Reading Curriculum



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GRADE: K

GOALS: Students will...

1. Demonstrate phonemic awareness for all 26 letters of the alphabet.

- 2. Practice the letter-sound correspondences to blend sounds to decode words in text that matches the progression of these skills.
- 3. Comprehend text by understanding key details about the characters, setting, and events in a story.
- 4. Making inferences, giving and supporting opinions, and making connections to their own experiences from texts.
- 5. Recognize specific words that are important to understanding approaching, on-level, and challenging decodable texts.
- 6. Categorize words and learn about synonyms, antonyms, and multiple meaning words.
- 7. Practice fluency skills using approaching, on-level, and challenging decodable texts.
- 8. Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each.
- 9. Explore a variety of genres of literature including picture books, nursery rhymes, poetry, reality and fantasy.
- 10. Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.
- 11. Describe familiar people, places, things, and events with prompting and support.
- 12. Listen and respond to oral presentations and discussions.

- 1. Phonemic Awareness
- 2. Phonics
- 3. Comprehension
- 4. Vocabulary
- 5. Language
- 6. Fluency
- 7. Listening
- 8. Speaking
- 9. Literary Text

GRADE: 1

Students will...

- 1. Demonstrate understanding of long and short vowel sounds in reading and written work.
- 2. Demonstrate understanding of consonant digraphs and applying to reading and written work.
- 3. Analyze differences between fictional stories and informational text.
- 4. Demonstrate fluency using decodable text and developing word recognition and decoding skills.
- 5. Determine the meaning of unknown words using context clues or structural analysis.
- 6. Examine text to understand key details and story elements using text as well as inference.
- 7. Recognize comprehension strategies to make connections in the text.

- 1. Common Digraphs, Final e and Vowel Teams, r-Controlled Vowels, Variant Vowels
- 2. Main Idea, Details, Retelling Using Pictures and Text Features
- 3. Fluency Skills are Reading with Expression, Observing Punctuation
- 4. Use In-Text Clues, Analyze Word Parts, Use a Dictionary
- 5. Retell, Sequencing, Recognizing Plot
- 6. Give and Support Opinions, Summarizing, Cause/Effect

GRADE: 2

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Distinguish and apply all vowel sounds and consonant patterns in reading and written work.
- 2. Apply fluency skills using both decodable stories and texts with unfamiliar vocabulary.
- 3. Compare and contrast information in a story.
- 4. Summarize key information in non-fictional stories.
- 5. Examine and comprehend the written word through different points of view.
- 6. Apply word-learning strategies when defining vocabulary.
- 7. Refer to story graphics in reading: illustrations, maps, photos.

- 1. Vowel Sounds (Short and Long Patterns)
- 2. Consonant Patterns (Digraphs, Dip-thongs, r-Controlled Vowels)
- 3. Compound Words, Prefixes, Suffixes, Contractions
- 4. Fluency Skills-Read with Expression, Read at Appropriate Rate
- 5. Read Various Genres of Books; Realistic Chapter Books, Historical Fiction, Folk Tales, Fantasies, Mysteries, Poetry
- 6. Cause/Effect, Summarize, Generic Questions in Text, Sequence of Events
- 7. Synonyms, Antonyms, Homonyms
- 8. Similes, Idioms, Onomatopoeia
- 9. Making Inferences about Characters and Plot with Context Clues

GRADE: 3

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in text.
- 2. Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of the story.
- 3. Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
- 4. Predict the outcome of a story based on what is known.
- 5. Recount stories and determine the central message, lesson, or moral from the story.
- 6. Describe character's traits, motivations, or feelings in a story.
- 7. Identifying main ideas and supporting details.
- 8. Increase exposure to multiple genres.
- 9. Build upon the use of text features.

- 1. Vocabulary
- 2. Point of View
- 3. Compare and Contrast
- 4. Themes, Settings, and Plots
- 5. Chapter and Scene
- 6. Predicting Outcome
- 7. Comprehension with Literature
- 8. Character Traits, Motivations, and Feelings
- 9. Genres
- 10. Plot of a Story
- 11. Charts, Graphs, Illustrations, and Captions

GRADE: 4

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Justify inferences based on details and examples from text.
- 2.Identify the meaning of vocabulary words using context clues.
- 3. Read with fluency and accuracy to support comprehension.
- 4. Assess a story's characters, setting, plot, point of view and theme.
- 5. Use text features such as charts, graphs, diagrams, and timelines to make relevant text connections.
- 6. Explain how an author uses evidence to support particular points in a text.
- 7. Apply strategies to comprehend literature from a wide range of genres and Informational text.

