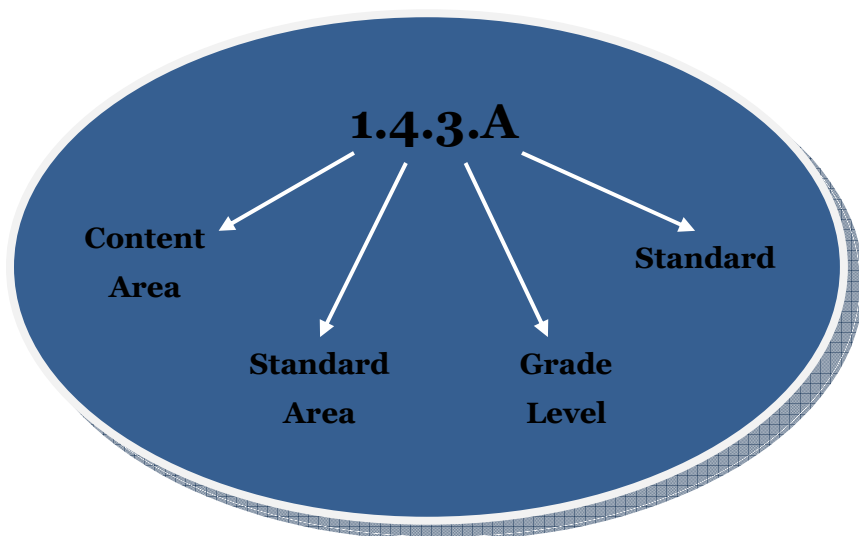


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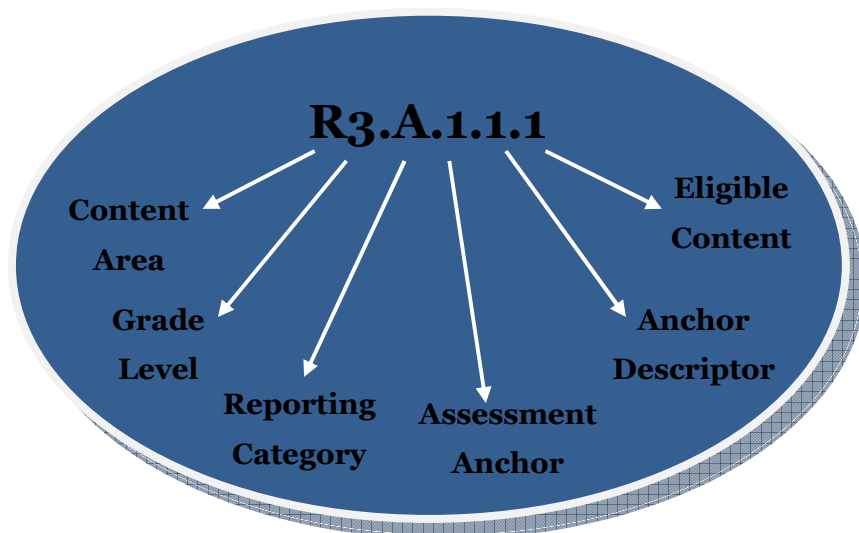
## Standards Coding



### Standard Coding:

- 1 indicates the Content Area - *Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening*.
- 4 is the Standard Area - *Types of Writing* (RWSL has 9 Standard Areas).
- 3 is the Grade Level of the standard
- A is the ordinal descriptor that identifies the specific Standard statement - *Write poems and stories; include detailed descriptions of people, places, and things, include literary elements*.

