



Differentiate By Assessed TEKS Teacher-led Accessibility Tools

Mirrors STAAR® Format

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# A LETTER FROM OUR CEO



At ECS Learning Systems, we are committed to empowering educators and equipping students with the tools they need to succeed. This year, we're focused on two critical areas that are shaping the future of education: addressing test anxiety and striking the right balance between digital- and print-based learning.

First, we recognize the increasing challenges students face with test anxiety. Research shows that managing anxiety effectively can significantly improve performance

and foster a deeper understanding of the material. STAAR MASTER® Interactive integrates strategies to help students build confidence and approach tests with a calmer mindset, ensuring that assessments become opportunities for growth, not barriers.

Second, in an ever-evolving digital world, we firmly believe that print work texts

remain a vital part of learning. While digital tools provide innovative ways to engage students, print offers a tangible and reliable foundation for study. Together, they create a complementary learning experience that maximizes student success.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your journey in shaping young minds. Your dedication inspires us, and we look forward to supporting

# WHAT'S NEW!

- STAAR MASTER® Interactive platform enhancements. p. 6
- Professional learning course gets you started with interactive. p. 17

you in the classroom with resources that blend tradition with innovation. Let's make this academic year one of growth, confidence, and achievement.

Mary Jo Eldridge, CEO
ECS Learning Systems
The Makers of STAAR MASTER®

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# STAAR MASTER® OVERVIEW

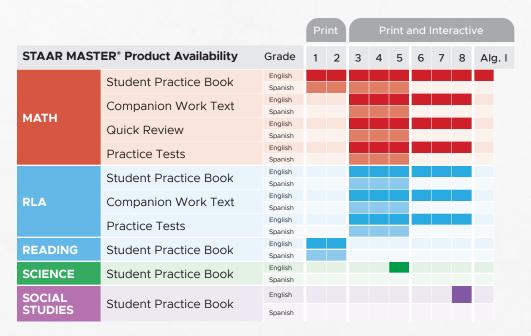
# A complete supplemental tool for instruction and practice

The STAAR MASTER® product line is a combination of our interactive platform and our print work texts. STAAR MASTER® products offer effective, relevant, and varied instructional methods that allow students to learn content and skills in many ways. The components of the STAAR MASTER® product line work together to provide Integrated Standards Preparation™ by focusing on the six stages of learning: Diagnose, Teach, Practice, Evaluate, Remediate, and Reinforce.

When you use our products together, we call this the STAAR MASTER® System. And when your students use the STAAR MASTER® System, they are able to interact with items and activities that encourage them to question, analyze, think about, and talk about their learning. These moments help students develop a range of thinking and communication skills necessary for engagement and growth.



STAAR MASTER® Student Practice Books meet the criteria for ESSA Tier 2 moderate evidence for both Math and Reading (RLA) in Grades 3 through 8. This determination is based on the use of a well-designed, quasi-experimental study design that meets What Works Clearinghouse (WWC) standards with reservations, had adequate sample size from multiple sites, and found statistically significant positive effect without countervailing evidence from other casual studies.



All items and activities in STAAR MASTER® materials are **100% aligned to the assessed TEKS**. For interactive versions, see pages 6–10.

# Differentiation made easy so students can master the TEKS

The STAAR MASTER® System shows you how to incorporate each STAAR MASTER® product into your classroom instruction in a systematic way throughout the year to help you personalize learning so that students can master the TEKS.

STAAR MASTER® System materials—

- Are 100% standards-aligned to the eligible TEKS;
- Contain effective, relevant, and varied instructional methods;
- Allow students to learn content and skills in many different ways;
- Use repeated targeted practice to uncover areas of strength and weakness;
- Help teachers identify and address strengths and weaknesses to differentiate instruction.

A convenient and organized solution to address varying needs in the classroom, the STAAR MASTER® System begins with our two most popular products—the Student Practice Book and the Companion Work Text—that engage, motivate, and challenge students to focus on maximizing student growth.

