

# Alignment of *i-Ready*Diagnostic Objectives to State Standards

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#### **Overview**

The primary purpose of *i-Ready Assessment* and Personalized Instruction is to provide teachers with precise information on what students know and can do, and actionable instructional information based on where each student is along the learning trajectory. This document outlines aspects of *i-Ready* content validity and the assessment process for documenting alignment to state standards.

## Content of the *i-Ready Diagnostic* Assessment

The *i-Ready Diagnostic* was designed to support educators and students in classroom instruction. This includes providing educators with opportunities to make data-driven decisions for their students and to optimize each student's educational growth.

We know that not all content in each grade is emphasized equally in any set of standards. Some content requires greater emphasis based on the depth of the ideas, the instructional time required, and/or its importance to future college, career, and workforce readiness.

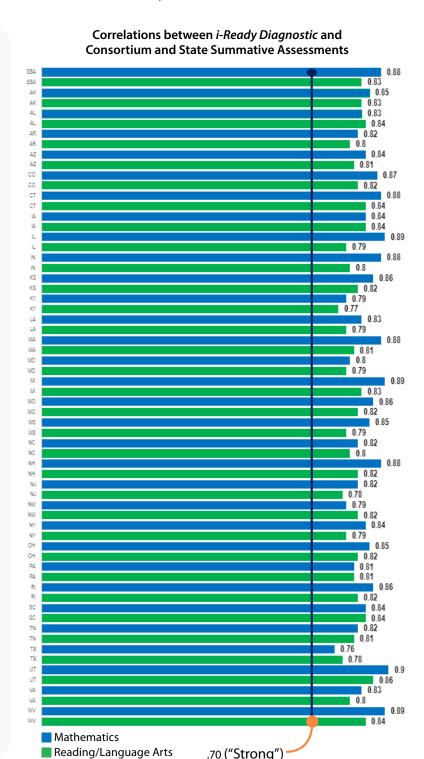
There may also be some state standards that are not specifically assessed by the *i-Ready Diagnostic* or perhaps some standards that are on the Diagnostic but not included in state standards; however, the Diagnostic is designed to measure the most critical and relevant work of the grade. At times, the focus of state standards may shift, but generally the core content remains consistent. This is the content that is essential to student learning at each grade and subject. The *i-Ready Diagnostic* is designed to measure this essential content.

## Correlations to State Assessments

The *i-Ready Diagnostic* correlates highly with more than 44 state tests as well as Smarter Balanced Assessments. This is a robust objective that *i-Ready Diagnostic* measures the most important, relevant, and widely assessed content in most states. While not all state standards are the same, it is clear that *i-Ready* measures the most critical work.

The quality of an assessment's design is often a key factor in the quality of its results and, ultimately, whether those results are able to help inform decisions in the classroom. In order to develop assessments that meet the needs of users and produce intended results, a theory of action is created to articulate how the assessment is designed to work and produce the intended results. The purpose of our validation process is to systematically collect evidence guided by a theory of action developed for the *i-Ready* Diagnostic as a component of a larger theory of action about how these assessments are intended to be used within a system.

The *i-Ready* development process is meticulous, strategic, and intended to produce items and reports that are instructionally valuable and actionable. A test score is only useful to the extent that it provides valid information about the degree to which a student understands the content standards targeted for assessment. While ensuring alignment between test blueprints, test items, and the content standards is necessary, it is not sufficient. It is also necessary to show that test items were designed, developed, and evaluated using highquality, technically sound procedures.



# Objective Alignments

One of the primary questions from educators is, "Does the i-Ready Diagnostic adequately cover the concepts in my state standards?" Curriculum Associates follows a rigorous process for determining how state standards relate to i-Ready Diagnostic objectives.

The process of aligning i-Ready objectives to state standards is completed by content experts. These alignments are then reviewed by alignment editors for accuracy and consistency.

