# **Diagnostic Literacy Assessment (DLA)**

### Reading: Informational Text 11-12.1

Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

### Writing 11-12.1

Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

4 Very effectively introduces	3	2 Introduces claims while	1	0 There is no, or insufficient
significant claims and counterclaims, providing	counterclaims, providing thorough evidence of each.	acknowledging counterclaims.	acknowledging counterclaims.	evidence of learning to assess the standard at this time.
thorough evidence of each.	Writes clearly and shows the	Provides logical evidence.	Provides clear evidence.	
Writes very clearly and shows the relationships between reasons, claims, and evidence.	relationships between reasons, claims, and evidence.	Writes clearly and supported reasons, claims, and evidence.	Shows how reasons support the claims.	
Maintains a formal style	Maintains a formal style appropriate to the discipline of	Maintains a formal style.	Provides a concluding statement to the claims.	
appropriate to the discipline of the topic and targeted audience.	the topic.	Provides a concluding statement that followed the claims.		
Provides a strong concluding statement that supported the claims.	Provides a concluding statement that supported the claims.			

## Diagnostic Literacy Assessment (DLA) - "I can" statements

### Reading Informational Text - RI 11-12.1

I can define textual evidence ("word for word" support)

I can define inference and explain how a reader uses textual evidence to reach a logical conclusion ("based on what I've read, It's most likely true that...").

I can read closely and find answers explicitly in text (right there answers) and answers that require an inference.

I can analyze an author's words and determine multiple pieces of textual evidence that strongly and thoroughly support both explicit and inferential questions.

I can determine places in the text that leave matters uncertain (e.g., when the reader must draw his/her own conclusions/assumptions).

# Writing - W 11-12.1

I can analyze substantive (influential) topics or texts to determine an argument that causes or has caused a debate in society.

I can choose a side of the argument, identify precise, knowledgeable claims, and establish the significance of the claim(s).

I can identify alternate or opposing claims that counter my argument.

I can organize claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence into a logical sequence.

I can anticipate my audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases and develop my claims and counterclaims by pointing out the most relevant strengths and limitations of both.

I can present my argument in a formal style and objective tone.

I can create cohesion and clarify relationships among claims and counterclaims using transitions as well as varied syntax.

I can provide a concluding statement/section that supports my argument.