

Third Grade Learning Goals

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By the end of the grade, students will...

Language Arts/Reading

- Read more widely on a variety of topics, fiction and non-fiction, with fluency and comprehension
- Discover more details and extract deeper meaning from more complex texts (fiction, nonfiction and poetry)
- Work independently on research projects using more sophisticated and meaningful writing
- Become more adept at summarizing main points and use more abstract skills of synthesis and evaluation in writing
- Understand the importance of conventions of language, spelling and correct language
- Respond to questions more logically using evidence of expanding language with increased vocabulary and a wider range of language structures
- Make predictions, distinguish fact from fiction, recognize plot, setting and character, cause/effect, defend opinions
- Read text fluently at 120 words per minute with expression

Mathematics

- Understand place value *ones* to *thousands* and place value notation
- Understand computation with regrouping using whole numbers
- Expand knowledge of multiplication/division of whole numbers
- Understand concepts of length, perimeter, and area
- Understand time to minute and elapsed time
- Understand volume and mass
- Broaden understanding of geometric figures (plane and solid)
- Solve problems by collecting, organizing, displaying and interpreting data
- Write and solve expressions using symbols in place of numbers
- Expand knowledge of fractions
- Solve one and two step problems using all four operations (+, -, ×, ÷)
- Use number lines to round, add, subtract, and understand time and fractions

Science

- Record observations without making alterations, analyze number data, measure, make sketches, compare and describe, communicate findings
- Observe, construct, and measure objects using ordinary hand tools
- Investigate major concepts – rocks and minerals of Georgia, soil, weathering, fossils, heat energy, magnets, habitats of Georgia, pollution and conservation
- Health (QCC) - safety, nutrition, personal health, growth and development, family living, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, mental health

Social Studies

- Study origins of American democracy (history, culture)
- Study selected Americans important in ensuring personal rights along with character traits (history, culture)
- Locate major topographical features of the United States (geography)
- Investigate the basic principles of a republican form of government (civics)
- Learn about basic resources, goods and services, taxes, trade, benefits of spending and saving (economics)