

An Overview of TCA 3rd Grade Curriculum

Language Arts:

- Spalding – Spelling Notebook; Phonograms; Cursive Handwriting
- Easy Grammar
- Excellence in Writing – Comprehensive system for learning writing skills
- Sayings and Phrases (in *What Your Third Grader Needs to Know*)
- Poetry – (Third Grade Recitations Book)

Math:

- Dimensions Math

History:

- Ancient Rome
- Vikings
- Native Americans
- Early European Explorers
- The Thirteen Colonies

Science:

- The Human Body: muscles, skeletal system, nervous system, the eye and light, the ear and sound
- Ecology
- Astronomy
- Animal Classification

Logic:

- “Building Thinking Skills” Book 1

Geography:

- Spatial Sense
- Geographical Terms and Features
- Canada
- Important Rivers of the World

Reading:

Read Aloud:

A Little Princess

The Vikings

Selections from *Alice in Wonderland*

Selections from *Wind in the Willows*

Greek, Roman, and Norse Mythology

Wizard of Oz

Core Knowledge Stories Include:

- Three Words of Wisdom
- The Arabian Nights (Aladdin / Ali Baba) (character story)
- The Hunting of the Great Bear
- Gone is Gone (with Vikings unit)
- The Little Match Girl

- William Tell (tyranny in Europe, taxation, punishment)
- The People Could Fly (slavery)
- The Little Princess
- Just So Stories

Student Readers:

1. *Charlotte's Web*
2. *Sign of the Beaver*
3. *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*
4. *The Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs*

CHARACTER EDUCATION VALUES TAUGHT IN 3RD GRADE

- Love of Learning
- Kindness
- Perseverance
- Zest
- Gratitude
- Fairness
- Prudence
- Humor