyme • resolution, resolve • stanza <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apostrophe • possessive • sentence structure 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • concludes • multi-meaning words • prefix, suffix • synonym <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adverb 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • root word <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • article (part of speech) • fragment (sentence) • run-on sentence 	<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • outcome • plot • supports • tone <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • complex sentence • compound sentence • possession • quotation marks

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Grade 3***Writing, cont.***

- exclamation point, exclamation mark
- noun, pronoun, proper noun
- paragraph
- period
- preposition
- punctuate, punctuation mark
- question mark
- sentence
- verb, verb form, verb tense