Curriculum Guide ISHR

Grades 3 and 4

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Mission Statement

The International School Hannover Region is committed to providing a **high- quality, international education** within a **creative** and **caring** environment to enable its students to become life-long learners and open-minded, compassionate citizens.

Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.

Benjamin Franklin

Overview of the Primary Years Programme (PYP) At ISHR

The International School Hannover Region is an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) School, offering the Primary Years Programme (PYP) of the IB. This is an international curriculum framework designed for children between the ages of 3 and 12 years. The program focuses on the total growth of the developing child, addressing social, physical, emotional and cultural needs in addition to academic welfare. The PYP combines the best research and practice from a range of national systems with a wealth of knowledge and experience from international schools to create a relevant and engaging educational program. The program offers a comprehensive, inquiry based approach to teaching and learning. It provides an internationally designed model for concurrency in learning and incorporates guidelines on student learning styles, teaching methodologies and assessment strategies. The curriculum framework is an expression and extension of three inter-related questions:

- What do we want to learn?
- How best will we learn?
- How will we know what we have learned?"

The aims of the PYP are expressed as a series of desired attributes and dispositions that characterize successful students. This is the kind of student who we hope will graduate from PYP schools, the kind of person we would an internationally minded citizen. Central to this definition are the attributes exemplified in the learner profile.

The Primary Years Programme strives for a balance between the search for understanding, the acquisition of essential knowledge and skills, the development of positive attitudes and the opportunity for positive action. The PYP encourages students to become independent learners, and encourages them to make connections between life in school, life at home and life in the world.
The School encourages students to:

- Develop a strong set of problem solving strategies
- To think critically
- Develop knowledge and skills to apply to new situations or tasks
- Continue to question throughout their lives
- Develop a sense of international mindedness
- Take action as a result of the learning process.

Students will:

- Learn through inquiry
- Build on prior knowledge
- Work individually, with a partner and in groups
- Be listened to
- Be curious, be inquisitive, ask questions, explore and interact with the environment physically, socially and intellectually

- be supported in their journey to become independent, autonomous learners
- learn through differentiated experiences which accommodate for the range of abilities and learning styles

The IB PYP Learner Profile

The aim of all IB programmes is to develop internationally minded people by **encouraging students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.** (From the IB Mission Statement) learners, including members of staff strive to be:

Inquirers:
We nurture our curiosity, developing skills for inquiry and research. We know how to learn independently and with others. We learn with enthusiasm and sustain our love of learning throughout life.

Knowledgeable
We develop and use conceptual understanding, exploring knowledge across a range of disciplines. We engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance.

Thinkers
We use critical and creative thinking skills to analyse and take responsible action on complex problems. We exercise initiative in making reasoned, ethical decisions.

Communicators
We express ourselves confidently and creatively in more than one language and in many ways. We collaborate effectively, listening carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.

Principled
We act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness and justice, and with respect for the dignity and rights of people everywhere. We take responsibility for our actions and their consequences.

Open-Minded
We critically appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, as well as the values and traditions of others. We seek and evaluate a range of points of view, and we are willing to grow from the experience.

Caring
We show empathy, compassion and respect. We have a commitment to service, and we act to make a positive difference in the lives of others and in the world around us.

Courageous
We approach uncertainty with forethought and determination; we work independently and cooperatively to explore new ideas and innovative strategies. We are resourceful and resilient in the face of challenges and change.

Balanced
We understand the importance of balancing different aspects of our lives; intellectual, physical, (spiritual) and emotional—to achieve well-being for ourselves and others. We recognize our interdependence with other people and with the world in which we live.

Curriculum Framework

The aim of the PYP, to create a curriculum that is engaging, relevant, challenging and significant, is achieved through structured inquiry and the development of five essential elements: **knowledge, concepts, attitudes, skills** and **action**.

Knowledge: What do we want students to know?

While the PYP acknowledges the importance of traditional subject areas (language, mathematics, social studies, science, personal, social and physical education, and arts), it also recognizes the importance of acquiring a set of skills in context and of exploring content which transcends the boundaries of the traditional subjects and is relevant to students. The PYP has six transdisciplinary themes that provide the framework for learning. These themes are globally significant and support the acquisition of knowledge, concepts and skills of the traditional subjects. They are revisited throughout the students' time in the PYP. At the heart of the Primary Years Programme's philosophy is a commitment to structured inquiry as an ideal vehicle for learning. Teachers and students are guided by a series of transdisciplinary themes that are significant to children and have a local and global meaning.

Our Mixed-Kindergarten students complete four Units of Inquiry each year, two of which always fall under the "Who we are" and "How we Express ourselves" transdisciplinary theme.

