

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

SPARK English Language Arts Grade 1



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UNIT 1: Key Details (RL.1.1)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Key Details (RL.1.1)*	3. Post-Test: Key Details (RL.1.1)
2. Finding Key Details in a Story (RL.1.1)	4. Key Details in a Story (RL.1.1)*

UNIT 2: Retelling Stories and Finding the Central Message (RL.1.2)	
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UNIT 3: Identifying Characters, Settings, and Event (RL.1.3)	
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UNIT 5: Common Types of Texts: Fiction and Nonfiction (RL.1.5)	
Assignments	
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2. Differences between Books (RL.1.5)	4. Differences between Stories and Information (RL.1.5)*

UNIT 6: Finding the Storyteller (RL.1.6)	
Assignments	
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UNIT 7: Illustrations and Details: Characters, Setting, and Events (RL.1.7)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Illustrations and Details: Characters, Setting, and Events (RL.1.7)*	3. Post-Test: Illustrations and Details: Characters, Setting, and Events (RL.1.7)
2. Using Illustrations and Details to Describe (RL.1.7)	4. Using Details to Show, Tell, and Describe (RL.1.7)*

UNIT 8: Compare and Contrast: Characters (RL.1.9)**Assignments**

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| 1. Pre-Test: Compare and Contrast: Characters (RL.1.9)* | 3. Post-Test: Compare and Contrast: Characters (RL.1.9) |
| 2. Finding What is the Same and What is Different (RL.1.9) | 4. Comparing and Contrasting Adventures and Experiences (RL.1.9)* |

UNIT 9: Questions about Key Details in Text (RI.1.1)**Assignments**

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| 1. Pre-Test: Questions about Key Details in Text (RI.1.1)* | 3. Post-Test: Questions about Key Details in Text (RI.1.1) |
| 2. Ask and Answer Questions to Learn about Key Details (RI.1.1) | 4. Learning about Key Details through Questions (RI.1.1)* |

UNIT 10: Identify Main Topic (RI.1.2)**Assignments**

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| 1. Pre-Test: Identify Main Topic (RI.1.2)* | 3. Post-Test: Identify Main Topic (RI.1.2) |
| 2. Identifying the Main Topic and Retelling Key Details (RI.1.2) | 4. The Topic and Details in an Informational Text (RI.1.2)* |

UNIT 11: Connections in Text (RI.1.3)**Assignments**

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| 1. Pre-Test: Connections in Text (RI.1.3)* | 4. Identify Events and Make Connections between Them (RI.1.3)* |
| 2. Connecting Two Things in a Text (RI.1.3) | |
| 3. Post-Test: Connections in Text (RI.1.3) | |

UNIT 12: Unknown Words and Phrases (RI.1.4)**Assignments**

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| 2. Use Questions to Figure Out Meaning (RI.1.4) | 4. Use Context Clues to Figure Out Meaning (RI.1.4)* |

UNIT 13: Using Text Features (RI.1.5)**Assignments**

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| 1. Pre-Test: Using Text Features (RI.1.5)* | 3. Post-Test: Using Text Features (RI.1.5) |
| 2. Identifying Text Features (RI.1.5) | 4. Using Text Features to Find Things (RI.1.5)* |

UNIT 14: Information from Illustrations and Text (RI.1.6)**Assignments**

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| 2. Telling Picture and Text Information Apart (RI.1.6) | 4. Finding Information in Pictures and Words (RI.1.6)* |

UNIT 15: Illustrations and Details: Key Ideas (RI.1.7)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Illustrations and Details: Key Ideas (RI.1.7)*	3. Post-Test: Illustrations and Details: Key Ideas (RI.1.7)
2. Using Illustration and Detail Words to Describe Key Ideas (RI.1.7)	4. Finding Key Ideas with Illustration and Detail Words (RI.1.7)*

UNIT 16: Supporting Details (RI.1.8)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Supporting Details (RI.1.8)*	3. Post-Test: Supporting Details (RI.1.8)
2. Figuring out What is Important to an Author and Why (RI.1.8)	4. Identify an Author's Points and Supporting Reasons (RI.1.8)*

UNIT 17: Similarities and Difference in Different Texts (RI.1.9)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Similarities and Difference in Different Texts (RI.1.9)*	3. Post-Test: Comparing and Contrasting Texts (RI.1.9)
2. Telling How Two Texts are Alike and Different (RI.1.9)	4. Figuring out What is Alike and What is Different in Texts (RI.1.9)*

UNIT 17: Similarities and Difference in Different Texts (RI.1.9)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Similarities and Difference in Different Texts (RI.1.9)*	3. Post-Test: Comparing and Contrasting Texts (RI.1.9)
2. Telling How Two Texts are Alike and Different (RI.1.9)	4. Figuring out What is Alike and What is Different in Texts (RI.1.9)*

UNIT 18: Print Concepts (RF.1.1)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Print Concepts (RF.1.1)*	3. Post-Test: Print Concepts (RF.1.1)
2. Basic Features of Print and Sentences (RF.1.1)	

UNIT 19: Phonological Awareness (RF.1.2)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Phonological Awareness (RF.1.2)*	4. Listening to Word Sounds and Saying Them (RF.1.2)*
2. Matching Letters to Sounds (RF.1.2)	5. Repeating the Sounds of Spoken Words (RF.1.2)*
3. Post-Test: Phonological Awareness (RF.1.2)	6. Saying the Sounds of a Word (RF.1.2)*

UNIT 20: Phonics and Word Recognition (RF.1.3)	
Assignments	
1. Pre-Test: Phonics and Word Recognition (RF.1.3)*	5. Vowel teams and the Silent-e Rule for Long Vowels (RF.1.3)*
2. Spelling-Sound Relationships for Consonant Digraphs (RF.1.3)	6. Telling the Number of Vowel Sounds and Syllables (RF.1.3)*
3. Post-Test: Phonics and Word Recognition (RF.1.3)	7. De-coding Two-syllable Words (RF.1.3)*
4. Reading One-syllable Words with Common Spelling (RF.1.3)*	8. Inflectional Endings (RF.1.3)*
	9. Irregularly Spelled Words (RF.1.3)*

(*) Indicates alternative assignment