

1st Grade Literacy

Essential Skills and Concepts

I Can...

Reading:

- ask and answer questions about key details in a text.
- retell main idea of a story.
- describe characters, settings, and major events in a story.
- identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings.
- explain differences between books that tell stories and books that give information.
- identify who is telling the story at various points in a text.
- use the illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or event.
- compare and contrast characters in stories and between text.
- with support, read poetry and stories at 1st grade level.
- read non-fiction text at a 1st grade level.
- ask and answer questions to help determine the meaning of words and phrases in a text.
- use various text features (headings, tables of contents, glossaries, etc.) to locate key facts in informational text.
- tell what the author is thinking and why.

Foundational Skills:

- sound out words using decoding skills.
- read 1st grade sight words.
- read with fluency, accuracy and understanding.

Writing:

- write a sentence that begins with a capital letter and ends with the correct punctuation.
- write a detailed story for various topics that has a beginning, middle, and end.
- proof-read and make changes to my writing.
- use technology to write and publish my work.
- write with others.
- demonstrate 1st grade spelling and vocabulary when writing.

Speaking and Listening:

- participate in group discussions while staying on topic.
- ask and answer questions about a topic.
- recite familiar stories, poems, nursery rhymes, and lines of a play.

Language:

- demonstrate proper grammar usage when writing or speaking.
- print all upper- and lowercase letters.