

# Glossary

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## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

### Glossary of Terms

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**English / Somali**

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**Translation of ELA Terms  
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## ENGLISH

### A

1	action
2	active voice
3	according to the information
4	adjective
5	alliteration
6	allusion
7	alternate claim
8	analogy
9	analyze
10	anecdote
11	another
12	answer
13	argument
14	article
15	arrange
16	audience
17	author
18	author's purpose

### B

1	because
2	before
3	beginning
4	bibliography
5	biography
6	both

### C

1	capitalization
2	cause
3	cause/effect

## SOMALI

1	ficil
2	cod firfircoon
3	marka la raaco macluumaadka
4	magac tilmaame
5	qaafiyad
6	sarbeeb
7	sheegasho beddel ah
8	u-eekaansho/shabahaad
9	falanqayn
10	ku-tidhi-ku-teen
11	mid kale
12	jawaab
13	muran
14	maqaalka
15	nidaami
16	dhegaysteyaal
17	qore
18	ujeedka qoraha

1	sababtoo ah
2	ka hor
3	bilaw
4	qoraal xigasho
5	taariif nololeed
6	labadaba

1	xaraf-weyneyn
2	sabab
3	sabab/saameyn

## ENGLISH

4	<b>chapter</b>
5	<b>character</b>
6	<b>characteristics</b>
7	<b>chart</b>
8	<b>check</b>
9	<b>choose</b>
10	<b>circle</b>
11	<b>citation</b>
12	<b>cite</b>
13	<b>claim</b>
14	<b>classification</b>
15	<b>clause</b>
16	<b>collaborative discussion</b>
17	<b>comma (,)</b>
18	<b>compare</b>
19	<b>compare and contrast (in writing)</b>
20	<b>complex sentence</b>
21	<b>compound sentence</b>
22	<b>compound-complex sentence</b>
23	<b>concluding statement/section</b>
24	<b>concrete detail</b>
25	<b>conflict</b>
26	<b>contrast</b>
27	<b>connotation</b>
28	<b>context</b>
29	<b>conventions</b>
30	<b>credible source</b>

## SOMALI

4	<b>cutub</b>
5	<b>daweecad/Jilaa</b>
6	<b>astaamo</b>
7	<b>shaxan</b>
8	<b>hubi</b>
9	<b>dooro</b>
10	<b>goobo</b>
11	<b>xigasho</b>
12	<b>xigo</b>
13	<b>sheegasho</b>
14	<b>kala-soocid</b>
15	<b>farqad, qayb-weedheed</b>
16	<b>wada-hadal iskaashi leh</b>
17	<b>hakad (,)</b>
18	<b>isbarbardhig</b>
19	<b>isbarbardhig oo isku fiiri ( ee qoraal ah)</b>
20	<b>jumlad adag</b>
21	<b>jumlad iskudhisan</b>
22	<b>jumlad iskudhisan oo adag</b>
23	<b>hadalk gebogebeyn/qaybta</b>
24	<b>faalo cad</b>
25	<b>colaada</b>
26	<b>isu-fiirin</b>
27	<b>macno-sameyn</b>
28	<b>xaalad</b>
29	<b>heshiiska</b>
30	<b>xigasho lagu kalsoonaan karo</b>

## ENGLISH

## SOMALI

### D

1	definition	1	qeexid
2	demonstrate	2	muuji
3	describe	3	sharax
4	description	4	sharaxaad
5	detail	5	faalo
6	dialogue	6	wada-hadal
7	dictionary	7	qaamuus
8	digital source	8	xigasho dhigital ah
9	directions	9	jihooyin
10	distinguish	10	kala muuji
11	drama	11	riwaayad
12	draw conclusions	12	gaadh gebogebadii

### E

1	edit	1	tifaftir
2	elaborate	2	faahfaahi
3	end / the end	3	dhamaad/dhammaadka
4	enough	4	ku filan
5	essay	5	qormo bandhig
6	events	6	dhacdooyin
7	event sequence	7	isku-xigtada dhacdada
8	everyday speech	8	hadal maalmeed
9	evidence	9	caddayn
10	explain	10	sharax
11	explicit	11	muuqda

