Language Arts

- Read and understand grade-level appropriate material
- Use word origins to determine the meaning of unknown
- Know abstract, derived roots and affixes from Greek and Latin and use to analyze the meaning of complex
- Comprehend the language usage of different time peri-
- Analyze text in sequential or chronological order
- Draw inferences, conclusions, or generalizations
- Distinguish facts, supported inferences, and opinions
- Read and respond to historically or culturally significant works of literature
- Write clear, coherent, and focused essays
- Write a multiple-paragraph composition
- Create simple documents by using electronic media
- Use a thesaurus
- Edit and revise manuscripts
- Write narratives
- Write responses to literature
- Write research reports
- Write persuasive letters or compositions
- Utilize learned grammar skills to formulate a research report
- Write fluidly and legibly in cursive
- Distinguish the correlation between subject and predi-
- Know the use of commas in a sentence
- Use prepositional phrases, appositives, and independent and dependent clauses; use transitions and conjunctions to connect ideas
- Identify and correctly use verbs that are often misused, modifiers, and pronouns
- Deliver focused, coherent presentations that convey ideas clearly.
- Deliver narrative presentations
- Deliver informative presentations
- Deliver oral responses to literature

- Improve sound-letter relationship, visual memory, and mean-
- Increase vocabulary by developing visual memory and meaning to words.
- Identify stress syllables by using context clues
- Use a spelling dictionary

Science

- Observe and describe matter and it properties
- Classify matter by atoms and elements
- Describe the many forms of energy and how it can be changed
- Understand that organisms are made from single cells to body
- Classify living things
- Recognize plants and their adaptations
- Describe and observe plant processes
- Describe the water cycle
- Observe the changing patterns of weather
- Predict weather and climate
- Describe the interactions between the earth and the moon
- Understand the planets of our solar system
- Demonstrate the scientific process





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What your Fifth Grader **Studies**

Academic Goals





What Students in Fifth Grade Study

Bible

- Understand the nature of God through studying the Old Testament
- Understand how God used his chosen people, the Israelites, to illustrate His love for us
- Study the lives of Saul, David, Solomon, and Ruth
- Understand the plan of salvation
- Understand how to share the plan of salvation with others

Social Studies

- Describe the major pre-Columbian settlements
- Trace the routes of the early explorers
- Describe the early explorations of the Americas
- Describe the relationship between Native Americans and settlers
- Understand the political, religious, social, and economic institutions that evolved in the colonial era
- Explain the causes of the American Revolution
- Understand the consequences of the American revolution
- Describe the development of the US Constitution and it's significance
- Trace colonization, immigration, and settlement patterns in America from 1789 to the mid-1800s
- Know the location of the 50 states and names their capitals

Spanish

- Study influence of Spanish-speaking cultures on the US
- Use proper noun/adjective agreement
- Ask questions that require descriptive answers
- Describe where an object is located

Math

- Write and interpret numerical expressions
- Analyze patterns and relationships
- Understand the place value system
- Perform operations with multi-digit whole numbers and with decimals to hundredths
- Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions
- Apply and extend previous understanding of multiplication and division to multiply and divide fractions
- Convert like measurement units within a given measurement system
- Represent and interpret data
- Geometric measurement: Understand concepts of volume and relate volume to multiplication and to addition
- Graph points on the coordinate plane to solve real -world and mathematical problems
- Classify two-dimensional figures into categories based on their properties

Library

- Know and understand different types of literature
- Demonstrate library skills
- Demonstrate the writing process at a grade appropriate level
- Monthly Book Reports covering a variety of genres
- Dewey Decimal classification

Art

- Use their senses to perceive works of art
- Identify visual structure of art
- Develop knowledge of and artistic skills in a variety of visual arts media and technical processes
- Create original artworks based on personal experiences or responses
- Explore the role of visual arts in culture and history
- Investigate major themes in historical and contem-

- porary periods and styles of the visual arts throughout the world
- Derive meaning from artworks through analysis, interpretation, and judgment

Computer

- Develop general technological awareness
- Basic keyboarding
- Paint, draw, and use graphics
- Develop word processing skills
- Understand research and use of the Internet
- Make multimedia presentations
- Learn desk top publishing
- Learn Excel

Physical Education

- Develop an enjoyment for sports and increase ability in coordination and basic skills.
- Encourage good sportsmanship
- Develop confidence in their physical abilities
- Understand and apply the rules for team and individual sports
- Understand why physical fitness is necessary for a healthy lifestyle
- Encourage students to play after school sports

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Leadership

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