



Parents' Guide to Fifth Grade Learning Targets for Reading, Writing, and Mathematics



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~ Reading ~

By the end of Fifth Grade your child should be able to :

- Increase the number of words that can be read fluently.
- Identify meanings of words such as synonyms, antonyms and homonyms.
- Identify meanings of words using context clues and word parts.
- Use information from the story to predict certain events and/or details.
- Identify main idea and supporting details.
- Summarize text using main ideas and supporting details
- Make connections between two different stories.
- Identify different types of genres, such as fiction, non-fiction, and poetry.
- Identify literary elements such as character, setting, plot, events, problem, and solution.
- Identify exaggeration in text such as tall tales.
- Identify fact and opinion.
- Identify comprehension skills, such as cause and effect, compare and contrast and sequencing.
- Interpret graphs, charts and headings.
- Self-monitor reading by predicting, inferring, drawing conclusions, clarifying, and summarizing.

Reading Activities to do at Home

- **Have child read at home at least 30 minutes a day.**
- Read appropriate independent text by making sure that there are no more than 5 unknown words on a page.
- Discuss with your child what they are reading. Ask them questions using who, what, where, when, why and how.
- Provide many different types of reading materials such as newspapers, magazines and poems.
- Take your child to the library.
- Provide a good role model by reading yourself.
- Purchase books and gift cards to book stores for birthdays and holidays.

~ Writing ~



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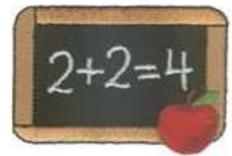
- Write with a clear focus that identifies a topic and a task.
- Write to persuade, inform and entertain.
- Gather, organize and select content appropriate for topic, task and audience.
- Develop paragraphs, topic sentences and relevant supporting details.
- Produce clear introductions, bodies and conclusions.

By the end of Fifth Grade, your child should be able to:

- Solve multi-digit multiplication and division problems.

~ Mathematics ~

- Add and subtract fractions with like and unlike denominators.
- Add and subtract decimals.
- Estimate answers to fraction problems.
- Identify the volume of three dimensional shapes.
- Classify numbers as prime and composite.
- Simplify fractions.
- Analyze double bar and line graphs.
- Extend knowledge of place value to millions and millionths.
- Classify and compare shapes
- Write & Solve expressions
- Using rulers to measure to the nearest $\frac{1}{8}$ inch
- Review basic facts: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division.
- Practice timed tests for basic facts.



Ex: multi-digit multiplication

$$\begin{array}{r} 823 \\ \times 42 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Ex: multi-digit division

$$42 \overline{) 823}$$

Mathematic Activities to do at Home

- Graph m&ms by color in a pack
- Chart temperatures over a week or two. Make line graphs to note trends. Be sure to label all parts of the graph.
- When shopping round to the nearest whole dollar. Keep track of purchases and compare the actual prices.
- Play "I Spy" looking for geometric shapes (EX: a triangle, parallelograms, cones, etc.)