### F

1	fable	1	sheeko-xariir
2	fact	2	xaqiiqo
3	false	3	been
4	fantasy story	4	sheeko Khiyaali

## ENGLISH

5	fiction
6	figurative language
7	figure of speech
8	find the main idea
9	folktale
10	format
11	furthermore

## G

1	genre
2	glossary
3	go on

## H

1	happen
2	heading
3	help
4	historical novel/account
5	how
6	however

## I

1	identify
2	if ... then
3	illustrate
4	inference
5	informative/explanatory text
6	initially
7	inquiry
8	interpret
9	introduction
10	irony
11	issue

## SOMALI

5	khayaali
6	hadal leh shabahaad
7	shabahaad hadal
8	raadi fikradda weyn
9	sheeko dadweyne
10	qaab
11	dheeri ahaan

1	nooc
2	erey-bixin
3	sii soco

1	dhici
2	ciwaanka
3	gargaar
4	sheeko taariikheed/akaunti
5	sidee
6	haseyeeshe

1	aqoonsasho
2	haddii... markaas
3	sharax
4	go'aamin
5	macluumaad leh/sharaxaad qoraal ah
6	bilowgii
7	weydiin
8	u tarjun
9	hordhac
10	sarbeeb
11	arrin

## ENGLISH

### J

- 1 judgment
- 2 journal
- 3 justify

### K

- 1 key event
- 2 key detail/idea
- 3 know
- 4 knowledge

### L

- 1 list
- 2 literary nonfiction
- 3 literary text
- 4 listen
- 5 listening
- 6 long time ago

### M

- 1 main
- 2 main character
- 3 main idea
- 4 main purpose
- 5 make believe
- 6 memoir
- 7 mood
- 8 most important
- 9 most likely
- 10 motive
- 11 multimedia
- 12 myth

## SOMALI

- 1 hukun
- 2 joornaal
- 3 caddeyn
  
- 1 dhacdadamuhiim ah
- 2 faalada muhiimka ah/fikradda
- 3 ogaada
- 4 aqoonta
  
- 1 liiska
- 2 qoraal khiyaali aan ahayn
- 3 qoraal suugaaneed
- 4 dhegayso
- 5 dhegaysi
- 6 beri hore
  
- 1 ugu weyn
- 2 jillaha ugu weyn
- 3 fikradda ugu weyn
- 4 ujeedka ugu weyn
- 5 iska yeelyeelka rumayasan
- 6 xusuus qoran
- 7 niyadda
- 8 ugu muhiimsan
- 9 u badan tahay
- 10 sabab
- 11 warbaahin badan
- 12 quraafaad

## ENGLISH

### N

1	narrated experience/event
2	narrative
3	narrator
4	nonfiction
5	noun

### O

1	objective summary
2	obstacle
3	often
4	on the other hand
5	opinion
6	opposing claim
7	otherwise
8	outcome
9	outline

### P

1	paragraph
2	paraphrase
3	parentheses ( ... )
4	passage
5	person
6	phrase
7	plagiarism
8	plan
9	plot
10	poem/poetry
11	point of view/perspective

## SOMALI

1	waayo aragnimo laga sheekeeyay/dhacdo
2	sheeko
3	sheekeeye
4	khayaali aan ahayn
5	magac

1	koobitaan ujeedada
2	caqabad
3	badanaa
4	midda kale
5	ra'yi
6	sheegasho lid ah
7	sida kale
8	natiijo
9	muuqaal guud

1	baaragaraaf
2	ku sheeg ereyo kale
3	sharaxaad qaansooyin la dhexgelshay
4	qayb qoraaleed/maris
5	qof
6	qayb weedh
7	xatooyo afkaar
8	qorshe
9	naqshad qoraal/goob
10	gabay/maanso
11	aragti

## ENGLISH

12	<b>preceding</b>
13	<b>predict</b>
14	<b>print source</b>
15	<b>probably</b>
16	<b>problem</b>
17	<b>publish</b>
18	<b>pun</b>
19	<b>punctuation</b>
20	<b>purpose</b>

