



4th Grade
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FOURTH GRADE

SWEET APPLE ELEMENTARY



The top 5 BEST ways to prepare your upcoming fourth grader for success:



Reading Stamina



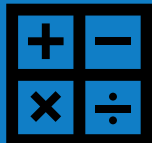
Fact Fluency through 12



Basic Writing Skills



Independent Work Habits



Productive Struggle

Reading Stamina

- READING STAMINA IS HAVING THE ENERGY AND THE CONCENTRATION TO FOCUS ON READING FOR **AT LEAST THIRTY** CONTINUOUS MINUTES A DAY.

HOW TO BUILD STAMINA IN YOUR CHILD:

- READ WITH YOUR KIDS
- READ DIFFERENT GENRES
- READ EVERY DAY
- MAKE A SPACE FOR READING
- MAKE READING FUN
- VISIT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY
- LIBRARIANS ARE RESOURCES
- ENCOURAGE WRITING ABOUT WHAT THEY READ
- DISCUSS WHAT THEY READ
- BUILD LITERACY WITH OTHER ACTIVITIES AROUND WHAT YOUR CHILD READ

Fact Fluency

- RAPID RECALL OF MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION FACTS UP TO THE 12S
 - CLICK HERE TO CHECK OUT SOME [TIPS](#)
- BEING ABLE TO MAKE TEN FLUENTLY, SUBTRACTING FLUENTLY WITH BORROWING, SUBTRACTING ACROSS ZEROS, AND BE ABLE TO ADD WITH CARRYING FLUENTLY

Basic Writing

- KNOW THE BASIC PARTS OF SPEECH
- BEGINS EACH SENTENCE WITH A CAPITAL LETTER
- ENDS EACH SENTENCE WITH CORRECT PUNCTUATION
- WRITE A STRUCTURED PARAGRAPH WITH A TOPIC SENTENCE, SUPPORTING DETAILS AND A CLOSING SENTENCE
- USE PUNCTUATION SUCH AS COMMAS, APOSTROPHES AND QUOTATION MARKS APPROPRIATELY
- UNDERSTAND SYNONYMS, ANTONYMS AND HOMOPHONES.
- IDENTIFY PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES.
- CAPITALIZES 'I' AND PROPER NOUNS WITHIN A SENTENCE
- WRITES A COMPLETE SENTENCE WITH A SUBJECT AND PREDICATE
- WRITES NEATLY AND LEGIBLY WITH PROPER SPACING BETWEEN WORDS
- PRACTICE TYPING

Productive Struggle

- AS STUDENTS WORK TOWARDS MORE INDEPENDENCE, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO LEARN TO SOLVE PROBLEMS ON THEIR OWN AS WELL AS TO SIT WITH THEIR PARENT.
- ONE WAY TO HELP WITH THIS IS TO ALLOW THEM TO SIT WITH THEIR PROBLEM BEFORE INTERVENING
- IF YOUR CHILD DOES NEED ASSISTANCE, TALKING THROUGH THE STEPS ON HOW TO ACHIEVE A SOLUTION AND ALLOWING THEM TO FOLLOW THROUGH.
- THIS CAN APPLY TO ACADEMICS AS WELL AS THINGS GENERAL PROBLEMS LIFE THROWS AT YOU.
- THIS WILL CAUSE YOUR CHILD TO STRUGGLE, BUT THIS STRUGGLE ALLOWS FOR GROWTH AND INDEPENDENCE.
- YOU MAY HAVE TO SIT ON YOUR HANDS A LITTLE TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. :)

Independent Work Habits

- **TIME MANAGEMENT** - PRACTICE WITH PLANNING THE FAMILY'S SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AND FIGURING OUT HOW TO ADD IN YOUR READING AND MATH HOMEWORK
- **RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR OWN DEVICES** - THIS SHOULD INCLUDE WORKING OUT A PLAN TO CHARGE THEIR DEVICE NIGHTLY AND REMEMBER FOR SCHOOL THE NEXT DAY.
 - **HELPFUL HINT-** SET UP DEVICE TO CHARGE IN BACKPACK OR SET ALARMS ON SMART HOME DEVICES