The Student Practice Book reflects the function and organization of the STAAR® to provide authentic practice on the most important skills and uncover the student data needed to identify and target learning gaps. To support these targeted areas, the Companion Work Text remediates gaps through scaffolding, increasing

# **TEACHER GUIDES**

**Purpose:** Provide a comprehensive resource of critical information and strategies for instruction

- Overview of student work text
- Master skills list
- Strategies for instruction and test prep
- Complete answer key
- Correlation charts (as appropriate)
- Reference guides

# **IMPLEMENTATION GUIDES**

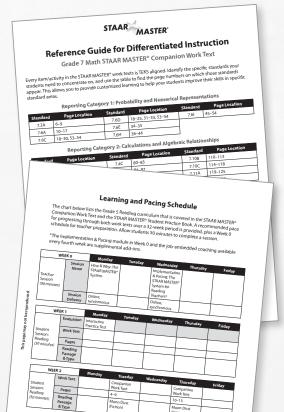
**Purpose:** Outline best practices for using Student Practice Book and Companion Work Text together

- Pacing schedules and content maps
- Plans for differentiated learning
- Daily lesson plans and planning forms
- Correlation charts (RLA)
- Activities overviews
- List of eligible TEKS

the exposure to concepts to deepen understanding.

To target learning further, the STAAR MASTER® System includes Quick Reviews for Math, in which students can self-pace through the material a little bit each day and Practice Tests, which mirror the STAAR® experience.

	Student Practice Books	Companion Work Texts	Quick Review	Practice Tests
Format	Print and Interactive	Print and Interactive	Print and Interactive	Print and Interactive
Item Types	Multiple choice and STAAR* 2.0 item types	Open-ended	Multiple choice	Multiple choice and STAAR* 2.0 item types
Subjects	RLA, Math, Science, Social Studies	RLA, Math	Math	RLA, Math
Purpose	Repeated and targeted practice	Supplemental instruction	Remediation	Real-time evaluation
Benefits	Familiarize students with STAAR* item types and format	Build foundational knowledge	Supports multiple uses: classroom, at home, tutoring, etc.	Build test-taking confidence and reduce test anxiety
More Info	Large volume of items  Variety of contexts  Organized by Reporting Category and standard (RLA is passage-based)	Can be self- directed Organized into lessons Addresses use of manipulatives and tools (Math)	Daily and weekly exercises  User-friendly layout  Daily Lesson Plan provided  Organized by Reporting Category	Has two forms (Forms A and B) Reflects structure and content of the STAAR* blueprints Interactive offers same features as the online STAAR*



# **REQUEST A QUOTE**

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Ancillary components of the STAAR MASTER® System include Teacher Guides that provide instructional strategies and charts that map out the standards in each work text, and Implementation Guides that include pacing schedules and lesson planning for using the products together.

The STAAR MASTER® System meets students where they are and helps them work toward standards mastery.

# Product suite comes together in powerful online delivery platform

The STAAR MASTER® System is now available in an all-digital format. Our rigorous content combined with the automation, interactivity, and reporting embedded within the digital platform ensures teachers have the tools they need to help students succeed.

- Interactive activities and questions that mimic the functionality of STAAR® 2.0
- Autoscoring; model answers and rubrics for constructed response items
- Comprehensive reporting/analytics
- Ability to create custom modules to assign to the whole class or individual students
- Metacognitive student selfassessments after learning skills

# WHY METACOGNITION MATTERS

# For Students

- Improves self-assurance as they improve at recognizing what they already know
- Brings to attention the areas in which they do not have full understanding, even when they think they do

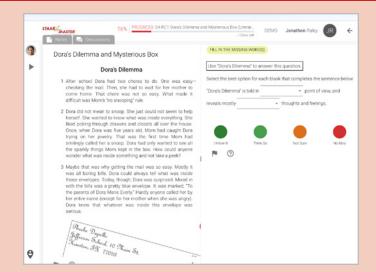
# For Teachers

- Provides guidance on the strategies employed to reach different students
- Gains insight into students' selfawareness—the discrepancy between what they think they know and what they actually know
- Tracks students' growth as they progress from "unconscious need for improvement" to "unconscious competence"

# WHAT'S NEW

# SIDE-BY-SIDE DISPLAY

- The layout of the RLA product series has been reformatted so that the passage and items are displayed side-by-side.
- Students will first see
   the passage by itself
   to read, then they will
   click NEXT for the
   first item to appear
   next to the passage.



