



WHAT TO EXPECT IN FOURTH GRADE

BIBLE Standard Publishing Biblical Choices

The Bible is the standard of absolute truth and the ultimate authority for all of life. Biblical instruction challenges students to come to know the God of the Bible, so that they develop a worldview centered on the gospel of Christ enabling them to live lives pleasing to Him.

Weekly study and memory verses will cover the following:

King Solomon
The Divided Kingdom
Elijah and Elisha
Major Prophets: Isaiah and Jeremiah
Minor Prophets: Obadiah, Joel, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Micah, Nahum, Zephaniah, Habakkuk
The Early Church
Paul's Conversion, Missionary Journeys, and Imprisonment
Pauline Epistles

MATH Saxon Math Intermediate 5

Mathematics is the language of God's precise and deliberate design. The study of mathematics enables students to understand and articulate the logic and patterns of God's created order, and reveals that He is a God of detail and purpose.

Daily lessons and investigations will include the following components:

Facts practice, mental math practice, and problem solving
Instruction and practice in the new math concept
Problem sets (provide distributed practice on previously presented skills and concepts)
Tests are given after every fifth lesson. Tests are designed to assess skills and concepts that have been practiced five lessons after the last concept has been taught
(For example, Test 1, which is given after Lesson 10, assesses concepts from Lesson 1-5)

Concepts include:

Numeration: Place Value, Number Line, Expanded Notation	Negative Numbers
Basic operations: Whole Numbers, Fractions, and Decimals	Greatest Common Factor/Least Common Multiple
Multiplying One, Two, and Three Digit Numbers	Pre-algebra
Division by One and Two Digit Numbers	Measurement: Length, Capacity, Mass/Weight
Two-step Problems	Temperature
Order of Operations	Time
Average	Unit Conversion
Fractions, Decimals, and Percent	Geometry: Lines, Polygons, Circles, Solids, and Angles
Estimating and Rounding	Measurement: Perimeter, Radius, Diameter, Volume
Prime and Composite Numbers	Coordinate Geometry
Negative Numbers	Probability and Chance

SCIENCE Scott Foresman Science 5

Science is the study of the natural world as spoken into existence by a creative God. Students study science in order to increase in knowledge of the Creator by means of exploring His design and purpose. This knowledge will prepare them to subdue and steward the physical world for the glory of God and the good of mankind.

Earth Science:

Stars and Galaxies	Earth's Surface
Earth in Space	Earth's Resources
Water on the Earth	Weather Patterns

Physical Science:

Properties of Matter	Changing Energy
Changes in Matter	Electricity
Forces/Motion	

HISTORY Bob Jones Heritage Studies 4

History is the unfolding story of God's story as He reveals Himself to man. Christians are called to remember and make known God's story to each generation in order to know Him, become ambassadors of reconciliation, and to participate in the biblical meta-narrative. Therefore, students examine the history, culture, government, geography, and economics of the world and our nation in order to equip them to impact culture as they participate in His story.

Units include:

Justice and the Fear of God
Rebuilding the Nation
The 50 States
The Wild West

The Gilded Age
US Expansion
Industrial Revolution
Progressivism

LANGUAGE ARTS Abeka Language/Novel Units

Language is God's gift to man in order to establish a relationship with Him and to live in community with one another. As a foundation to all other learning, the language arts are essential for thinking and communicating effectively, comprehending oral and written material, and developing a love for God's Word and other literature.

Grammar:

Sentences
Capitalization
Punctuation
Parts of Speech

The Writing Process:

Paragraphs
Narrative Essays
How-to Essays
Persuasive Essays
Biographical Essays

Orthography:

Word Study
Vocabulary Building

Reading:

Fluency, comprehension, literary components

Students will read:

Class President by Johanna Hurwitz
Bound for Oregon by Jean Van Leewen
Not-Just-Anybody-Family by Betsy Byars
Letters from Rifka by Karen Hesse
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara Robinson
Pocket Full of Goobers by Barbara Mitchell
Wizard of Sound: A Story About Thomas Edison by Barbara Mitchell
Shoes for Everyone by Barbara Mitchell
Shanghaied to China by Dave & Neta Jackson
Dragon's Gate by Laurence Yep

Teachers may read aloud:

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
Holes by Louis Sachar
The Kid Who Ran for President by Dan Gutman
Encyclopedia Brown: Boy Detective by Donald J. Sobol
Treasures of the Snow by Patricia St John
The Penderwicks by Jeanne Birdsall
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi

SPECIALS

Chapel:

Lower School Chapel is held Mondays at 8:30 in the CCA Gym.

Combined Chapel is held the last Monday of the month at 9:20 in the CCA Gym.

Special Classes:

Minds in Motion (daily)
Physical Education (three times per week)
Music (two times per week)
Spanish (two times per week)
Technology (one time per week)
Art (one time per week)
Library (one time per week)

Special Projects:

Star Gazing
Invention Convention

Field Trips: St Louis Zoo (fall) and St. Louis Science Center (spring)

Jerusalem Projects:

Neighborhood Christmas Cookies
Local Business Service Project

