Englewood Public School District English Language Arts Grades 1 to 5

Journeys Literacy Program

Grades One to Five will be implementing the research-based balanced literacy program published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, entitled *Journeys*. This literacy program provides students with research-based curriculum materials. Teachers utilize read alouds, guided reading, shared reading, and independent reading, integrated with various writing opportunities and techniques as a means to a whole literacy approach. The new program includes flexible grouping based on student needs, one-on-one specific skills instruction, independent reading, and ongoing assessment to continually direct instruction.

Teachers College Reading and Writing Project

Units of Study in Opinion, Information, and Narrative Writing, K–5, is a new publication from Lucy Calkins and her colleagues at the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project. For each grade level Lucy and her team have designed and piloted a yearlong curriculum founded on the expectations of the Common Core State Standards and built on the experience of decades of intensive literacy instruction with hundreds of thousands of students and educators.

Orton-Gillingham

The Orton-Gillingham method is language-based and success-oriented. The scholars are directly taught reading, handwriting, and written expression as one logical body of knowledge. Learners move step by step from simple to more complex material in a sequential, logical manner that enables scholars to master important literacy skills. The Orton-Gillingham methodology utilizes phonetics and emphasizes visual, auditory, and kinesthetic learning styles. Instruction begins by focusing on the structure of language and gradually moves towards reading. This program provides scholars with immediate feedback and a predictable sequence that integrates reading, writing, and spelling. This comprehensive approach to reading instruction benefits all scholars.

UNIT	TOPIC	Weeks
1	Around the Neighborhood	6
2	Sharing Time	6
3	Nature Near and Far	6
4	Exploring Together	6
5	Watch Us Grow	6
6	Three Cheers For Us! 6	

Englewood Public School District English Language Arts Grade 1

Unit 1: Around the Neighborhood

Overview: The theme for Unit 1 is "Around the Neighborhood." This unit is preceded by a "Welcome Back to School" weeklong review of kindergarten skills and assessments. This unit provides students with an introduction to concepts related to being a good friend and a good neighbor. This unit also touches on subjects such as local weather and transportation. Students will also participate in a writer's workshop to learn how to write a narrative essay.

Time Frame: 6 Weeks

Enduring Understandings:

Attributes of a good friend and neighbor Structure of neighborhoods Understanding weather Getting from one place to another

Essential Questions:

What is important about being a friend? What happens during a storm? Why is going to school important? Who can you meet in a neighborhood? What happens on the train?

Standards	Topics and Objectives	Activities	Resources	Assessments
RF.1.4. Read with sufficient	Topics	Teacher Read Aloud:	Texts:	Unit Benchmark
accuracy and fluency to		"The Lion and the Mouse"	Journeys English Language	Assessment:
support comprehension.	Main Idea	Students will use an event	Arts Program, Houghton	 Common
		map to take notes	Mifflin Harcourt, 2017	Formative
RI.1.10. With prompting and	Summarize	https://www.dailyteaching		Assessment
support, read informational		tools.com/language-arts-	Unit 1: Lesson 1	 Exact Path
texts at grade level text	Informational Text	graphic-	Anchor Text: "What Is a	
complexity or above.		organizers.html#11	Pal?" (Genre: Informational	Summative
	Twenty-First Century		Text)	Assessment:
RI.1.2. Identify the main	Themes and Skills include:	Vocabulary: Students will		
topic and retell key details of	• The Four C's	classify and categorize	Paired Selection: Friends	
a text.			Forever (Genre: Poetry)	

RI.1.6. Distinguish between information provided by pictures or other illustrations and information provided by the words in a text.

SL.1.2. Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

SL.1.3. Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

- Global Awareness
- Civic Literacy

Objectives

Students will identify the main idea and details about what a friend is.

Students will discuss the characteristics of informational text, such as photos of real children.

words in small groups (CRP4)

Speaking and Listening: Students will practice how to have a good discussion (CRP4)

Grammar: Nouns Students will watch video, "Schoolhouse Rock- What is a noun?" https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=WWZpLS1I6u M

Writing: Narrative: Labels Students will complete a graphic organizer for their upcoming narrative https://www.scholastic.co m/content/dam/teachers/blogs/genia-connell/migrated-files/personal narrative graphic organizer snapshot.pdf (CRP6)

Companion Text:

"Hailey the Helper" (Genre: Informational Text)
https://newsela.com/read/ele
m-kid-volunteer/id/30363/

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Lesson 1 Vocabulary and Comprehension Tests

Formative Assessment:

- Lesson 1 Cold Reads
- Running Records
- Anecdotal Notes
- Unit Progress Monitoring Assessments

Alternative Assessments:

Students will practice having a good discussion with a partner.