# **COACH CONTROLS**

Text-to-speech
 Coach will be off by
 default. Teachers are
 able to control Coach
 at the assignment
 level.

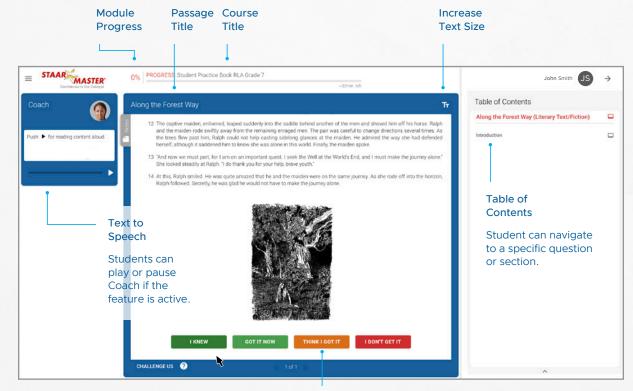
# **REFERENCE GUIDES**

 The Teacher Guide resource is updated with digital TEKS location references.









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### Metacognitive Self-assessment

After interacting with a learning resource or responding to questions, the student is asked to reflect and report on their confidence level. To mimic the actual STAAR® experience, this feature is not available for Practice Tests.

### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Free live implementation training is included with all interactive purchases.
- Additional ongoing support is available through our "Two Minutes with Mickey" video series on YouTube.

# **IT SPECS & CAPABILITIES**

- Syncs class rosters with seamless integration to Clever and ClassLink
- Offers secure login through one-click, with Single Sign-On (SSO) capabilities
- Allows users to use their school credentials to log onto any device

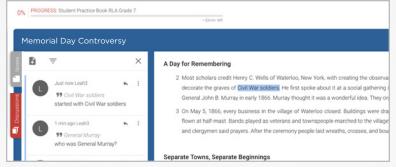
# STAAR MASTER® INTERACTIVE CONTINUED

# **PERFORMANCE REPORTING**



Monitor progress during the program with teacher-facing reports and analytics. These reports help teachers use data to identify and monitor gaps by standard as students work through the material.

# **NOTE-TAKING**



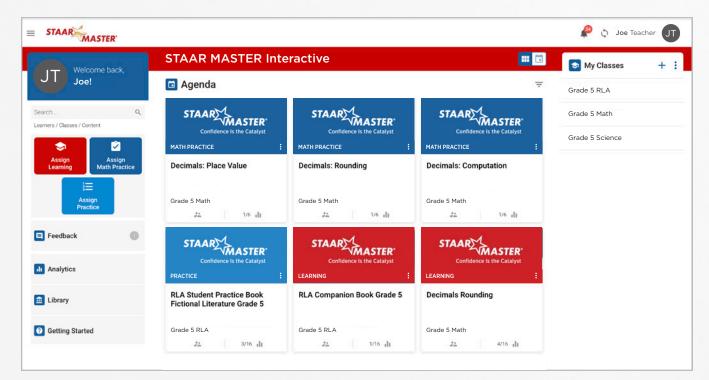
Students
can easily
select text to
save a note.
This feature
mimics
the actual
STAAR®
experience.

# **HIGHLIGHTING**



Students can select text to add a highlight or save a note.

# **CREATING CUSTOM MODULES FROM EDUCATOR DASHBOARD**



To create a custom module from the Educator Dashboard, click on Assign Practice or Assign Assessment. Then choose the class, the students you want to assign the work to (whole class or selected students), and the material, down to the specific standards. Assignments will automatically show up on the Student Dashboard.

# **PRODUCT FEATURES BY FORMAT**

	Print	Interactive
STAAR* 2.0 Item Types		
Aligned to Assessed TEKS		
Items Follow STAAR® Format and Rigor		
Content Created by Texas Experts		
Includes Teacher Guide		
Supports Personalized Learning		
Builds Test-taking Confidence		
Metacognitive Assessment		
Autoscoring		
Student Reports		
Class Reports		
Text to Speech		
Ability to Build Custom Modules		•
Accessibility Tools		
Note-taking	•	
Training Available		

# INTERACTIVE PRACTICE TESTS

# Authentic STAAR® practice includes all new item types

# STAAR MASTER® Interactive Practice

Tests familiarize students with the new STAAR® format to reduce test anxiety. Each Practice Test reflects the test structure and content outlined in the corresponding STAAR® blueprint to provide the most authentic practice possible. Practice Tests also facilitate learning and provide teachers with valuable data to identify learning gaps and support differentiated instruction.