## Q

1	<b>question</b>
2	<b>quotation</b>

## R

1	<b>read</b>
2	<b>reader</b>
3	<b>read aloud</b>
4	<b>reading</b>
5	<b>ready</b>
6	<b>real</b>
7	<b>reason</b>
8	<b>reflection</b>
9	<b>research</b>
10	<b>resolution</b>
11	<b>respond</b>
12	<b>response</b>
13	<b>rhyme</b>
14	<b>revise</b>
15	<b>role</b>

## SOMALI

12	<b>ka horeeya</b>
13	<b>saadaali</b>
14	<b>xigasho daabacan</b>
15	<b>suurtogal ahaan</b>
16	<b>dhibaato</b>
17	<b>daabac</b>
18	<b>erey maldah</b>
19	<b>astaameyn</b>
20	<b>ujeed</b>

1	<b>su'aal</b>
2	<b>hadal xigasho</b>

1	<b>akhri</b>
2	<b>akhriste</b>
3	<b>sare u akhri</b>
4	<b>akhrin</b>
5	<b>diyaar</b>
6	<b>dhab</b>
7	<b>sabab</b>
8	<b>fiiro</b>
9	<b>cilmi-baadhis</b>
10	<b>go'aan</b>
11	<b>ka jawaab</b>
12	<b>jawaab</b>
13	<b>qaafiyad</b>
14	<b>naqtiin</b>
15	<b>door</b>

## ENGLISH

## SOMALI

### S

1	scene	1	muuqaal/qoobta
2	sensory language	2	hadal dareen
3	sentence	3	jumlad
4	sequence	4	xigxiga
5	setting	5	goob
6	show	6	tus
7	significance	7	muhimad
8	soliloquy	8	kali hadal
9	solution	9	xal
10	sonnet	10	tix afar-iyo-tobanley
11	source	11	xigasho
12	stanza	12	tuduc gabay
13	statement	13	hadal
14	story	14	sheeko
15	summary	15	koobitaan
16	support	16	taageero

### T

1	technology	1	farsamo
2	tell	2	sheeg
3	text	3	qoraal
4	textual evidence	4	qoraal caddeyn ah
5	then	5	ka dib
6	therefore	6	sidaa daraadeed
7	theme/central idea	7	nuxur/fikradda dhexe
8	thesaurus	8	qaamuuska isku-macnaha
9	through	9	dhex
10	title	10	cinwaan
11	tone	11	cod/siiqad
12	topic	12	mawduuc
13	traditional stories	13	sheekooyin dhaqameed

## ENGLISH

14	<b>transition</b>
15	<b>true</b>
16	<b>turn</b>

## U

1	<b>underline</b>
2	<b>understanding</b>
3	<b>unfortunately</b>
4	<b>unless</b>
5	<b>up to now</b>
6	<b>use</b>
7	<b>use evidence</b>

## W

1	<b>watch out</b>
2	<b>we</b>
3	<b>what</b>
4	<b>when</b>
5	<b>whenever</b>
6	<b>where</b>
7	<b>whereas</b>
8	<b>whereby</b>
9	<b>wherein</b>
10	<b>which</b>
11	<b>who</b>
12	<b>who is speaking</b>
13	<b>why</b>
14	<b>wide open</b>
15	<b>with</b>
16	<b>without</b>
17	<b>word</b>

## SOMALI

14	<b>kala-wareeg</b>
15	<b>dhab</b>
16	<b>leexo</b>

1	<b>hoosta ka xariiq</b>
2	<b>fahmida</b>
3	<b>nasiib-daro</b>
4	<b>mooyaane</b>
5	<b>illaa hadda</b>
6	<b>isticmaal</b>
7	<b>isticmaal marag</b>

1	<b>iska jir</b>
2	<b>annaga</b>
3	<b>maxaa</b>
4	<b>goorma</b>
5	<b>goor kasta</b>
6	<b>halkee</b>
7	<b>laakiin</b>
8	<b>iyada oo la raacayo</b>
9	<b>sidee</b>
10	<b>kee</b>
11	<b>kuma</b>
12	<b>kuma ayaa hadlaya</b>
13	<b>maxaa</b>
14	<b>si weyn u furan</b>
15	<b>ku/la</b>
16	<b>la'/la'aan</b>
17	<b>erey</b>