

CALIFORNIA Escalate English

Grades 4–8

Program Organization

- **Escalate English Student Edition** is a collection of six multi-genre units of study, topically-connected language, and activities that are cognitively and linguistically demanding.
- The **Browse Magazine** includes topical articles related to the Student Edition that feature idiomatic language, puzzles, and engaging visuals for independent reading.
- The **Activity Book** contains listening, speaking, reading, writing, and viewing practice, plus personalized toolboxes and glossary.
- The **Teacher's Edition** provides a complete instructional plan and point-of-use instructional strategies and suggestions for scaffolding to address the needs of learners at multiple levels of proficiency.
- View all **Escalate English** content and navigate to any text, lesson, or media from your online **dashboard**.
- All topics in **Escalate English** align to the topics in HMH® **CA Journeys** (Grades TK–5) and HMH **CA Collections** (Grades 6–8).



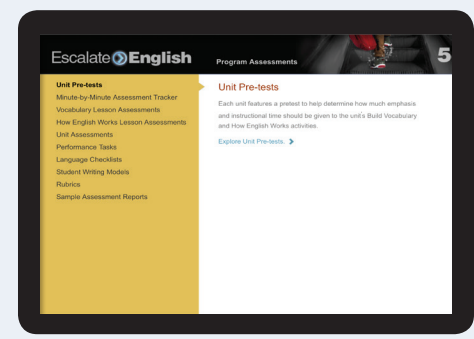
Instructional Planning and Support

- The **Teacher's Edition** (in print and online) is organized into six units of instruction. Each unit contains 30 lessons, each chunked into 15-minute sections.
- Planning support in the **Teacher's Edition**
 - **Unit at a Glance** provides a view of the selections, performance tasks, topics within How English Works, Vocabulary Strategies, and Academic Vocabulary.
 - Weekly **Instructional Overviews** delineate what is presented in each of the four parts of the lesson.
 - **CA ELA/ELD citations** and all resources for each lesson are listed at the beginning of each lesson.
- **mySmartPlanner** pre-populates 180 days of instruction and allows teachers to customize and view plans.
- **Family letters** in both English and Spanish detail the instruction and assessment in each unit.



Assessment

- A wide array of diverse **Assessments** that evaluate learning and help guide and inform instruction include:
 - **Unit Pretests** that measure students' knowledge of unit vocabulary and language structures.
 - **How English Works Assessments** are administered after every five lessons and measure mastery of concepts.
 - **Vocabulary Assessments** given after every 10 lessons will confirm that students know and can use the vocabulary.
 - **Performance Tasks** occur several times within each unit and require the creation of original written or spoken responses and products.
 - **Culminating Unit Performance Tasks**
 - **Unit Assessments** feature questions in multiple formats including digitally with tech-enhanced items.
- **Rubrics for Evaluation** are provided for speaking and writing.
- **Language Analysis Formative Checklists** provide a running record of students' language performance.
- **Minute-by-Minute Performance Trackers** allow teachers to record students' progress against the ELD standards.



Universal Access

- **Just Right Scaffolding** in the Teacher's Edition provides varied levels of support for students at the Emerging, Expanding, and Bridging Levels.
- **Text X-Ray** highlights aspects of each complex text that may prove challenging, providing strategies to scaffold instruction.
- **Show-It Visuals** provide instruction in a visual context and allow students to focus on presented content.
- **Graphic Organizers** are used throughout to help students comprehend and organize information.
- **LanguageCam Videos** provide additional models for language use.
- **Teacher Features** provide information about language transfer issues and will help teachers understand why certain structures are confusing to some students.



Broadly Literate

Readiness for College, Career, and Civic Life

21st Century

Capacities of Literate Individuals

Language Development

The **Language of (Topic)** lessons present essential words and phrases needed to communicate about the topic.


Critical Vocabulary is integrated throughout each selection.

Language stems, sentence starters, and graphic organizers are provided in the Teacher’s Edition and the student **Activity Book**.

LanguageCam videos provide models of academic language in real-life contexts giving students opportunities to hear—and see—how language is used.


Teacher’s Edition includes information about cognates, language transfer, and other features that support language acquisition.


My Word List encourages students to build a deep vocabulary base.

 **Blogs and Podcasts** provide engaging, rich models for language.


Content Knowledge

Informational texts in the **Student Edition** focus on grade-level science and social studies content and build academic language across the curriculum.

 **For Your Information website**, hmhfyi.com, gives students the experience of finding relevant and reliable information online.

 **Stream to Start™ Videos** connect to each unit by providing motivating information related to the topic.

Content-related critical vocabulary is emphasized in **Build Vocabulary** lessons.

 The **Browse Magazine** includes topical articles related to the Student Edition that feature idiomatic language, puzzles, and engaging visuals for independent reading.


Authentic Podcasts support content knowledge while sharpening students’ listening and comprehension skills.


Meaning Making

Varied **Student Edition texts** model language, provide explicit vocabulary and language instruction, and support students as they create meaning for a variety of purposes.

Connecting Image and Theme and **Connecting Word and Theme** activate prior knowledge and begin student/teacher and student/student conversation about the topic.

How English Works lessons provide instruction to increase automaticity and accuracy, beginning with oral language.


 **Text X-Ray** presented in the Student Edition, focusing on critical vocabulary and potential language challenges students may encounter.

 **Digital annotation** tools encourage personalized analysis, synthesis, and note-taking.

Show-It Visuals provide instruction in a visual context and allow students to focus on presented content.




Effective Expression


 **Collaborative Discussion** prompts following each selection in the Student Edition encourage relevant discussion.

The **Language of (Topic)** lessons present essential words and phrases needed to communicate about the topic.

Speak Out! and **Write On!** activities prompt students to react orally to content they have just heard or read.

 **myWriteSmart**, an online writing tool, supports students’ writing in a collaborative environment.

Performance Tasks within each unit require the creation of original written or spoken responses and products.

 **Skills Toolboxes** in the Student Edition include strategies for listening, speaking, reading, writing, and research.

Foundational Skills

Teacher’s Edition provides teaching strategies for improving fluency, word recognition, and phonics.

Unit Pre-Tests identify students’ strengths and weaknesses, particularly in regard to vocabulary and language structure.

Language and Grammar Handbook provides targeted practice and/or remediation.

Phonics and Spelling Handbook provides targeted practice and/or remediation.

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