

**“I Can” Common Core!**

5th Grade Language

**I can use proper English  
when I write and speak.**

**I can explain the use of  
conjunctions,  
prepositions, and  
interjections.**

**L.5.1**

**I can form and use the  
perfect verb tenses.**

**L.5.1**

**I can use verb tenses to  
show meaning.**

**L.5.1**

**I can fix verb tenses  
that are used  
incorrectly.**

**L.5.1**

**I can use either/or and  
neither/nor correctly.**

**L.5.1**

**I can use commas  
correctly.**

**L.5.2**

**I can use underlining,  
quotation marks,  
or italics correctly to  
indicate titles of works.**

**L.5.2**



**I can spell fifth grade  
words correctly.**

**L.5.2**

**I can use what I know  
about language in  
different situations.**

**I can expand, combine  
and reduce sentences  
to make them more  
interesting.**

**L.5.3**

**I can compare and  
contrast English  
used in writing.**

**L.5.3**

**I can figure out what  
words mean and use  
them in different  
situations.**

**I can use context clues  
to help me  
understand new words.**

**L.5.4**

**I can use affixes and  
root words to help me  
learn new words.**

**L.5.4**

**I can use dictionaries,  
glossaries, thesauruses to  
help me understand and  
pronounce new words.**

**L.5.4**



**I can interpret  
figurative language.**

**L.5.5**

**I can explain the  
meaning of common  
idioms, adages,  
proverbs.**

**L.5.5**

**I can use the relationship  
of synonyms, antonyms,  
and homographs to help  
me understand each word.**

**L.5.5**

**I can use  
fifth grade words  
correctly.  
L.5.6**