

# KINGSPORT CITY SCHOOLS PARENT GUIDES

## LITERACY

### English Language Arts & Literacy

- Paying close attention to details, including illustrations and graphics, in stories and books to answer who, what, where, when, why and how questions
- Determining the lesson or moral of stories, fables, and folktales
- Using text features (e.g., captions, bold print, indexes) to locate key facts or information efficiently
- Writing an opinion about a book he or she has read, using important details from the materials to support that opinion
- Writing stories that include a short sequence of events and include a clear beginning, middle, and end
- Taking part in conversations by linking his or her comments to the remarks of others and asking and answering questions to gather additional information or deepen understanding of the topic
- Retelling key information or ideas from media or books read aloud
- Producing, expanding, and rearranging sentences (e.g., "The boy watched the movie"; "The little boy watched the movie"; "The action movie was watched by the little boy")
- Determining the meaning of the new word formed when a known prefix or suffix is added to a known word (happy/unhappy; pain/painful/painless)

### Tennessee State Standards

This guide provides a overview of the curriculum standards in English and Language Arts for second grade. The Tennessee State Standards are important because they help ensure that all students, no matter where they live, are prepared for success in college and the workforce. With this overview, it is our hope that families and teachers will work collaboratively toward the success of all students. These standards help children develop critical thinking skills that will prepare them for college and career. As your child meets these expectations, he or she will be well prepared for third grade.

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Parents' Guide to Student Success 2012



### Helping at Home

- Read at home every day and assist your child by reading every other paragraph. To find recommendations of books for your child to read, visit [qqq.corestandards.org/assets/Appendix\\_Bpdf](http://qqq.corestandards.org/assets/Appendix_Bpdf).
- Have your child write a thank you note or letter to family members or friends

## SECOND GRADE

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