Figure 3.4: Unpacked Standard Template

Grade and Subject or Course	Time When Teachers Expect Proficiency	
Priority Standard		
Prior-Year Standard Connection	Next-Year Standard Connection	
Content (Nouns) What Students Need to Know	Skills (Verbs With Nouns) What Students Need to Be Able to Do	
Academic Language		

	Learning Ladder	Scaffolding Strategies
Extensions		
Grade-Level Standard		
Most Complex		
Least Complex		
Prior Knowledge Standards		
Grade-Level Student Learning Targets for Assessment and Reflection (Bundled Targets)		
Exemplars at Grade Level		

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