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3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Readiness

Package

## Your Child is ready for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade if he/ she can

### Reading

- read 90- 130 words per minute
- Give key idea / main idea of a passage after reading it.
- Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how from the details
- identify the major characters and settings of a story
- Respond to questions in complete sentences
- distinguish between fact and opinion
- summarize a short story in their own words.
- predict what happens in the story using illustrations, topic etc.
- Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.
- Know and use various text features (e.g., captions, bold print, subheadings, glossaries, indexes, electronic menus, icons

### Writing

- Write short narratives using complete simple sentences.
- Write a or short sequence of events, using details as well as sequence words( first, then, finally)
- Use Capitalization and end punctuation in simple sentences.
- Participate in shared research and writing projects.
- Recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

### Math

- Add and subtract within 20.
- Solve one step addition and subtraction word problems
- Understand place value to ones, tens, hundreds
- Read time using an analog clocks to half hour , quarter hour and 5 mins
- Identify different coins and bills and understand their value to make different amounts.
- Reason with shapes ( triangle, square, trapezoid, rhombus, square, circle)and their attributes

## **In 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade your child will learn to**

### **Reading**

- Read 130-170 words per minute.
- Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text.
- Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings).
- Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of stories written by the same author.
- Distinguish their own point of view from that of the author of a text.
- Identify and know the meaning of the most common prefixes and derivational suffixes.

### **Writing**

- Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.
- Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
- Write narratives (stories) to develop real or imagined experiences or events using simple and compound sentences.
- Use correct punctuation and capitalization in simple, compound and complex sentences.

### **Math**

- Using place value, compare and order numbers.
- Add and subtract within 100
- Multiply and divide single digit numbers fluently.
- Solve problems involving the four operations, and identify and explain patterns in arithmetic.
- Use coins and bills to calculate different amounts of money.
- Calculate elapsed time between two events in days, hours and minutes
- Identify and compare fractions using benchmark fractions and on a number line.
- Find area and perimeter of given shapes
- Identify 2 and 3 dimensional shapes and their features.

## **This is how You can help:**

- Encourage your student to read nightly (sports articles, chapter books, children's books to younger siblings, etc.).
- Practice spelling and vocabulary words with your student.
- Encourage you student to "Google" any unfamiliar topics and explain them to you in his/her own words.
- Ask you student to "teach" to you his/her homework lesson.
- Tell you student to tell you the what, where, when and how of a book or story that they recently read.
- Encourage your student to write (poetry, songs, and short stories, letters/ emails to family and friends).
- Email/ call your child's teacher frequently for any questions, comments or suggestions.
- Designate a time and place for your child to do homework. If he does not have homework, have him use the time to read.
- Ask your child to read in everyday situations i.e. restaurant menu, nutritional labels, road signs, maps etc.
- Practice math facts with your students using flash cards / playing cards.
- Ask your child's teacher for educational websites if you have internet access at home.