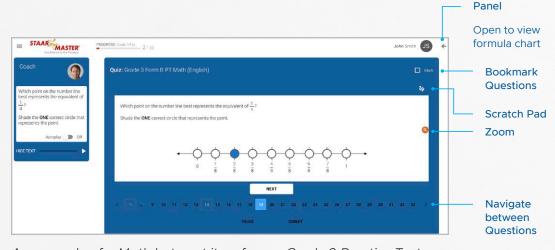
- Available for Math & RLA Grades 3-8 English and Grades 3-5 Spanish
- Students can "interact" with the new item types embedded in the test

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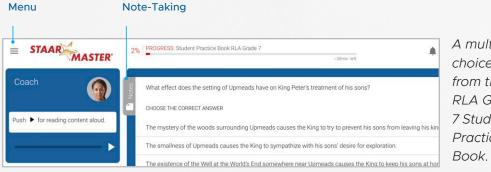
 Non-student constructed responses automatically graded for teachers

# **PLATFORM FEATURES**

- Text to Speech
- Text Magnifier
- Highlighter (RLA passages only)
- Student Notes
- Bookmark and Review Questions
- Accessibility Tools



An example of a Math hot spot item from a Grade 3 Practice Test.



A multiplechoice item from the RLA Grade 7 Student **Practice** 

# STAAR MASTER® FASTER

# An accelerated learning program for STAAR® prep

STAAR MASTER® FASTER is an accelerated learning program that leverages STAAR MASTER® Student Practice Books and Companion Work Texts (print) to implement targeted, differentiated support to close student learning gaps in RLA and Math. The targeted intervention and quick pace are ideal for STAAR® prep, summer remediation, tutoring, and accelerated learning (HB1416). To further support teachers in providing authentic remediation, the tools in this intervention plan focus on the skills that will help their students master the material at their current grade level and equip them with the foundational knowledge needed to meet the rigor of highly tested grade-level TEKS. The program supports both teacher-facilitated intervention and self-paced learning.



# **IDEAL USES**

STAAR
MASTER®
FASTER is an accelerated learning
program for:

- STAAR® prep
- Summer Remediation
- Accelerated Learning (HB1416)

Targeted intervention and a quick pace close learning gaps for the eligible TEKS. The program leverages our:

- Student Practice Books
- Companion Work Texts
- Accelerated Learning Guide



**FLEXIBLE APPLICATION:** Supports student-led sessions, tutoring, and small groups

**25-DAY SCHEDULE:** Targeted & differentiated to use time efficiently

**PURPOSEFUL DESIGN:** Incorporates best practices for modern class dynamics

# **COMPREHENSIVE TOOLKIT:**

Embedded resources allow for easy implementation

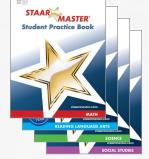
PRICING \$100 per copy • STAAR MASTER® FASTER is available now!

# STUDENT PRACTICE BOOKS

# Repeated practice with all the STAAR® 2.0 item types

# **PURPOSE**

The STAAR MASTER® Student Practice Books are designed to provide high-quality targeted practice for the STAAR® in order to improve students' knowledge and build test-taking confidence.





# **DESCRIPTION**

STAAR MASTER® Student Practice Books contain a large volume of items to provide students with repeated practice in a variety of contexts. The items are 100% aligned to the assessed TEKS and address all STAAR®-eligible standards. Each item is labeled for easy identification of the TEKS-based standard and expectation addressed.

# PRODUCT FORMATS

STAAR MASTER® is available in both interactive and print formats.

All STAAR® 2.0 item types are reflected in print and interactive formats to align with test blueprints and requirements.



# **COMPANION WORK TEXTS**

# Supplement instruction and build foundational knowledge

# **PURPOSE**

The primary goal of these STAAR MASTER® work texts is to supplement and support instruction to build foundational knowledge and move students toward self-directed learning and problem-solving. For math, students also learn the appropriate use of manipulatives, tools, and technology.