- 1. Sequence of Events
- 2. Summarize
- 3. Make Connections to Self, other Texts, and World
- 4. Compare and Contrast
- 5. Cite Text Evidence
- 6. Determine Cause and Effect
- 7. Identify Main Ideas and Supporting Details
- 8. Use Context Clues
- 9. Predict Outcomes
- 10. Draw Conclusions
- 11. Identify Point of View and Author's Purpose
- 12. Differentiate Facts and Opinions

GRADE: 5

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Read closely to determine and justify inferences made from text by citing evidence.
- 2. Identify and interpret text vocabulary using decoding skills and context clues.
- 3. Read with fluency, accuracy, and expression to support comprehension.
- 4. Determine and summarize story elements (setting, character, plot) as they develop in a work of fiction.
- 5. Determine and explain the central theme in a work of fiction being able to cite specific evidence from character actions and dialogue for support.
- 6. Determine and summarize the main idea and supporting details in expository texts.
- 7. Use text features to gather information and evaluate nonfiction texts.
- 8. Read, analyze, and differentiate among a variety of texts and literary genres using characteristics to identify each.
- 9. Assess how the author's purpose and point of view shapes the content, bias, and style of a text.

- 1. Fictional Genres: Historical, Realistic, Traditional Tales, Novel, Poetry, Drama
- 2. Nonfictional Genres: Personal Narrative, Expository, Biography
- 3. Summarize Fiction and Nonfiction
- 4. Compare and Contrast Texts and Story Elements
- 5. Make Connections to Text, World, Media, and Self
- 6. Determine Cause and Effect
- 7. Cite Text Evidence
- 8. Use Context Clues and Decoding Skills
- 9. Identify Main Idea and Supporting Details
- 10. Predict Outcomes
- 11. Draw Conclusions
- 12. Differentiate Fact from Opinion
- 13. Recognize and Explain Figurative Language
- 14. Identify Author's Purpose and Point of View
- 15. Sequence Events
- 16. Text Features: Maps, Charts, Illustrations, Photographs and Captions)

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GRADE: 6

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Be able to define, identify, and apply literary terms such as characterization, conflict, theme, setting, and plot in fiction and nonfiction.
- 2. Read and differentiate between different types of fiction, plays, and poems.
- 3. Complete sustained independent reading throughout the course of the year, as well as projects that reflect understanding of these books.
- 4. Summarize, predict, connect ideas, and question the text for a variety of different stories.
- 5. Identify the main idea of a piece of writing and support it with text examples.
- 6. Understand and apply poetic terms including simile, metaphor, personification, symbolism, and onomatopoeia.

- 1. Fiction and Nonfiction Texts
- 2. Poetry and Anthology
- 3. Oral Tradition Stories- Fables, Myths, and Folktales
- 4. Independent Reading Books

GRADE: 7

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Apply elements of literature to deepen understanding of the texts.
- 2. Employ techniques of a quality reader to fully engage with texts such as fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and drama.
- 3. Identify and use literary techniques such as foreshadowing, alliteration, rhyme, repetition, symbolism, metaphors, and similes.
- 4. Communicate elements of literature effectively through discussions, dialogue, and presentations.
- 5. Cite textual evidence to support main ideas.
- 6. Engage in independent reading and produce projects that reflect comprehension of literature.
- 7. Introduce students to annotating and analyzing a novel.

- 1. Fiction and Nonfiction Short Stories
- 2. Poetry/Drama
- 3. Oral-Tradition Stories (Myths, Fables, Legends, and Folktales)
- 4. Independent Reading Books
- 5. One Novel

GRADE: 8

GOALS: Students will...

- 1. Compare and contrast the elements of literature within various forms of texts and media.
- 2. Use context clues to make inferences about setting, plot, character, and theme.
- 3. Identify and synthesize a theme's development throughout a story.
- 4. Demonstrate the use of textual evidence to answer questions and support claims.
- 5. Apply critical thinking skills while reading complex texts.
- 6. Paraphrase fiction, nonfiction, poetry and drama.
- 7. Annotate and analyze a novel.
- 8. Engage in independent reading and projects that foster creativity and making real world connections.

- 1. Two Novels
- 2. Poetry/Drama
- 3. Selected Short Stories (Fiction/Nonfiction)
- 4. News Articles
- 5. Independent Reading Books