The PYP Transdisciplinary Themes are:

Who we are	An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health, human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.
Where we are in place and time	An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.
How we express ourselves	An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.
How the world works	An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.
How we organize ourselves	An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact of humankind and the environment.
Sharing the planet	An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationship within and between them; access to equal opportunities;

From Senior Kindergarten to Grade 5, students complete six Units of Inquiry each year, one unit from each of the six themes.

Concepts: What do we want students to understand?

The following key concepts are used to support and structure the inquiries. The exploration of concepts leads to a deeper understanding and allows students to transfer knowledge learned in one area of the curriculum to another.

Form	**What is it like?** The understanding that everything has a form with recognizable features that can be observed, identified, described and categorized.
Function	**How does it work?** The understanding that everything has a purpose, a role or a way of behaving that can be investigated.
Causation	**Why is it like it is?** The understanding that things do not just happen, that there are causal relationships at work and that actions have consequences.
Change	**How is it changing?** The understanding that change is the process of movement from one state to another. It is universal and inevitable.
Connection	**How is it connected to other things?** The understanding that we live in a world of interacting systems in which the actions of any individual element affect others.
Perspective	**What are the points of view?** The understanding that knowledge is moderated by perspectives; different perspectives lead to different interpretations, understandings and findings; perspectives may be individual, group, cultural or disciplinary.
Responsibility	**What is our responsibility?** The understanding that people make choices based on their understandings, and the actions they take as a result do make a difference.
Reflection	**How do we know?** The understanding that there are different ways of knowing and that it is important to reflect on our conclusions, to consider our methods of reasoning and the quality and the reliability of the evidence we have considered.

Attitudes

These are characteristics that are expressions of fundamental values, beliefs, and feelings about learning, the environment, and people.

Appreciation: Appreciating the wonder and beauty of the world and its people.

Commitment: Being committed to their own learning, persevering and showing self-discipline and responsibility.

Confidence: Feeling confident in their ability as learners, having the courage to take risks, applying what they have learned and making appropriate decisions and choices.

Cooperation: Cooperating, collaborating, and leading or following as the situation demands.

Creativity: Being creative and imaginative in their thinking and in their approach to problems and dilemmas.

Curiosity: Being curious about the nature of learning, about the world, its people and cultures.

Empathy: Imagining themselves in another's situation in order to understand his or her reasoning and emotions, so as to be open-minded and reflective about the perspectives of others.

Enthusiasm: Enjoying learning and willingly putting the effort into the process.

Independence: Thinking and acting independently, making their own judgments based on reasoned argument, and being able to defend their judgments.

Integrity: Being honest and demonstrating a considered sense of fairness.

Respect: Respecting themselves, others and the world around them.

Tolerance: Being sensitive about differences and diversity in the world and being responsive to the needs of others.

Action

These are demonstrations of positive action and service. Students are encouraged to reflect, choose wisely, and to act responsibly with their peers, school staff, and in the wider community. The action component involves service in the widest sense, to fellow students, friends, family, and the community. Through such service, students are able to grow socially and personally, developing skills such as cooperation, problem solving, conflict resolution and creative and critical thinking. Action can happen in a small way but arises from genuine concern and commitment. Action as a result of learning often happens beyond the classroom, and teachers at ISHR are always keen to know about action that the students take outside of school.

Approaches to Learning (Formerly Transdisciplinary Skills)

Skills are those things the students need to be able to do to succeed in a changing, challenging world. The PYP identifies sets of "transdisciplinary" skills that are relevant and applicable to all disciplines. Outlined below, they are acquired through the process of structured inquiry within and across all disciplines.

Thinking Skills	The acquisition of knowledge, comprehension, application, analysis, synthesis, evaluation, dialectical thought, and metacognition.
Research Skills:	Formulating questions, observing, planning, collecting and recording data, organizing and interpreting data, and presenting research findings.
Communication Skills:	Listening, speaking, reading, writing, and non-verbal communication.
Self-Management Skills:	Gross and fine motor skills, spatial awareness, organization, time management, safety, a healthy Lifestyle, codes of behavior and making informed choices.
Social Skills:	Accepting responsibility, respecting others, cooperating, resolving conflict, group decision making, and adopting a variety of group roles.

Lower Primary

The Lower Primary programme at ISHR builds competent learners capable of building their own meaning. It provides a framework that supports them as active learners and inquirers, providing a sound beginning to the continuum of learning that goes on throughout the school. Young children need extended periods of time and as much space as possible to explore, investigate, and play with a variety of materials, in order to learn about themselves, other people, and the world around them. The school environment has a range of clearly defined areas to encourage exploration, investigation and play, both in and out of doors. In all, the Lower Primary program creates an environment that does the following:

- Emphasizes developmentally appropriate and engaging activities;
- Facilitates learning as an interactive process;
- Enables the initiating of inquiry, wondering, and the asking of questions;
- Enables active exploration and interaction with adults, other children, and materials;
- Encourages children to work collaboratively with others; — emphasizes language, activity, and movement;
- Facilitates hands-on, play-oriented opportunities for learning;
- Provides a safe and nurturing environment;
- Promotes the physical, social, creative, emotional, and cognitive development of young children.
- Sustains children's interests and extends their knowledge and understanding;

- Provides opportunities for children to choose from a variety of activities, materials, and equipment in flexible and imaginative ways;
- Enables children to make choices and decisions;
- Provides a balance of rest and active movement, including outdoor experiences.

