

Fluency Definition and Fluency Standards

According to Webster's dictionary-

Fluency – the quality or state of being fluent

Fluent – capable of using a language easily and accurately

Fluency Standards – Listening and Speaking

- Convey the sequence of steps in an extended set of spoken directions, using clear reference and precise vocabulary.
- Speak, using native-like fluency, with flexibility and the mastery of a variety of English grammatical structures and linguistic forms including, but not limited to:
 - Verb tenses (past perfect progressive and future perfect progressive tenses, past unreal conditionals, modals in past tense);
 - Transitional devices; and
 - Varied sentence structures.
- Demonstrate linguistic control and adjust language for clarity and accuracy.

Fluency Standards – Writing

- Use the writing process to create formal communications that are distinguished by
 - Clear and focused ideas that are well-supported with ample and varied details;
 - A clear and coherent organization that showcases the central ideas and contains thoughtful transitions;
 - A strong sense of audience (voice that is engaging and committed to the topic);
 - Effective language that conveys the intended message in an appropriate and interesting way; and.
 - Writing that is fluent with easy flow and rhythm, and complex structures.
- Produce independent writing that uses the following English conventions:
 - Verb tenses (past perfect progressive and future progressive tenses, past unreal conditionals, modals in past tense);
 - Transitional devices;
 - Varied sentence structures with phrases and clauses;
 - The active voice
 - Parallel structures; and,
 - Correct spelling, punctuation, capitalization, grammar, and usage.