

Course: RLA, 2nd Semester

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Instructional Plan

Course Content Description Template

Provide a brief overview of the course content, including key topics and themes covered throughout the course.

RLA for fifth grade consists of reading, writing, language, research, speaking and listening. The reading component is being able to analyze across genres, deepen comprehension, and be able to interpret figurative language. We will apply the writing process and learn the different genres of writing such as narrative, expository, persuasive, and poetry. The language piece includes grammar, vocabulary, spelling and conventions. We will also be learning about research using inquiry based projects, summarizing sources, and being able to present our findings. Finally, for speaking/listening we will work on oral communication, presentations and media literacy.

Major Assignments and Projects Template

List the major assignments and projects for the course, including their purpose and any relevant deadlines or evaluation criteria.

Students will complete a reading practice page weekly to help reinforce the skills that we have worked on in class.

Students will be given a spelling list of fifth grade words that includes a spelling pattern for each week, high use words, and content words. This practice is so beneficial for students' spelling and writing foundational skills.

Fifth grade will have class assignments covering the TEKS that have been taught for RLA. We will be spiraling through the course of the year to continue to review the concepts we have learned.

Novel studies will be used to help guide fifth graders to become good readers and foster a love for reading. Students will be able to make connections and have class discussions about what we are reading. They will use the novel study to reinforce reading skills as well as writing.

Required Textbooks and Instructional Materials Template

List the textbooks and other instructional materials required for the course, including authors, publication dates, and any additional resources needed for successful completion.

Fifth grade will be using Think Up! ELAR and Teach Big to learn the TEKS and continue to grow our foundational reading skills, critical thinking skills, writing, and literacy. We will create a strong instructional focus and promote the development of literacy skills. We will work on confidence and build stamina. We will comprehend and analyze different genres. We will practice language skills using these instructional tools and make reading-writing connections.

Students will engage with supplemental readings through MindPlay to support skill development, fluency and reading comprehension. Short texts from these platforms will be used to reinforce literary concepts and reading strategies.