



Language Arts Outcomes: Grade 3

1. Students will become independent readers and critical thinkers.

Students will

- Respond to open-ended questions about literature in writing and in class discussion;

2. Students will acquire knowledge of all genres and experience a wide selection of literature.

Students will

- Read and listen to novels, poetry, biographies and non-fiction books;
- Identify basic characteristics of novel, poetry, biography and non-fiction as distinct genres;
- Navigate the organizational system used in newspapers;
- Appreciate theater presentations, puppet shows, and author studies.

3. Students will develop higher level thinking skills through the application of a variety of reading strategies.

Students will

- Develop new story endings;
- Analyze characters and their actions;
- Map, chart and diagram parts of a story;
- Make predictions;
- Write responses to stories and/or characters.

4. Students will become effective oral and written communicators.

Students will

- Report orally on projects and books;
- Participate in discussion in whole or small groups;
- Use written journals to enlarge ideas;
- Publish their writing through class books, newsletters, and the school newspaper.

5. Students will demonstrate knowledge of correct grammar, mechanics and usage of the English language.

Students will

- Correctly use nouns, verb and pronouns in writing and speaking;
- Use capitalization and punctuation skills in everyday writing.

6. Students will become familiar with a variety of resource materials.

Students will

- Use the classroom, school and public libraries;
- Locate information on the Internet;
- Consult dictionaries and glossaries when unsure of a word or spelling.