

# Parent Guide to K5 Standards



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## READING

### What should my child learn in K5?

#### Decoding

- Match letters to sounds.
- Use knowledge of letters and letter-sound correspondences to figure out how to read and spell words as they sound.
- Read common words such as he, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does.

#### Fluency

- Read books with purpose and understanding.

#### Vocabulary

- Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.

#### Comprehension

- Ask and answer questions about a story that is read out loud.
- Identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.
- Recognize the person, place, thing, or idea that an illustration shows.
- Participate in discussions by listening and taking turns speaking.

### How Can I Help My Child Learn at Home?



- 1 Read to your child and have him or her read to you every day for at least 15 minutes.
- 2 Pick out words that might be new to your child or words that have multiple or complex meanings. Discuss those words and how they add to what the writer is saying.
- 3 Ask your child to retell a story in his or her own words by telling what happened first, second, third, etc.
- 4 Ask your child to think about what the message of a story may be or what he or she learned from an informational book or article.



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