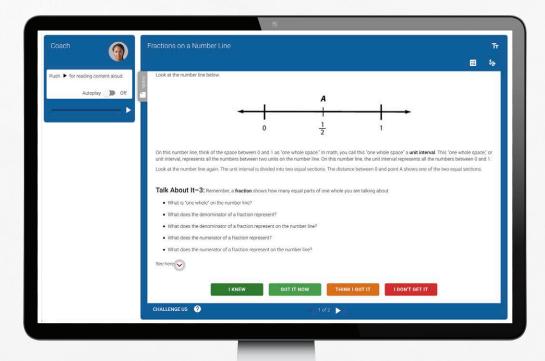
**DESCRIPTION** 

Reading Language Arts (RLA): STAAR MASTER® Companion Work Texts for RLA are organized into lessons, which include activities to use before, during, and after each unit. These work texts

include open-ended and extendedresponse tasks that require students to use critical reading skills to develop correct, complete answers. All items and activities are 100% aligned to the assessed TEKS.

Math: STAAR MASTER® Companion Work Texts for Math are like abridged textbooks. They help students learn concepts more quickly than traditional textbooks, or they can be used to provide additional explanations of concepts. Activities follow a logical sequence of standards, organized by Reporting Category. All items and activities are 100% aligned to the assessed TEKS.

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# **QUICK REVIEW** FOR MATH

# Versatile work texts have built-in 12-week pacing guides

# **PURPOSE**

The STAAR MASTER® Quick Reviews for English and Spanish were designed to support multiple uses, including in the classroom, at home, and in tutorials/remedial classes/summer school. The work texts provide daily and weekly exercises organized by Reporting Category.

# **DESCRIPTION**

STAAR MASTER® Quick Reviews for Math use a practical, user-friendly layout designed to streamline use in a classroom, home, or tutorial setting. The work text is organized by Reporting Category, each divided into three weeks of five days. A Daily



Lesson Plan and Correlation Chart are provided in the accompanying Teacher Guide.



# PRACTICE TESTS

# Tests mirror STAAR® to create authentic test experience

### **PURPOSE**

Teachers can use STAAR MASTER® Practice Tests to diagnose students' strengths and weaknesses in order to target instruction. Practice Tests also familiarize students with the STAAR® format to reduce test anxiety.

# **DESCRIPTION**

STAAR MASTER® Practice Tests cover STAAR®-eligible standards between Form A and Form B. Each Practice Test reflects the test structure and content outlined in the corresponding STAAR® blueprint to provide the most authentic practice possible.

# INTERACTIVE PRACTICE TESTS

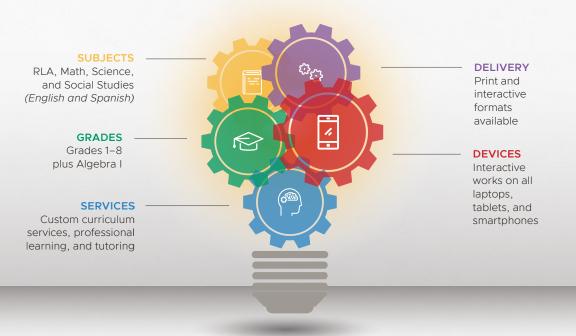
All STAAR MASTER® Practice Tests are available as digital interactives.

- Teachers assign Practice Test Form A or Form B to a student.
- Students submit answers and receive an instant score. (Student constructed response items will need to be reviewed by the teacher.)
- Interactive Practice Tests include the STAAR® 2.0 item types.

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# SPANISH VERSIONS

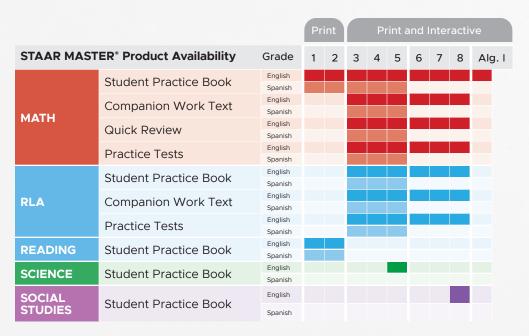
# Direct translations support Spanish-speaking students

STAAR MASTER® offers direct Spanish translations of our English products. This allows students in classrooms that offer dual language programs to stay current. Spanish-speaking educators provide specialized translations using their classroom experience and incorporating terminology used by TEA. STAAR MASTER® products are available in Spanish for RLA, math, and science. The Teacher Guides contain the respective TEKS in Spanish, Spanish vocabulary suggestions, and an answer key in Spanish.



