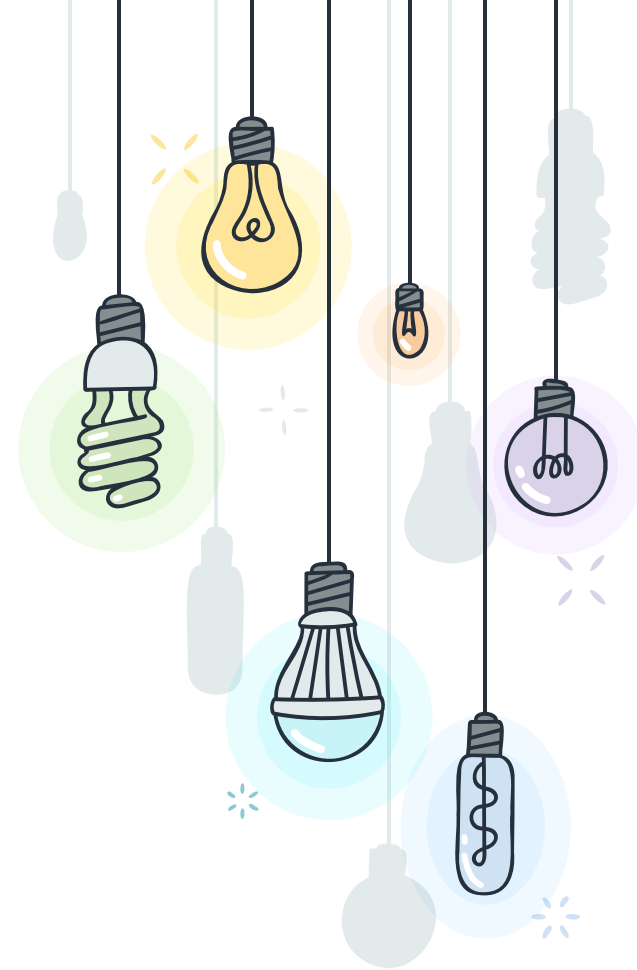




LANGUAGE ARTS NAVIGATE  
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# ELA NAVIGATE CLASSES

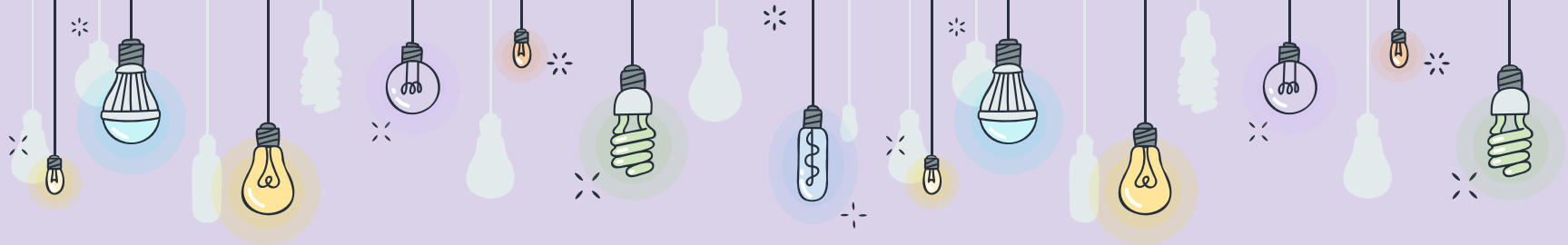
**Grades 1, 2, 3: One hour / week**

**Grade 4: Two hours / week**

**Grade 5: Three hours / week**

***Thought: Where will your child spend most of their time as a reader and a writer?***

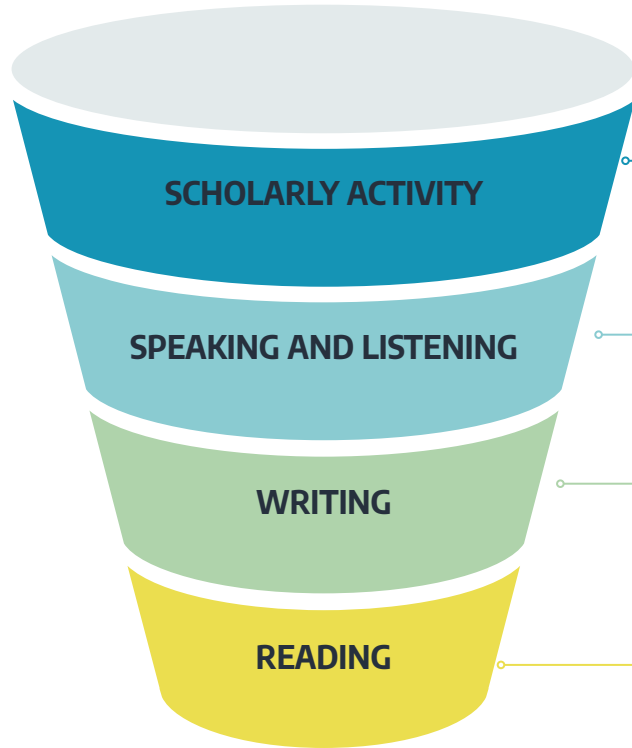




# REPORT CARDS AND CONFERENCES

- ★ Conferences scheduled for February (during district conference dates)
- ★ Two report cards:
  - Checklist in January
  - Checklist and comments in June
  - Skills: Literary / Writing / Speaking and Listening, along with work habits

# AREAS OF INSTRUCTION IN ELA NAVIGATE



**SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY**

**Debate, discussion,  
discourse**

**SPEAKING AND LISTENING**

**Purpose of communication:  
to understand OTHERS**

**WRITING**

**How to express ourselves in  
an articulate way**

**READING**

**Beyond plot: reading  
thematically, figuratively  
metaphorically**



# GRADE 1: BEYOND SMART: BEING CLEVER

*Focus is on:*

Vocabulary

Word play

Critical and creative thinking skills

Literature: Characters who demonstrate intelligence, resourcefulness



# GRADE 2: BEYOND STORY: WORLD OF KNOWLEDGE

*Focus is on:*

Nonfiction

Questioning and research

Development of background knowledge to support fiction reading

Starting from personal (our houses and our life)...

Moving to global (what life is like around world)



# GRADE 3: ONE WORLD: EXPLORING BIG STORIES

*Focus is on:*

**The Purpose of Myth:** Why stories are so powerful across history and culture

**World mythology:** Stories that tell us about history and culture

**Hero's Journey** in myth, legends and modern literature







# HOMWORK PHILOSOPHY

Ideally, an accurate reflection of what a child knows or can do

Homework is assigned only when meaningful and necessary

Homework should be a reflection of what students know -  
struggle is okay

Mistakes are okay! Poor effort is not.



# HOMWORK: PARENTS AS PARTNERS

***We hope that you as parents will...***

Have conversations with your child about his/her learning or homework

Help to spell a word, explain a direction, or offer a pep talk

Contact me if your child seems frustrated with the assignment, Navigate expectations, or if you feel your child's work doesn't represent their best effort

# THANKS!

*Any questions?*  
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