

## Discussion Questions for “The Structure is the Standards”

1. According to the essay, is it better to look at the details of the Standards or try to grasp it as a whole?
2. Suppose you had an app for your phone that put the CCSS in the palm of your hand. The app is set up to show all the individual content standards, but does not show the standards under their cluster headings. What would the authors think of this app?
3. Some publishers have issued alignment statements saying that they are well aligned to CCSSM because they embody the practice standards and that the details of the content standards aren't that important. Using the essay for support, how would you argue this point?
4. Other publishers have issued alignment statements saying that they are well aligned to CCSSM because they have done a crosswalk of each topic, and have created a lesson for each standard. In what ways would the authors disagree with this approach?