The i-Ready objectives are aligned to Grades K-12 state standards using the following guidelines:

- Matches between state standards and i-Ready objectives in the same grade and strand of the objectives are determined.
- · Any off-grade matches between standards and objectives are determined. It is possible to find a match one grade above or one grade below.
- A standard may align to more than one objective.
- When a partial match is found, we provide parsed text of the standard language. The parsed text represents a direct alignment to the objective.

The table below provides links to the alignment documents for each state.

### **Considerations**

As with most other assessments, the i-Ready Diagnostic cannot reasonably test students on every piece of content within a domain. Students are presented with content-relevant items, from a pool of eligible items, based on the student's grade level and the domain being assessed. The eligible pool of items is representative of the domain in both content and difficulty.

## State Alignments to i-Ready Objectives

State	Reading	Mathematics
Alabama	AL Reading Crosswalk	AL Mathematics Crosswalk
Alaska	AK Reading Crosswalk	AK Mathematics Crosswalk
Arizona	AZ Reading Crosswalk	AZ Mathematics Crosswalk
Arkansas	AR Reading Crosswalk	AR Mathematics Crosswalk
California	CA Reading Crosswalk	CA Mathematics Crosswalk
Colorado	CO Reading Crosswalk	CO Mathematics Crosswalk
Connecticut	CT Reading Crosswalk	CT Mathematics Crosswalk

State	Reading	Mathematics
Delaware	DE Reading Crosswalk	DE Mathematics Crosswalk
Florida	FL Reading Crosswalk	FL Mathematics Crosswalk
Georgia	GA Reading Crosswalk	GA Mathematics Crosswalk
Hawaii	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Idaho	ID Reading Crosswalk	ID Mathematics Crosswalk
Illinois	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Indiana	IN Reading Crosswalk	IN Mathematics Crosswalk
lowa	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Kansas	KS Reading Crosswalk	KS Mathematics Crosswalk
Kentucky	KY Reading Crosswalk	KY Mathematics Crosswalk
Louisiana	LA Reading Crosswalk	LA Mathematics Crosswalk
Maine	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Maryland	MD Reading Crosswalk	MD Mathematics Crosswalk
Massachusetts	MA Reading Crosswalk	MA Mathematics Crosswalk
Michigan	MI Reading Crosswalk	MI Mathematics Crosswalk
Minnesota	MN Reading Crosswalk	MN Mathematics Crosswalk
Mississippi	MS Reading Crosswalk	MS Mathematics Crosswalk
Missouri	MO Reading Crosswalk	MO Mathematics Crosswalk
Montana	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Nebraska	NE Reading Crosswalk	NE Mathematics Crosswalk
Nevada	NV Reading Crosswalk	NV Mathematics Crosswalk
New Hampshire	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk

State	Reading	Mathematics
New Jersey	NJ Reading Crosswalk	NJ Mathematics Crosswalk
New Mexico	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
New York	NY Reading Crosswalk	NY Mathematics Crosswalk
North Carolina	NC Reading Crosswalk	NC Mathematics Crosswalk
North Dakota	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Ohio	OH Reading Crosswalk	OH Mathematics Crosswalk
Oklahoma	OK Reading Crosswalk	OK Mathematics Crosswalk
Oregon	OR Reading Crosswalk	OR Mathematics Crosswalk
Pennsylvania	PA Reading Crosswalk	PA Mathematics Crosswalk
Rhode Island	RI Reading Crosswalk	RI Mathematics Crosswalk
South Carolina	SC Reading Crosswalk	SC Mathematics Crosswalk
South Dakota	SD Reading Crosswalk	SD Mathematics Crosswalk
Tennessee	TN Reading Crosswalk	TN Mathematics Crosswalk
Texas	TX Reading Crosswalk	TX Mathematics Crosswalk
Utah	UT Reading Crosswalk	UT Mathematics Crosswalk
Vermont	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Virginia	VA Reading Crosswalk	VA Mathematics Crosswalk
Washington	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
Washington, DC	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk
West Virginia	WV Reading Crosswalk	WV Mathematics Crosswalk
Wisconsin	WI Reading Crosswalk	WI Mathematics Crosswalk
Wyoming	CCSS Reading Crosswalk	CCSS Mathematics Crosswalk