## Assessment Anchor Coding

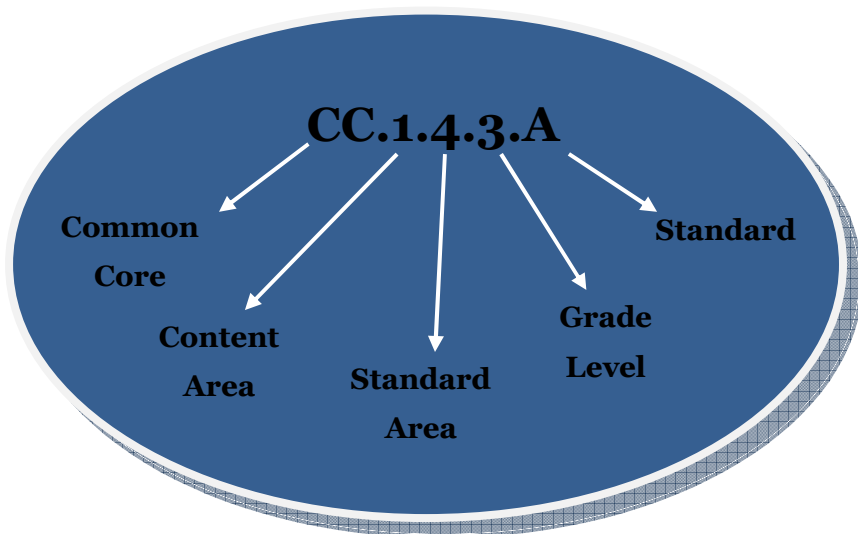


### Anchor Coding:

- R indicates that this is a *Reading* anchor.
- 3 is the Grade Level of the anchor.
- A is the Reporting Category *Comprehension and Reading Skills*.
- The first number 1 is the Assessment Anchor, and defines the skill that is assessed on the PSSA - *Describe and interpret literary elements within and among texts*.
- The second number 1 is an ordinal descriptor which indicates the Anchor Descriptor – *Compare characters, settings and plots*.
- The final number 1 is an ordinal descriptor that indicates the Eligible Content statement - *Identify and/or interpret meaning of multiple-meaning words used in text*.

# PA Common Core Standards

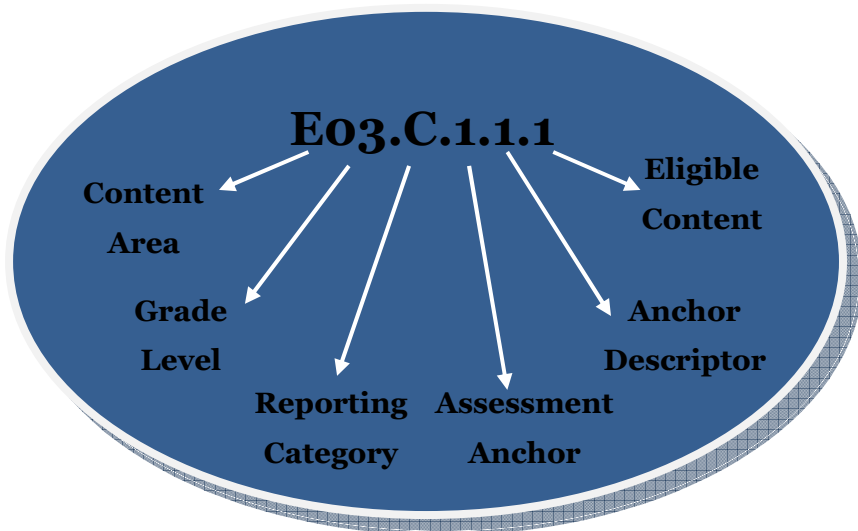
## Standards Coding



### Standard Coding:

- CC indicates that this is a Common Core Standard
- 1 indicates the Content Area – *English Language Arts*.
- 4 is the Standard Area - *Writing* (ELA has 5 Standard Areas).
- 3 is the Grade Level of the Standard
- A is the ordinal descriptor that identifies the specific Standard statement - *Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.*

## Assessment Anchor Coding



### Anchor Coding:

- E indicates that this is an *English* anchor.
- 03 is the grade level of the anchor.
- C is the reporting category *Writing*.
- The next number 1 is the Assessment Anchor, and defines the skill that is assessed on the PSSA – *Text types and purposes*.
- The second number 1 is an ordinal descriptor which indicates the Anchor Descriptor – *Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons*.
- The final number 1 is an ordinal descriptor that indicates the Eligible Content statement - *Introduce the topic or text for the intended audience, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons to support the writer's purpose*.