

# ◆ Curriculum Matrix ◆

## Generic Sample

Your state standards	The essential skills crosswalked to your state standards	Your state test crosswalked to your state standards		Summary of priority ratings in Columns 3 and 4 <small>(helps teachers prioritize instruction)</small>	
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	
Communication Arts Standards/Benchmarks/Indicators Grade 11	Curriculum Survey of Essential Skills National Ranking Rank	State Test Grade 11	Curriculum Survey	Priority	The Grades 3-12 Curriculum Matrix for your state is included in  <b>Achieving AYP Using State-specific Curriculum Matrix Data</b>  <b>Improving Performance for Special Education Students</b>  <b>No Child Left Behind State-specific Resource Kit for School</b>
<b>Standard 2 – Writing</b> Learners write effectively for a variety of audiences, purposes, and contexts <b>Benchmark 1:</b> A proficient writer uses ideas that are well developed, clear and interesting.					
<b>Indicator 1:</b> select topics that are original and appropriate to the task.	3	H	H	H	
<b>Indicator 2:</b> write insightfully from knowledge or experience.	36	H	M	H	
<b>Benchmark 2:</b> The proficient writer uses authentic and appropriate voice					
<b>Indicator 1:</b> write expository, technical, or persuasive pieces that reflect a strong commitment to the topic and an effort to bring it to life by anticipating the reader's questions and showing why the reader should want to know more.	12	L ↑	H ↑	M	
	Essential skill ranking <small>(out of 101 English topics)</small>	High, Medium, or Low probability of being tested	Priority ratings of essential skills <small>1-35=High; 36-70=Medium; 71 &amp; up=Low</small>		

How to read the  
Curriculum Matrix Charts