



State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness Alternate 2 (STAAR® Alternate 2) Performance Level Descriptors Grade 7 Writing

Performance Level Descriptors

Students achieving Accomplished Performance can

- Revise drafts for coherence, organization, use of simple and compound sentences, and audience
- Edit text to combine more complex sentences
- Combine sentences to create a compound sentence
- Examine a paragraph for correct capitalization
- Analyze text to edit grammar, mechanics, and spelling
- Combine words to create a contraction

Students achieving Satisfactory Performance can

- Revise text using appropriate word choice
- Use correct prepositions and prepositional phrases
- Combine two simple sentences to create one compound sentence
- Correct a sentence for correct capitalization
- Correct a sentence for correct punctuation
- Edit spelling of consonant-vowel-consonant +e (CVC+e) words
- Combine two words to create a common contraction

Students achieving Developing Performance can

- Respond to the addition or deletion of a word, phrase, or sentence
- Identify punctuation marks at the end of declarative, exclamatory, and interrogative sentences
- Recognize capitalization of proper nouns
- Recognize common contractions