



ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

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By the end of third grade, students will have had an opportunity to engage with the core concepts listed below.

- Read closely to find main ideas and supporting details in a text.
- Compare the most important points and key details presented in two books or texts on the same topic.
- Read and analyze story elements.
- Write opinions or explanations that group related information and develop topics with facts and details.
- Write stories that establish a situation and include details and clear sequences of events that describe the actions, thoughts, and feelings of characters.
- Independently conduct short research projects that build knowledge about various topics.
- Produce sentences with complete thoughts including punctuation, capitals, grade level word patterns, and high frequency words spelled correctly.
- Ask and answer questions about information heard from a speaker. Offer appropriate elaboration and details that build on what others have said while participating in classroom discussions.



QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR STUDENT

- "Who and what is the story about?"
- "What kind of person are they? How do you know?"
- "What do you think the author is trying to tell you?"
- "What do you think that word might mean? How can you figure it out?"



WAYS TO CHALLENGE THEIR THINKING

- Have "book talk" conversations. Ask your student to share the important ideas in their own words and show you what part of the book provided this information.
- Read aloud to your student to engage with literary adventures and expose them to new ideas and vocabulary.
- Encourage your student each day to choose a book they want to read on their own.
- Model being a good reader yourself.
- Pick a topic to learn about together.
- Encourage your child to use writing regularly in your daily life, like letters or emails to friends or family members.

