Kindergarten Language Arts Curriculum Overview

Reading: Literature

Key Ideas and Details

- Ask and answer questions about important details in a text.
- Retell familiar stories using details.
- Ask and answer questions about characters, settings and important events in a story.

Craft and Structure

- Use context to determine word meaning in a text.
- Recognize common types of text.
- Know the difference between the author and illustrator of a book and their roles.

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

- Describe the connection between illustrations and the story in a book.
- Use illustrations and context to make predictions.
- Connect information in text to life experiences.
- Use prior knowledge to anticipate meaning and to make sense of text.

Reading: Informational Text

Key Ideas and Details

- Ask and answer questions about important details in a text.
- Describe the similarities and differences between two pieces of information in a text.

Craft and Structure

- Use context to determine word meaning in a text.
- Identify the front cover, back cover and title page of a book.
- Know the difference between the author and illustrator of a text and their roles.

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

- Describe the connection between illustrations and text.
- Identify similarities and differences between two texts of similar subject matter.
- Use illustrations and context to make predictions.
- Connect information in a text to life experiences.
- Use prior knowledge to anticipate meaning and make sense of text.

Reading: Foundational Skills – Print Concepts

- Understand that printed materials provide information.
- Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.
- Distinguish letters from words.
- Know that spoken words can be written with specific letters in a specific order.
- Recognize that sentences are made up of separate words.
- Understand that words in print are separated by spaces.
- Recognize and name all upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet.

• Identify and sort common words into basic categories.

Phonological Awareness

- Understand spoken words, syllables and 60 sounds (phonemes).
- Recognize and produce rhyming words.
- Demonstrate ability to count, pronounce, blend and segment syllables in spoken words.
- Use single-syllable words to blend and segment onsets and rimes.
- Isolate and pronounce beginning, middle and final sounds in three-phoneme words.
- Change individual sounds in simple, one-syllable words to make new words (word families).

Phonics and Word Recognition

- Read simple one-syllable and high-frequency words.
- Use kindergarten level phonics and analysis to decode words.
- Produce the primary sound of many of the most common sounds for all consonants.
- Demonstrate knowledge of long and short sounds of the five major vowels.
- Recognize the difference between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.

Fluency

• Demonstrate the ability to read emergent-reader texts with understanding.

Writing

Craft and Structure

- Write upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet.
- Record independently the letter names and sounds of the alphabet.
- Use phonetic knowledge when writing words.
- Write by moving from left to right, and from top to bottom.
- Use letters and phonetically spelled words to write about experiences, stories, people, objects or events.
- Use consonant-vowel-consonant patterns to create words.

Text Types and Purposes

- Demonstrate ability to generate ideas.
- Create illustrations which represent information.
- State an opinion or preference about a text or a book of the student's own creation by using a combination of illustration, dictating or writing.
- Supply details about an informative/explanatory text of the student's own creation by using a combination of illustrating, dictating and writing.
- Narrate a single event or series of events, in order, by using a combination of illustration, dictating or writing and provide reaction to what happened.

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Research to Build and Present Knowledge

- Collaborate with helper to produce a research and writing project.
- With a helper, recall information from past experiences or acquire new information from several sources to answer questions.

Speaking and Listening

Comprehension and Collaboration

- Discuss kindergarten topics and texts with a helper.
- Demonstrate understanding of orally presented text or information by answering or asking questions.

Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

- Take turns in conversation.
- Retell an experience in logical sequence.
- Provide detailed description of familiar people, places, things and events.
- Include illustrations to descriptions in order to provide detail.
- Share information and ideas by speaking audibly in complete, coherent sentences.

Language

Conventions of Standard English

- Demonstrate correct usage of English grammar.
- Write upper and lower case letters of the alphabet.
- Correctly use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.
- Orally add /s/ or /es/ to form regular plural nouns.
- Correctly use and understand interrogatives (who, what, where, etc.)
- Correctly use the most commonly occurring prepositions.
- Use complete sentences and show ability to expand them.
- Recognize and name periods, question marks and exclamation points.
- Write a letter or letters for corresponding consonant and short-vowel sounds.
- Phonetically spell words using knowledge of soundletter relationships.

Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

- Use context to determine the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words.
- Determine specific characteristics by analyzing and classifying objects.
- Understand frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by using the relationship of their opposites (antonyms).
- Use acquired words and phrases as a result of conversations and being read to.

Lesson #13 (continued)



Helper reads: Buddy loves to write stories. When Buddy writes he knows that each sentence must have at least one **noun**. A **noun** is a person, place or thing. The word <u>ball</u> is a **noun**.

Color the pictures of the **nouns** below.



Listen to the following sentences. Complete each sentence by adding a **<u>noun</u>**.

1. Rusty loves to play with his toy ______.

- 2. Frankie goes to the ______ with his friends.
- 3. _____ is my favorite food.
- 4. Alec and ______ went to their grandmother's house to play.



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Lesson #14 (continued)



Helper reads: We're going to have a listening activity. You will be making new words. Listen carefully as L read the directions and words below.

Helper reads: Add a beginning "s" sound to each word as I say it. For example after I say the word "top," you would say "stop." Now try the following words:

tar pill kate mile car Helper reads: Change the ending sound of each word below to the "**p**" sound. For example after I say the word "ca<u>t</u>," you would say "ca<u>p</u>." Now try the following words:

clam	slid	cut	mad	soak
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Helper reads: Take away the beginning sound of each word that I say. For example after I say the word "b**ring**," you would say "**ring**." Try the following words:

ball	fair	send	fin	ran

Helper reads: Add an ending "**f**" sound to the following words. For example after I say the word "**pan**," you would say "pan<u>t</u>." Now try the following words:

an	ten	star	tin	ca
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Lesson #25 (continued)



Helper reads: Did you know that you can change a word just by changing its vowel?

Fill in the missing vowel in each of the words below.



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Lesson #29 (continued)



Helper reads: Look at each row. Cross out the picture that does not belong with the other three.



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Answer Key

Lesson 2: page 5 - Bernadette, bed, book, butterfly, ball, buttons, brush, book bag, bat	Lesson 12: page 47 kangaroo, key, king, kitchen, kitten		
Page 6- fan, man, pan, can	Lesson 13: page 50 Begin with LI: lamb, ladder, leaf, leg, lips End with LI: ball, pail, heel, bell		
Lesson 4: page 16 cage, crown, cat, candle, cake, cup, cook			
clover, cow, crocodíle	Lesson 14: page 52 Circle muddy footprints, milk, mustard		
Lesson 5: page 19 door, duck, doll	Lesson 15: page 55 Begin with Nn: needle, nurse, neck, nickel, necklace, nests End with Nn: sun, can		
Lesson 6: page 23 elevator, envelope, elbow, elf			
Lesson 7: page 26 - today! backyard. hook? page 27 - Bird building nest Bird sitting on eggs Baby birds hatching Bird flying to nest with worms Bird feeds worm to babies Bird watches babies fly out of nest	Lesson 16: page 58 - clock, sock, blocks, mop page 60 - frog = 1 toothbrush = 2 grapes = 1 car = 1 helicopter = 4 glasses = 2 comb = 1 window = 2 calendar = 3 dolphin = 2 Lesson 17: page 62 - pipe, pie, pan, pumpkin page 63 - b-e-d = 3 h-a-n-d = 4 f-r-o-g = 4 p-i-g = 3 l-e-g = 3		
Lesson 8: page 29 Words that begin with Gg: grapes, gum, glasses Words that end with Gg: bag, wig, flag			
Lesson 9: page 33 hammer, hand, horse, heart page 37 f= fly d= dragonfly c= caterpillar			
e= eggs a= ant g= grasshopper b= butterfly	Lesson 19: page 73 red, rake, rooster		
h= hive	Lesson 20:		
Lesson 10: page 39 in, insect, ink, iguana	page 77skates, sled, squirrel, snowmanpage 78Main characters:Setting:school		
Lesson 11: pages 42-43			
Group 1: <u>clothing</u> — sweater, skirt, pants, raincoat, dress	Problem: lost tooth		
Group 2: <u>food</u> — pretzels, cheese, sandwich, cookies, bananas			
Group 3: <u>transportation</u> — airplane, train, boat, car, motorcycle			
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