# **SAMPLE PAGES**

Download sample pages from the STAAR MASTER® print work texts at staarmaster.com/samples.



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# PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

# Hit the ground running with STAAR MASTER® Interactive

Our professional learning is engaging, focused, and delivered virtually by a Texas educator that respects your time and understands the challenge of addressing curriculum standards while meeting diverse learning needs. Choose one or two 1.5-hour sessions for an experience that helps you hit the ground running with STAAR MASTER®.

# **PLAN LIKE A PRO!** AT A GLANCE

- Master your lesson planning using backward design, enhancing collaboration and streamlining the instructional design process.
- Gain experience with the STAAR
   MASTER® Interactive Dashboard,
   learning to create assignments that
   support student achievement.
- Engage in activities to develop comprehensive unit plans, identify desired results, and plan differentiated learning experiences.
- Create ready-to-use unit plans and assessments during sessions, applying new skills for immediate classroom implementation.

# **CONTINUOUS EDUCATION**

ECS Learning Systems is a TEAapproved provider of Continuous

Professional Education hours. Teachers completing STAAR MASTER® professional



# **PLAN LIKE A PRO!**

Streamline Your Process with Backward Design and STAAR MASTER® Interactive

This interactive and collaborative course expands prior knowledge in the planning process, boosts student achievement, and energizes team planning. Through inquiry and hands-on activities, explore how to integrate backward design planning with STAAR MASTER® Interactive.

learning sessions earn credit toward certification renewals.

# JOB-EMBEDDED COACHING

- 1:1, up to 4 teachers per campus
- Monthly or bi-monthly, grounded in day-to-day teaching practice
- Enhance teachers' content-specific instructional practices



# HIGH-IMPACT TUTORING

# Research-based program ensures accelerated learning

Many educators in Texas lack the time and resources to address learning loss in students and successfully achieve accelerated learning as defined by House Bill 1416.

However, high-impact tutoring leads to substantial learning goals provided that the program is purposefully designed, implemented with fidelity, managed to ensure progress, and evaluated for sustainability.



**DESIGN:** A prescriptive, research-based framework informed by the analysis of the goals and needs of the district or campus.

MANAGEMENT: A purposeful focus on adherence to implementation via crucial monitoring, measuring, and collaborating.

IMPLEMENTATION: Executing program design to ensure intended



results are sustained by being proactive and transparent.

**EVALUATION:** Utilizing multiple data points to determine the success of the program as well as future improvements or enhancements.

Each component has multiple features. Districts can purchase the whole suite or one or more components with one or more features. Email SMCatalog@ecslearn.com for a consultation.

# **QUALITY RECOGNIZED**

As Texas Tutor Corps providers vetted by TEA, ECS's program design ensures that every aspect of its high-impact tutoring program helps students achieve the results needed to accelerate student learning and create confidence in all stakeholders.



# **OUR PARTNERSHIP COMMITMENT**

ECS program managers ensure program compliance for schools and districts, designing a high-impact tutoring program that is uniquely suited to the needs of learners.

# **CUSTOM CURRICULUM SERVICES**



# Ready to elevate your instructional materials?

**WHAT WE DO:** Our experts partner with your team on idea generation through final delivery on any curriculum project.

**YOUR NEEDS:** When state agencies, school districts, or curriculum vendors need quality content, they don't always know how to get there. We can help!

# **Review and Alignment**

Employ thorough rubric to evaluate quality, alignment, and accessibility.

# **Implementation Support**

Develop best practices to emphasize communication and process improvement.

# **Al Content Creation**

Curate engaging and impactful content aligned with instructional goals and TEKS.

# **Assessment**

**Development** Design high-quality assessments and train teams in item writing.

# **Rubric Development**

Design content-area and review rubrics and material evaluation guidelines.

# **Content Collaboration**

Leverage our pedagogical content knowledge to connect teaching to learners.

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