Grade: Kindergarten Subject: Literacy	Unit of Study: Theme 1: Nursery Rhymes, Fairy Tales, Predictable Stories
Big Idea/Rationale	<ul> <li>In this theme, children will listen to rhymes, familiar and predictable stories to develop a better understanding of spoken words, syllables and sounds.</li> <li>Establish class procedures and routines; sitting, moving, getting a turn to speak, joining in for singing, chanting, listening to a story.</li> <li>Students will have opportunities for practice in reading using letter books, leveled texts and the Literacy Centers model.</li> <li>Students will be introduced to writing using the Writing Process model, employing the 6 Traits of Effective Writing.</li> <li>Students will be introduced to classroom procedures for Guided Reading, Literacy Centers, Writing Workshop and Fundations lessons.</li> </ul>
Enduring Understandings	<ul> <li>Active listening skills are needed for success in school</li> <li>Good listening and speaking skills help us better understand each other</li> <li>Reading is a process in which readers make meaning from</li> <li>predictable patterned text</li> <li>Reading is an active process; it is the key to knowledge and to</li> <li>understanding our world and ourselves</li> <li>Reading is a lifetime skill that enhances learning and enjoyment</li> <li>Notices letters and words</li> <li>Recognize and name many letters and some sounds</li> <li>Develop comprehension by pausing on some pages of the story to talk about the story</li> <li>Sounds can be repeated over and over in rhymes and songs</li> <li>Some words are like other words in the way they sound</li> <li>Names are words that are always the same wherever they appear</li> <li>Letters in names are the same letters that appear in other words</li> <li>Recognize own name and the names of others in the class</li> <li>Recognize some easy high frequency words</li> <li>The features of letters are the same every time you see them</li> <li>Pictures represent meaning that will help you understand the story</li> <li>When you read you hold the book a certain way and turn pages from front to back</li> <li>When you read, you go from left to right across the page and also top to bottom</li> <li>A word is represented by a group of letters and there are spaces between them</li> <li>Writing is a process, not a result</li> <li>Recognize that print represents spoken language</li> <li>Perform the motor action needed to form letters and words and know how to use the tools of writing</li> </ul>

## Know that writing can be used to communicate meaning to others Know that writing is something they can do Realize that to produce a message someone can read you must write letters and words **Essential Questions** How do we show others that we are listening to them? How do we show others that we understand what is said or asked? Can I listen and respond to what I hear? Can I recognize the letters of the alphabet? • How do I hold a book correctly? How do I follow the print on the page? How do I write the letters in my name? Can I find my own name and some of my classmates? What is the difference between a letter and a word? How can we tell if a story is real or make-believe? How can I use my writing tool to form letters correctly? Do my words match my picture? How can we communicate our ideas through writing? How can we show a purpose for our writing? How can we speak in a way that others will understand? Students will: Content (Subject Matter) Listen attentively to teachers, guest speakers, and peers. Use active listening strategies during stories and conversations: Use eye contact Be given wait time • Listen without interrupting Respond appropriately Take turns when speaking Contribute regularly to morning message, class letters Contribute (in shared writing) to a class set of directions • Write first name • Know most upper case and lower case letters • Write most lower case letters

- Track print
- Know a word is a unit of meaning
- Recognize rhyming patterns and rhyming words
- Match spoken sounds to letters in print
- Be exposed to different literary genres:
  - fantasy
  - nursery rhymes
  - folktales
  - fables
  - poetry

- Expose to fiction and non-fiction texts
- Learn (enjoy/listen to) a variety of books, poems, chants, songs
- Introduce concepts of print such as: cover, title, author, illustrator of book
- Sequence events
- Make predictions based on prior knowledge and preview of text.
- Describe illustrations in a book
- Recall information
- Participate in an active discussion about a story.
- Respond to stories orally
- Retell or act out a story using beginning, middle, and end.
- Make connections to their lives or other stories.
- Recognize a set of high frequency words
- Match writing to a picture
- Share writing-generating ideas
- Interact with others for shared writing lessons
- Write from Left to Right, Top to Bottom
- Be introduced to concepts of ideas, conventions, and organization
- Use spaces between words
- Use consonant sounds for phonetic spellings
- See a purpose for writing
- Retell an experience orally

## **Standards**

- RL.K.1: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.
- RL.K.2: With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.
- RL.K.10: Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.
- RI.K.1: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.
- RI.K.5: Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.
- RF.K.1 Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.
- RF.K.1.A: Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.
- RF.K.1.B: Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.
- RF,K.1.C: Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.
- RF.K.1.D: Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.
- RF.K.3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
- RF.K.3.A: Demonstrate basic knowledge of letter-sound

- correspondences by producing the primary or most frequent sound for each consonant.
- RF.K.3.B: Read common high-frequency words by sight. (e.g., *the*, *of*, *to*, *you*, *she*, *my*, *is*, *are*, *do*, *does*).
- SL.K.1: Participate in collaborative conversations about *kindergarten topics and texts* with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
- SL.K.1.A: Follow rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).
- SL.K.1.B: Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges
- SL.K.3: Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.
- SL.K.4: Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.
- SL.K.5: Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.
- SL.K.6: Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.
- L.K.1: Observe conventions of grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
- L.K.1.A: Print many upper- and lowercase letters. (Phonemes)
- L.K.1.B: Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.
- L.K.1.C: Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes).
- L.K.1.D: Understand and use question words (interrogatives)
- L.K.1.E: Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, of, by, for, with).
- L.K.1.F: Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.
- L.K.5: With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
- L.K.5.B: Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites.
- L.K.5.C: Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).

## Materials/Resources

- Rigby leveled readers
- Fountas and Pinnell leveled readers (fiction and non-fiction)
- Supplemental leveled readers
- Shared Reading: big books and rhymes
- -Chicka, Chicka Boom, Boom; Down By The Bay; Alphabet Rescue; Dan the Flying Man; Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes, Alphabet books, Fairy Tales (Little Red Riding Hood, etc.)
- Themed read-aloud books such as *The Kissing Hand; Mrs Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten; Look out Kindergarten Here I Come; We Share Everything*

- Phonics Lessons, Letters, Words and How They Work by Fountas and Pinnell
- Fundations Teacher's Manual, Levels K-2/Wilson; www.fundations.com
- The Continuum of Learning by Fountas and Pinnell
- Six Traits Writing support materials
- www.readinga-z.com
- www.jmeacham.com
- www.abcya.com
- <u>www.starfall.com</u>
- www.brainpopjr.com