Students will role play discussion techniques and the roles of a friend.

Students will respond to oral questioning and retell the events from the teacher read aloud.

W.1.3. Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order,

Topics

Narrative Writing

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

• The Four C's

Students will use a story starter worksheet to practice writing independently. (8.1.2.A.2, CRP6)

https://www.education.co.

https://www.education.co m/worksheet/article/storystarters-11/

Texts:

Reading and Writing Project *First*hand, 2013 Small Moments, Writing with Focus, Detail, and Dialogue, Grade 1, Unit 1

Formative Assessments:

Instructors will identify student's baseline strengths and areas of need using on-demand writing assessments.

and provide some sense of closure.	Objectives Students will learn how to	Students will use a graphic organizer to plan	Bend I: Writing Small Moment Series with Independence, Lessons 1 to 7	Instructors and students will evaluate progress toward writing narrative
W.1.5. With guidance and support from adults, focus on	write independently with early stages of proficiency.	their story (CRP6) https://www.education.co	Video:	essays.
a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and self-reflection, and add details to strengthen writing and ideas as needed.	early stages of proficiency.	m/worksheet/article/plan- your-narrative/	Writing a Personal Narrative: Writing a Draft for Kids https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Y_fxQ_52pk&t=31s	Instructors will use exemplar pieces of student writing at each grade level to evaluate developmental needs of students.
				Summative Assessment: Final draft of narrative writing
				Alternative Assessments Instructor will maintain a running record of student growth in writing skills.
				Instructor and students will use rubrics for student self-assessment.
				Instructor will provide students with writing checklists for self-reflection.
DI 11 Ask and susua	Topics	Teacher Read Aloud: "Sugia and the Bandita"	Texts:	Summative
RL.1.1. Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Understanding Characters	"Susie and the Bandits" Students will use a think aloud worksheet.	Journeys English Language Arts Program, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017	Assessment: Lesson 2 Vocabulary and Comprehension
RL.1.3. Describe characters,	Infer/Predict	http://snippetsbysarah.blogspot.com/2012/11/think-	Unit 1: Lesson 2	Tests
settings, and major event(s) in a story, using key details.	Realistic Fiction	alouds-with-freebie.html	Anchor Text: "The Storm" (Genre: Realistic Fiction)	Formative Assessment

RL 1.4 Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.

RL.1.5. Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.

SL.1.2. Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

SL.1.3. Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

RL.1.7. Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events.

RL.1.9. Compare and contrast the adventures and

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Global Awareness
- Environmental Literacy

Objectives

Students will understand characters in a story.

Students will use textual evidence to infer and predict.

Students will access prior knowledge to exchange information about a topic. Vocabulary: Context Clues Students will engage in a word meaning game (CRP4) https://www.k12reader.co m/worksheet/word-

Speaking and Listening: Ask and Answer Students will ask questions about weather and their peers will help answer them using chart

meaning-game/

paper (CRP4)

Grammar: Possessives Students will practice writing possessives independently.

Writing: Narrative: Captions Students will use a story map (**CRP6**) https://www.dailyteaching tools.com/language-artsgraphic-organizers.html Paired Selection: Storms (Genre: Informational Text)

Companion Text:

"Windy Weather" (Genre: Informational Text)(6.1.4.B.4)

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rticle/Windy-Weather/e1e51ed9-e621-4fda-a68a-2e5bd13e6e6e#!articleTab:content/">https://www.readworks.org/a
rticle/Windy-Weather/e1e51ed9-e621-4fda-a68a-2e5bd13e6e6e#!articleTab:content/

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- Lesson 2 Cold Reads
- Running Records
- Anecdotal Notes
- Unit Progress Monitoring Assessments

Alternative Assessments

Students will respond to oral questioning and retell the events from the teacher read aloud

Students will use a prediction chart.

Students will complete a KWL chart about weather.

Topics

Sequence of Events

Monitor/Clarify

Author's Word Choice

Teacher Read Aloud: "Stone Stew"
Students will use a think aloud worksheet.
http://snippetsbysarah.blogspot.com/2012/11/thinkalouds-with-freebie.html

Texts:

Journeys English Language Arts Program, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017

Unit 1: Lesson 3 Anchor Text: "Curious George at School" (Genre: Fantasy)

Formative Assessment:

Unit Progress Monitoring Assessments using ask and answer discussions, narrative writing, and selfassessment.

Lesson 3 Cold Reads

experiences of characters in stories.

L.1.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standards English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

L.1.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple meaning words and phrases based on grade 1 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.

L.1.5. With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

W.1.3. Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy

Objectives

Students will identify and describe the sequence of events.

Students will monitor understanding of the story while reading, and use strategies to clarify its meaning, such as rereading.

Students will engage effectively in collaborative conversations.

Vocabulary: Multi-Meaning Words Students will work in small groups to find synonyms for multimeaning words (CRP4)

Speaking and Listening: Using Visuals Students will role play discussion techniques and the roles of members of a school community. (9.2.4.A.2, CRP4)

Grammar: Action Verbs (present tense)
Students will watch video "Action Verbs" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3EYciNco58

Writing: Narrative:
Sentences
Students will practice
writing detailed sentences
using a worksheet
https://www.education.co
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nce-writing-9/
Students will use a
graphic organizer to
develop narrative
characters (**CRP6**)
https://www.education.co
m/worksheet/article/narrat
ive-writing-describecharacters/

Paired Selection: "School Long Ago" (Genre: Informational Text)

Companion Text:

"Kids in South Korea have phones, tutors and ballet classes just like you" https://newsela.com/read/elem-south-korean-kids/id/39872/ (6.1.4.A.14) (6.1.4.D.13)

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Summative Assessment:

Lesson 3 Vocabulary and Comprehension Tests

Alternative Assessments:

Students will work in small groups to find synonyms for multimeaning words

Students will role play discussion techniques and the roles of members of a school community.

Students will respond to oral questioning and retell the events from the teacher read aloud.

Topics

Narrative Writing

Twenty-First Century
Themes and Skills include:

• The Four C's

Objectives

Texts:

Reading and Writing Project *Firsthand*, Heinemann, 2013, Small Moments, Writing with Focus, Detail, and Dialogue, Grade 1, Unit 1

Bend II: Bringing Small Moment Stories to Life, Lessons 8 to 13.

Formative Assessment:

Instructors will identify student's baseline strengths and areas of need using on-demand writing assessments.

Instructors and students will evaluate progress

W.1.5. With guidance and	Students will begin to		\$7° 1	toward writing narrative
support from adults, focus on	integrate the use of		Video:	essays.
a topic, respond to questions	characterization in their		Character Traits and	T4
and suggestions from peers and self-reflection, and add	stories.		Character Development Lesson	Instructors will use exemplar pieces of
details to strengthen writing			https://www.youtube.com/wa	student writing at each
and ideas as needed.			tch?v=wWYpj9aqTr0	grade level to evaluate
				developmental needs of
				students.
				Summative
				Assessment:
				Final draft of narrative
				writing
				Alternative
				Assessments
				Instructor will maintain
				a running record of
				student growth in
				writing skills.
				Instructor and students
				will use rubrics for
				student self-assessment.
				Instructor will provide
				students with writing
				checklists for self-
	Topics	Teacher Read Aloud:	Text:	reflection. Summative
RI.1.5. Know and use various	ropics	"Painting Word Pictures"	Journeys English Language	Assessment:
text features (e.g., headings,	Text and Graphic Features	Students will use a think	Arts Program, Houghton	Lesson 4 Vocabulary
tables of contents, glossaries,	1	aloud worksheet.	Mifflin Harcourt, 2017	and Comprehension
electronic menus, icons) to	Question	http://snippetsbysarah.blo		Tests
locate key facts or		gspot.com/2012/11/think-	Unit 1: Lesson 4	
information in a text.	Author's Word Choice	alouds-with-freebie.html	Anchor Text: "Lucia's	Formative Assessment:
DI 1.6 Digtingwick between	Twenty First Continue	Vocabularu Alababatical	Neighborhood" (Genre:	• Lesson 4 Cold
RI.1.6. Distinguish between information provided by	Twenty-First Century Themes and Skills include:	Vocabulary: Alphabetical Order	Informational Text)	Reads
information provided by	Themes and Skins include.	Oruci		 Running Records

pictures or other illustration and information provided by
the words in a text.
RI.1.8. Identify the reasons
an author gives to support
points in a text and explain
the application of this
information with prompting
as needed.

Objectives

Students will use text and graphic features to find information.

Students ask questions while reading to aid comprehension.

Students use writing to share information in collaborative conversation.

Topics

Story Structure

Fantasy

Analyze/Evaluate

Twenty-First Century

The Four C's

Civic Literacy

Themes and Skills include:

RF.1.4. Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

settings, and major event(s) in a story, using key details.

RL.1.5. Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information,

- The Four C's
- Civic Literacy

Speaking and Listening: Using Text Features, incorporating class discussion about different types of neighborhoods

Students will work in

alphabetize vocabulary

small groups to

words (CRP4)

(9.2.4.A.2, CRP4)

Grammar: Adjectives (size, shape) Students will practice using adjectives to describe a picture https://www.k12reader.co m/worksheet/describe-itwith-adjectives/

Writing: Narrative: Class Story Students will use Google Docs to compose and share a class story (8.1.2.A.2, CRP4, CRP6)

Teacher Read Aloud: "Training Around the Town" (9.2.4.A.2) Students will use a think aloud worksheet. http://snippetsbysarah.blo gspot.com/2012/11/thinkalouds-with-freebie.html

Vocabulary: Synonyms (CRP4)

Paired Selection: "City Mouse and Country Mouse" (Genre: Fable)

Companion Text:

"Outdoor Alphabet Helps Neighborhood Kids Learn to Read" https://newsela.com/read/ele m-brooklyn-publicart/id/30681/

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- Anecdotal Notes
- **Unit Progress** Monitoring Assessments

Alternative Assessments:

Students will work collaboratively to solve problems.

Students will role play discussion techniques and the roles of varied community members.

Students will respond to oral questioning and retell the events from the teacher read aloud.

Texts:

Journeys English Language Arts Program, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017

Unit 1: Lesson 5 Anchor Text: "Gus Takes the Train" (Genre: Fantasy)

Paired Selection: "City Zoo" (Genre: Informational Text)

Companion Text:

Summative Assessment:

Lesson 5 Vocabulary and Comprehension **Tests**

Formative Assessment:

- Lesson 5 Cold Reads
- Running Records
- Anecdotal Notes

RL.1.3. Describe characters,

drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.

RL.1.7 Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting or events.

RI.1.9. Identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).

SL.1.1. Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

Environmental Literacy

Objectives

Students will understand story structure and describe characters, settings, and major events.

Students will analyze and evaluate a story to aid comprehension.

Students will contribute to a discussion by sharing ideas for a K-W chart.

Give half of your students a big card with a vocabulary word, and the other half a big card with a synonym for each vocabulary word. Tell them that they need to find their synonym Tape their syllable cards on their chest and on your signal, have them go around the room to look for their pairs.

Speaking and Listening: Class Report, incorporating class discussion and share aloud questions about different modes of transportation in communities (9.2.4.A.2, CRP4)

Grammar: Adjectives (color, number) Video: "All About Adjectives" https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=94cdAyvPi3O

Writing: Narrative: Class Story Students will use Google Docs to compose and share a class story (8.1.2.A.2, CRP4, CRP6)

Students will complete a Venn Diagram to compare

Texts: Reading and Writing Project **Unit Progress** Monitoring Assessments

Unit 1 Assessment

Performance Tasks: Write about reading, and Write a story

Alternative Assessments

Students will present their vocabulary pairs.

Students will role play discussion techniques and the different types of transportation in neighborhoods.

Students will respond to oral questioning and retell the events from the teacher read aloud.

W.1.3. Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately

Narrative Writing

Topics

"Getting Around Cities"

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Cities/207edcb5-5d81-408e-

b111483e7b34#!articleTab:c

Formative Assessment: Instructors will identify student's baseline

sequenced events include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure. W.1.5. With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and self-reflection, and add details to strengthen writing and ideas as needed.	Twenty-First Century Themes and Skills include: • The Four C's Objectives Students will consider how other authors write.	and contrast different authors' styles.	Firsthand, Heinemann, 2013, Small Moments, Writing with Focus, Detail, and Dialogue, Grade 1, Unit 1 Bend III: Studying Other Writer's Craft, Lessons 14 to 17 Companion Text: "Get to Know Mo" https://www.timeforkids.com/k1/get-to-know-mo/ Scholastic Magazine	strengths and areas of need using on-demand writing assessments. Summative Assessment: Instructors and students will evaluate progress toward writing narrative essays. Instructors will use exemplar pieces of student writing at each grade level to evaluate developmental needs of students. Alternative Assessments Instructor will maintain a running record of student growth in writing skills. Instructor and students will use rubrics for student self-assessment. Instructor will provide students with writing checklists for self-
DF 1.1 Domonstrate mostow	Topics	Students will experience	Institute for Multi Cansony	reflection.
RF.1.1. Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic features of print including those listed under Kindergarten foundation skills.	Topics Language – Orton- Gillingham Objectives	Students will experience 30 minutes of instruction daily to enhance their ability to decode words, spell words correctly, and to comprehend what they hear and read.	Institute for Multi-Sensory Education, Orton- Gillingham, 2014 Five-Part Weekly Program: 1. Three-Part Drill 2. Teaching a New Concept	Pre-Assessment, Formative Assessment and Summative Assessment: Instructors will implement three levels

RF.1.2. Demonstrate mastery of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes) by using knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word.

RF.1.3. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

RF.1.4. Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

L.1.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

L.1.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

L1.3 Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

Students will review phonetics concepts.

Students will learn new phoneme/rules via a multi-sensory approach.

Students will decode multisyllabic words.

Students will spell high frequency words correctly.

Students will comprehend what they hear and read.

- 3. Decoding and Learning Centers
- 4. Red Words
- 5. Comprehension

of assessments to evaluate students:

- Phonemic awareness
- Naming and recognizing letters
- The formation of letters
- Phoneme/grapheme relationships
- Decoding multisyllabic words
- Memorization techniques
- Fluency of reading and writing
- Auditory sound discriminations
- Sentence structure
- Vocabulary building

Accommodations and Modifications:

Students with special needs: Support staff will be available to aid students related to IEP specifications. 504 accommodations will also be attended to by all instructional leaders. Physical expectations and modifications, alternative assessments, and scaffolding strategies will be used to support this learning. The use of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) will be considered for all students as teaching strategies are considered. Additional safety precautions will be made along with additional staff so all student can fully participate in the standards associated with this curriculum.

ELL/ESL students: Students will be supported according to the recommendations for "can do's" as outlined by WIDA - https://www.wida.us/standards/CAN_DOs/

Students at risk of school failure: Formative and summative data will be used to monitor student success at first signs of failure student work will be reviewed to determine support this may include parent consultation, basic skills review and differentiation strategies. With considerations to UDL, time may be a factor in overcoming developmental considerations. More time and will be made available with a certified instructor to aid students in reaching the standards.

Gifted and Talented Students: Students excelling in mastery of standards will be challenged with complex, high level challenges related to the complexity of the reading and writing requirements. This will include allowing more opportunities to demonstrate creativity and allow for student choice.

English Language Learners

- Teacher modeling
- Peer modeling
- Develop and post routines
- Label classroom materials
- Word walls
- Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.

Special Education

- Utilize modifications & accommodations delineated in the student's IEP
- Work with paraprofessional
- Use multi-sensory teaching approaches that provide helpful visual, auditory, and tactile reinforcement of ideas.
- Work with a partner
- Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.

At-Risk

- Using visual demonstrations, illustrations, and models
- Give directions/instructions verbally and in simple written format.
- Peer Support
- Increase one on one time
- Teachers may modify instructions by modeling what the student is expected to do
- Instructions may be printed out in large print and hung up for the student to see during the time of the lesson.
- Review behavior expectations and adjust for

Gifted and Talented

- Curriculum compacting
- Inquiry-based instruction
- Independent study
- Higher order thinking skills
- Adjusting the pace of lessons
- Interest based content
- Real world scenarios
- Student Driven Instruction

personal space or other
behaviors as needed.
 Oral prompts can be given.

Integration of 21st Century Standards NJSLS 9:

9.2.4.A.2: Identify various life roles and civic and work-related activities in the school, home, and community. and work-related activities in the school, home, and community.

Interdisciplinary Connections:

Social Studies:

- 6.1.4.A.14 Describe how the world is divided into many nations that have their own governments, languages, customs, and laws.
- 6.1.4.B.4 Describe how landforms, climate and weather, and availability of resources have impacted where and how people live and work in different regions of New Jersey and the United States.
- 6.1.4.D.13 Describe how culture is expressed through and influenced by the behavior of people.

Integration of Technology Standards NJSLS 8:

8.1.2.A.2 Create a document using a word processing application.

Career Ready Practices:

CRP4. Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.

CRP6. Demonstrate creativity and innovation.