



What Will My Child Learn in 3rd Grade?

Reading

~Houghton Mifflin~

- Nonfiction & fiction selections
- Decoding strategies: evaluate, summarize, monitor/ clarify, predict/ infer, question
- Comprehension Skills: sequence of events, making inferences, summaries, story maps
- Skills: fantasy vs. realism, cause & effect, author's viewpoint, categorize/classify, topic/main idea/details, drawing conclusions, story structure, facts & opinion, compare & contrast, making judgments, predicting outcomes, text organization, problem-solving
- Book reports, biography report and presentation

Writing and Grammar

Houghton-Mifflin/ Step-Up to Writing

- Writing process (prewrite, rough draft, revise, edit, final draft)
- Paragraphs
- Friendly letters
- Journaling
- Types of writing projects: personal narrative, creative fiction story, descriptive paragraphs, biographical essay, summaries, persuasive letters, opinion paragraphs, informational reports.
- Grammar concepts: parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives, pronouns, conjunctions, adverbs), sentence structure, verb tense, possessives, punctuation & capitalization rules

Math

~Bob Jones University~

- Addition & Subtraction - 4 & 5-Digit Numbers
- Place Value to 1,000,000
- Multiplication & Division Facts to 10
- Time & Calendars
- Customary & Metric Measurement
- Fractions
- Geometry
- Money
- Decimals
- Simple algebraic functions
- Math facts
- Math skills centers

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Bible

~Purposeful Design~

- The life of Christ
- The early Church
- Missions from the time of Paul until now
- Types of prayer
- Prayer journaling
- Hiding God's Word in our hearts
- Musical Worship
- Chapel worship and teaching
- Applying God's Word
- Learning the books of the Bible

Social Studies

~ Teacher Created Units~

- Geography - Maps & Globes
- Map Skills - map key/legend, scale, compass rose, latitude/longitude
- Communities - How people in the past have influenced the development and interaction of different communities and regions.
- Civics - the origin, structure, and function of local government
- Economics - money exchange within a city (Junior Achievement)
- Our American Heritage - People in U.S. History (Abeka)

Science

~BJU Press, Mystery Science~

- Balanced and Unbalanced Forces
- Cells, tissues, and organs
- Sound
- How plants live: making and storing food
- Animals: classifying, animals with and without backbones
- Matter: liquid, solid, gas

(Potential) Field Trips

- Miller Farm
- Colorado Symphony
- Museum of Nature and Science

Wax Museum Project

- Integrated project of reading a biography, writing a multi-paragraph essay, learning presentation skills, designing a visual aid, and presenting the project.