

SECOND GRADE

Bible

In second grade, the focus of the Bible study is on biblical rule through a chronological and thematic study of the Old and New Testaments. Students will also learn about Bible characters including Noah, Abraham, Gideon, Samson, Nehemiah, Ruth, Esther, Daniel, Dorcas, Paul, and Jesus. Themes include God is my King, obedience, humility, serving, forgiveness, giving, thankfulness, surrender, stewardship, courage, faith, faithfulness, zeal, priorities, loyalty, joy, and evangelism.

Textbook: BJU Bible Truths 2nd ed.

English Language Arts Reading

Reading

The focus of reading in second grade includes vocabulary knowledge, vocabulary strategies; comprehension strategies (compare/contrast, cause/effect); constructing meaning (details, context clues, drawing conclusions, main idea, fact/opinion, form generalizations); reading process skills (author's purpose, predicting, text features, repair strategies); organizational structure (sequence); literary elements (setting, characterization, plot, narrator, point of view), genre characteristics (fiction/non-fiction, reality/fantasy); Author's craft (figurative language, sensory detail, literary devices)

Textbook: Teacher developed units; novel sets

Language

Capitalization of first word in a sentence, days of the week, months of the year, special holidays, names of God, and proper nouns, correct punctuation at the ends of sentences, complete sentences, 4 kinds of sentences, subjects and predicates, 4 parts of speech; words using suffixes, prefixes, abbreviations, compound words, same-meaning words, singular and plural words, singular possessive words, and contractions; alphabetizing words and other research skills; word usage rules; writing of complete sentences, questions, and exclamations; proofreader's marks for capitalization, spelling, and punctuation; writing paragraphs, stories, poems, and journal entries

Textbook: ABEKA

Phonics

Review of vowels, consonants, blends, one- and two-vowel words, consonant blends; recognition and use of all phonics special sound in reading; spelling rules: doubling consonants, dropping silent e, changing y to i

Textbook: ABEKA

Spelling

In second grade, students will have 32 weekly word lists consisting of words frequently used in writing; pattern words and irregular spelling words using an interactive study method and a weekly review of word patterns. The word lists develop phonics generalizations; vowel patterns: short and long vowels, *r*-influence vowels, diphthongs; consonant patterns: consonants, consonant blends and digraphs, soft *c*, soft *g*, silent consonants; two-syllable words ending in *le*, *er*, *y*, and reliable patterns. Weekly word lists include structural generalizations; compound words; contractions; suffixes such as *s*, *es*, *ed*, *ing*, *er*, *est*; suffix rules to include no change to the base word, double the final consonant, and drop the final *e*, and change the *y* to *i*. Students will also classify words based on shared features; make new words by adding or omitting letters; complete phonics and structural analysis activities; and determine word-meaning activities: contexts, definitions, synonyms, antonyms, and homophones. Students also begin working on proofreading and dictionary skills and sentence dictation.

Textbook: BJU Spelling 2 (3rd ed.)

Students will also learn the third 100 sight words from the Frye Sight word list.

Math

The focus of mathematics in second grade is to building on students' understanding of place value by adding and subtracting with two and three digit numbers. Students will also explore fractions, geometry and measurement. Students are also introduced to foundational multiplication and division skills. Students are also to achieve automaticity of basic addition and subtraction facts (0-20) and multiplication facts of 0,1, 2, and 5. Students are able to fluently solve 1-step word problems and are introduced to 2-step word problems.

Textbook: BJU Math 2 (4th ed.)

Science

Topics to be introduced in second grade science include general science (process skills, scientific tools, scientific method), earth science (Earth and its parts, the Earth and its relationship to space), life science (living things: fossils and dinosaurs, plants, biomes); human body systems, physical science (motion, energy, matter and heat).

Textbook: BJU Science 2

Social Studies/History

In Grade 2, students focus on their local community by examining the impact of significant individuals and events on the history of the community to include the state and nation. Students begin to develop the concepts of time and chronology. The relationship between the physical environment and human activities and the concepts of consumers and producers are introduced. Students identify the functions of the government and services provided by the local government. Students continue to acquire knowledge of customs, symbols, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles. Students explain how technological innovations have changed transportation and communication and communicate what they have learned in written, oral, and visual forms.

Textbooks: Pearson My World 2013 ed.