2nd Grade ELA Essential Standards	
2.RI.2	Identify and explain the main topic of a multi-paragraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text.
2.RI.6	Identify the main purpose of a text, including what the author wants to answer, explain or describe.
2.RI.8	Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text.
2.RI.9	Compare and contrast the most important points presented by two texts on the same topic.
2.RF.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
2.RL.1 & 2.RI.1	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.
2.W.2	Write informative/explanatory texts in which they introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.
2.W.3	Write narratives in which they recount a well-elaborated event or short sequence of events; include details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings; use temporal words to signal event order and provide a sense of closure.
2.W.5	With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on a topic and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing.