

English Language Arts Curriculum Guide 2025 - 2026

TK- 2nd Phonemic awareness, Phonics, Sight Words, Reading, Writing, Spelling (1st grade +)

3rd- 5th Reading Comprehension, Literary Analysis, Vocabulary, Writing, Spelling, Grammar

6th-12th Reading Comprehension, Literary Analysis, Vocabulary, Writing (may incorporate Spelling & Grammar)

Cost Key: \$ under \$100 \$\$ \$100-\$150 \$\$\$ \$150-\$200 \$\$\$\$ \$200+

FOUNDATIONAL READING & WRITING

Logic of English	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Foundations A - D	K-2	Printed Workbooks & Books		
Sutter Peak Recommended		Online Materials Core Material (charts, cards, tiles & other manipulatives) Online Resources		Sutter Peak CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

SPCA Curriculum! A structured approach to literacy that ensures young readers learn the relationship between letters and sounds without guessing or cueing. Includes phonemic awareness, phonics, and spelling rules. Also integrates: handwriting, introduction to composition & grammar, and beginning comprehension strategies. Each level contains 40 lessons, eight assessments, controlled readers and engaging games. "Help Me Choose" option or PDF Flow chart aid parents in choosing the starting point for students. Learn more: https://www.logicofenglish.com/

LANGUAGE ARTS 3RD – 12TH

READING/LITERATURE

Lightning	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Literature	3-8	Print (Teacher Guide, Student Guide [7		
Sutter Peak Recommended		& 8 only], Student Workbook, grade- level Literature Pack) Online Resources		Sutter Peak CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

SPCA Curriculum! Integrated approach to teaching literary knowledge and language arts skills. Includes the study of literature, grammar & mechanics, and composition. Consistent structure and step-by-step lessons to follow. Balance of parent-led and independent activities. Broad and interesting book list at each grade level. https://hewittlearning.org/curriculum-home/lightning-lit/

Essentials in	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Literature	7-12	Print & Video Lessons		
Sutter Peak Recommended				Sutter Peak CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

SPCA Curriculum! Each grade level course includes a Student Book (contains instructional texts and worksheets), video lessons, and a novel. Emphasizes reading analysis and comprehension. Each level highlights 4 different genres. Grades 7-9 span fiction, nonfiction, a specific novel, and poetry. Grades 10-12 study fiction, drama, a specific novel, and poetry. All grades utilize video teaching, assignments, optional extended activities, and assessments. Learn more: https://www.rainbowresource.com/essentials-in-literature Can be ordered through SPCA Vendor Rainbow Resource.

WRITING

EIW	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
(Essentials in	3-12	Print with Video Lessons		
Writing)				Sutter Peak
Sutter Peak Recommended				CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

SPCA Curriculum! Video-based, self-study writing course that teaches how to use the writing process to produce different writing formats in a systematic, step-by-step approach. Combination of short videos demonstrations/lessons, worksheet exercises and prompts to learn the fundamentals of writing, grammar and mechanics from sentences and paragraphs up to essays. EIW scoring service as an additional cost for students to submit their work for professional scoring. https://essentialsinwriting.com/ Can be ordered through SPCA vendor Rainbow Resource.

SUPPLEMENTAL SPELLING

Evan-Moor	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Sutter Peak Recommended	2 - 6	Printed Materials	\$	Yes

All-inclusive program, scripted, pacing guides, includes all Language Arts components, excellent for students who struggle with reading, choice of manuscript or cursive starting in Kindergarten, "Help Me Choose" option or PDF Flow chart aid parents in choosing the starting point for students. https://www.logicofenglish.com/

MULTI-SUBJECT PROGRAMS WITH ELA COMPONENT

Bright Thinker	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-12	Online OR Workbooks	\$\$\$\$	Yes

Online curriculum in nearly every subject at every grade level (including electives), with the option to use the print version of the course in workbook format (i.e., the online courses and workbooks present the same materials). Standards-aligned content, mastery-based approach, instruction through videos and tutorials. Students learn by reading the content (there are no videos). Not recommended below 5th grade, esp. for ELA and math. \$295 for 12-month license for unlimited online courses. https://brightthinker.com/curriculum/

Moving Beyond	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
the Page	TK-8	Printed Materials	\$\$\$\$	Yes
		Online		

All-inclusive program, (TK-2nd grade need to purchase additional Reading/Phonics program to make program all-inclusive) https://www.movingbeyondthepage.com/purchase/reading.aspx) Scripted instruction, thematic units, project-based learning, multi-sensory approach (Orton-Gillingham based), pacing guides, literature based, writing, incorporates multiple subjects. Online available. https://www.movingbeyondthepage.com/

Book Shark	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-10	Printed Materials	\$\$\$\$	Yes
		Online Resources		

All-inclusive program when you purchase their Language Arts program. Suggested readers and other suggested components depending upon grade level (phonics for younger grades, spelling/grammar/vocabulary for older grades). Literature based, integrated around historical themes, weekly overviews, daily lesson plans, scripted instruction, and grading rubrics. Larger packages available to incorporate multiple subjects. https://www.bookshark.com/

Primary Arts of	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Language: Reading	K-1	Printed Materials	\$-\$\$\$	No
& Writing				

All-inclusive program when both the Reading and Writing programs are used. Poetry based, phonics instruction, sight words, uses games, word cards, and stickers, printable decodables, suggests real books for reading material, DVD instruction for parents, scripted lessons and pacing guide. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.)

Time4Learning	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-12	Online	\$\$\$\$	Yes

All-inclusive program. Online through videos and tutorials. Parents have a login to set up student lesson plans and assignments as well as access records of student work. Can select default grade-level courses or customize for student's needs. In the lower levels: phonics, reading skills, comprehension, grammar and vocabulary. In the upper levels: reading comprehension and fluency as well as the study of word roots, literary analysis and critical thinking replace phonics. Writing is through a built-in component called Odyssey Writer for students in third grade and above. SPCA vendor. https://www.time4learning.com/

McRuffy	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-5	Printed Materials	\$\$\$	Yes

All-inclusive program. Scripted parent manual. Handwriting choices are traditional, manuscript or cursive. Leveled/decodables (TK-2nd grade), anthology and chapter books (2nd-5th grades), phonics, & reading. Resource pack includes: word family sliders, board games, etc. Suggestions of how to teach phonemic awareness using multi-sensory approach. Diagnostic test available online, pacing guide, grammar, spelling, writing, and progress monitoring weekly. https://mcruffy.com/

Edmentum	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Courseware	6-12	Online	\$	
Sutter Peak Recommended				Sutter Peak CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

SPCA curriculum! All-inclusive program. Online instruction, with readings and/or videos for each lesson, text to speech, and pacing within the program. Guided notes can be printed and added to throughout each unit and used on the assessments. Glossary of terms for each unit. SPCA Teacher scores written submissions. Graduated writing instruction and can be adjusted for student needs. All Independent Study students take their courses through Courseware.

https://www.edmentum.com/products/courseware

Phonics/Reading Programs

All About Reading	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-4	Printed Materials	\$\$	Yes

Phonics instruction, decodable books, Step-by-step parent manual, scripted parent book, multi-sensory phonics, online placement tests, All About Spelling can be added after completing level 1, Level 4 works on comprehension and fluency. SPCA Vendor. \$\$ https://www.allaboutlearningpress.com/all-about-reading/

Zoo Phonics	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-1	Printed Materials	\$\$\$\$	Yes

Teaches the alphabet, phonemic awareness, rhyming, sound blending, reading, spelling and writing, multi-sensory instruction. Supplement with decodable readers. https://zoo-phonics.com/

Hooked on Phonics	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-2	Printed Materials	\$	No
		Online Resources		

Multi-sensory approach to reading instruction, can purchase the essential learn to read bundle which covers all 8 levels from TK-2nd grade or each individual level, DVD/online component, decodable readers, online subscription available. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) \$ https://shop.hookedonphonics.com/shop

Explode the Code	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-3	Workbooks	\$	No
		Online		

Workbooks or online phonics instruction, Levels A, B, & C teach all letters and sounds, each level focuses on selected phonetic concepts with the ½ levels offered for additional instruction if students don't master levels. Supplement with decodable readers. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.)

https://www.explodethecode.com/01 overview/

Teach Your Child to	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Read in 100 Easy	K-1	Book	\$	No
Lessons				

Phonics instruction in one book, scripted, uses forty-four different letter formations to create a regular alphabet to simplify the decoding process for beginning readers, easy to use program, practice stories are entertaining, printed in black and white. Supplement with decodable readers. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) https://startreading.com/

Phonics Pathways	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-2	Book	\$	No

Complete phonics program, self-contained within one large book, scripted, options for multi-sensory instruction. Supplement with decodable readers. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) \$

https://cathyduffyreviews.com/homeschool-reviews-core-curricula/phonics-reading/phonics-reading-programs/phonics-pathways-tenth-edition

Primary Phonics	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-2	Printed Materials	\$-\$\$	No

Systematic, phonics-based early reading program, skills-based workbooks and storybooks. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendor Rainbow Resource. \$-\$\$ https://www.rainbowresource.com/category.jhtm?cid=795

Decodable/Leveled Readers

Bob Books	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-1	Books	\$	No

Beginning readers are phonetically organized with controlled vocabulary, interesting short stories, 12 books per set, sight word readers available. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) https://bobbooks.com/

Itty Bitty Phonics	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Readers	K-1	Books	\$	No

Black-line readers provide interesting short stories to reinforce beginning phonics skills, each set contains 6 readers focusing on a particular skill. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendor Rainbow Resource.

\$https://www.rainbowresource.com/product/019019/Itty-Bitty-Phonics-Readers-Variety-Pack-36-b.html?

Reading A-Z	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-4	Printable Materials	\$\$	No

Download and print decodable readers, leveled readers, fluency passages, reading worksheets and more, one year subscription. https://www.learninga-z.com/site/products/readinga-z/overview

Raz Kids	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	TK-4	Online	\$\$	No

Online access to billions of leveled readers, students progress to the next level upon successful completion of assigned level, higher levels offer quizzes for reading comprehension with digital reporting for parents, built in star incentive/reward system, one year subscription. https://www.learninga-z.com/site/products/raz-kids/overview

Writing

No Red Ink	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	3-12	Online	\$	
				Sutter Peak
				CHARTER ACADEMY CURRICULUM

Online grammar and writing program. Offers fluency practice and essay prompts, plus skill building modules that target writing and grammar skills. Scaffolding provided at the paragraph and essay level for certain prompts. Diagnostic test to identify targeted skill lessons is available. Students begin by selecting their interests; grammar exercises will then feature those interests. Note: SPCA Teacher must operate the program which includes creating classes, making and monitoring assignments, and providing feedback. https://www.noredink.com/

Thoughtful	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Learning	K-12	Handbooks	\$	No
		Skills books		

Writing handbooks cover all writing genres, provide instruction and practice in each step of the writing process, colorful handbooks which are interesting for each grade level, student examples of grade level writing, SkillsBooks can be purchased to provide grammar instruction alongside the writing program, recommended to begin instruction in the "Forms of Writing" section and use the first section, "Process of Writing" for reference or remediation when needed. https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/resources/books#english-language-arts-(k-12)

Brave Writer	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-12	Printable Materials	\$-\$\$\$	Yes
		Online		

Addresses natural stages of growth in writing, instructs parents to teach writing, emphasis on literary elements, encourages enjoyment of writing, can be combined with their Language Arts components to provide an all-inclusive Language Arts program (may need to supplement with reading comprehension) including reading, grammar, spelling and writing, online courses available. https://bravewriter.com/

Structure and Style	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
for Students (IEW)	3-12	Printed Materials	\$-\$\$\$	No
		Online		

Published by Institute for Excellence in Writing, key word outlines, prescribed and creative content, the levels span several grades and include instructional videos (forever streamed or DVDs) which teach composition, vocabulary and spelling, scripted teacher's manual and student binder, larger packages include "Fit It! Grammar" course, and access to the Teaching Writing: Structure and Style (TWSS) seminar for parents to learn how to confidently teach writing, individual IEW writing units available for experienced IEW students. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) https://iew.com/

Draw Write Now	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-2	Workbooks	\$	No

Combine art instruction with handwriting practice using these books, step-by-step drawing instruction with manuscript text for copying, informational text with questions used to inspire discussion, suggested to purchase blank top writing paper or *My Illustrated Story Journals* to complete work in. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) https://www.drawyourworld.com/

Spectrum Writing	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	K-8	Workbooks	\$	No

Creative and expository writing skills. Each book has 8 units focusing on main ideas, sequence, comparisons, details, facts and opinions, case and effect, making a point, and point of view. Teaches and provides practice in the writing process. Students can generally work through these books independently. Answer key included. Can be ordered through SPCA Vendors (i.e., A Brighter Child, Rainbow Resource, etc.) https://www.rainbowresource.com/category/1981/Spectrum-Writing-2015.html

Literary Analysis

Literature/Novel	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Units	2-12	Workbooks	\$	No
		Printable Materials		

Comprehensive literature study units cover one novel per book. Include pre-reading activities, vocabulary, comprehension questions, literary elements, characterization, etc. A Brighter Child has a huge selection to look through. You can also find novel units at Teacher Pay Teachers, Amazon, Rainbow Resource, etc. https://www.rainbowresource.com/category/1170/Novel-Units-Literature-Guides.html

Supplemental Reading/Fluency Practice

IXL	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Sutter Peak Recommended	K-12	Online	Free	Sutter Peak CHARLER ACADEMY

Personalized language arts (and math) instruction with practice, based on online diagnostics test and NWEA Map results. Although the website says it is a comprehensive curriculum, Sutter Peak students can access the ELA and Math as a supplement to their ELA curriculum for personalized support. https://www.ixl.com/

Lexia	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Sutter Peak Recommended	K-5	Online	Free	Sutter Peak

Differentiated reading and fluency practice for students. Targets skill gaps as they emerge, engages and motivates students in a game-like environment, provides progress-monitoring student data for teachers. SPCA Online program requested by teacher. https://www.lexialearning.com/products/core5

Reading Eggs	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
Reading Eggspress	TK-6	Online	Free	
Fast Phonics				Sutter Peak
Sutter Peak Recommended				

Supplemental practice in phonemic awareness and phonics (Fast Phonics), phonics and fluency (Reading Eggs) reading real books, improving spelling skills and building reading comprehension (Reading Eggspress) in an interesting and engaging format. SPCA Online program requested by teacher. https://readingeggs.com/

Florida Fluency	Grades	Format	Cost	Vendor
	1-5	Printable Materials	Free	NA

Fluency practice using timed reading passages to increase fluency speed, accuracy and comprehension, teacher can download the packet from Sharepoint or click on this link https://sesccoop.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/ORF-OPM grs1-5.pdf

Grammar

Easy Grammar www.easygrammar.com

Fit-It Grammar https://iew.com/taxonomy/term/17/?f%5B0%5D=im field category%3A17

Evan Moor- Grammar and Punctuation https://www.evan-moor.com/search?q=grammar&adv=true

Thoughtful Learning Skillsbooks https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/resources/skillsbook

Spelling

Spelling Power https://www.thespellingpower.com/

Spelling Mastery https://www.mheducation.com/prek-12/program/spelling-mastery/MKTSP-UTC03M0.html?page=1&sortby=title&order=asc&bu=seg

MCP Spelling Workout https://www.rainbowresource.com/category/1879/MCP-Spelling-Workout-2001-Ed..html

Evan Moor Building Spelling Skills or Daily Oral Language https://www.evan-moor.com/language?specs=1509,1931

Sequential Spelling https://www.sequentialspelling.com/index2.php

Houghton-Mifflin Spelling and Vocabulary

https://www.amazon.com/s?k=houghton+mifflin+spelling+and+vocabulary&crid=KTH93XULNP7W&sprefix=houghton+mifflin+spelling%2Caps%2C231&ref=nb sb ss ts-doa-p 10 25

^{**}More in-depth reviews of most of the curriculums on this guide at www.cathyduffyreviews.com