The PYP curriculum in the Lower Primary years is used in a developmentally appropriate way; it takes into account what young children should do and learn on the basis of what is best for their development in the long term, rather than simply on the basis of what works in the short term. This developmental approach takes into account the following:
- The characteristics, capabilities, and interests that are appropriate to the age group;
- The different rates at which children learn and the wide range of normal variation which can occur in an age group;
- That learning is a balance between the intellectual, the social, and the personal; each is important and each is interlinked with the others;
- That the maturity of each child depends on the sequence of developmental stages the child has already gone through and the effects of earlier experiences. The flexibility available in the program for the early years allows teachers to support children's interests, build their self-esteem and confidence, and respond to spontaneous events, as well as support the development of skills in all cognitive areas in ways that are significant and relevant.

Curriculum Areas Overview

Language Arts

Language is fundamental to learning, thinking and communicating. Structured, purposeful inquiry is the main approach to teaching and learning language in the PYP although other teaching strategies and styles may also be used. Language is developed across the whole curriculum and as a result all teachers at ISHR are language teachers, who model and teach the use of language. Learning takes place in authentic contexts, and literature plays a special role in enabling this to happen. Students learn language when they are using it through speaking, listening, reading and writing in order to understand and express ideas. Teachers provide opportunities for this to happen in a safe and stimulating environment in order to encourage risk-taking and learning. Our aim is to develop students' ability to express themselves fluently, confidently and accurately in oral, written and visual communication systems.
Language Strands
• Oral communication: listening and speaking
• Written communication: reading and writing
• Visual communication: viewing and presenting

German

Students learn or improve language skills in the areas of understanding, speaking, reading and writing German according to the student's grade level and to their previous knowledge; students develop or refine and build on reading and writing skills in German. Vocabulary, language structures, and research into the PYP units of inquiry are integrated in the German program according to the student's level.
Students in Senior Kindergarden to Grade 5 have four sessions of German per week.
Beginner German students learn the vocabulary needed to communicate with their teachers and peers in everyday situations. A number of interactive activities are employed which encourage the development of listening comprehension and oral expression in a natural, enjoyable way. They also begin reading and writing in German. For continuing German students, the program promotes the further development of these skills.

Mathematics

Mathematics in the PYP is primarily viewed as a vehicle to support inquiry, providing a global language through which we make sense of the world around us. Mathematics is taught in relevant, realistic contexts. In this way, students begin to use mathematics as a way of thinking, rather than seeing it as a series of facts and equations to be memorized. Our aim is to develop students who are fluent in the language of mathematics and can apply their knowledge and understanding to real world situations.

Mathematical Strands
- Data handling
- Measurement
- Shape and space
- Pattern and function
- Number

Science

In the PYP, science is viewed as the exploration of the behaviors of, and the interrelationships among, the natural, physical and material worlds. Science in the curriculum encourages curiosity, develops an understanding of the world and enables students to develop a sense of responsibility regarding the impact of their actions on themselves, others and the world. Students actively construct and challenge their understanding of the world around them by combining scientific knowledge with reasoning and thinking skills. The scientific process, by encouraging hands-on experience and inquiry, enables the student to make informed and responsible decisions. Our aim is to develop scientific concepts and knowledge through hypothesizing, making accurate observations and thinking critically about findings.

Science Strands
- Living things
- Earth and space
- Materials and matter
- Forces and energy

Social Studies

In the PYP, social studies is viewed as the study of people in relation to their past, their present and their future, their environment and their society. The social studies curriculum encourages curiosity and develops an understanding of a rapidly changing world. Students develop an understanding of their personal and cultural identities through social studies, as well as the skills and knowledge needed to participate actively in their classroom, their school, their community and the world: to understand themselves in relation to their community. Our aim is to develop students' understanding of the world around them, historical and geographical influences and the role of individuals in communities.

Social Studies strands
- Human systems and economic activities

- Social organization and culture
- Continuity and change through time
- Human and natural environments
- Resources and the environment

Personal and Social Education

PSE in the PYP is concerned with the individual's well-being through the promotion and development of concepts, knowledge, attitudes and skills that contribute to this well-being. Well-being is intrinsically linked to **all aspects** of a student's experience at school and beyond and as such all teachers are responsible for it. It encompasses physical, emotional, cognitive, spiritual and social health and development, and contributes to an understanding of self, to developing and maintaining relationships with others, and to participation in an active, healthy lifestyle.

For example:

- Students will develop an awareness of their self-identity and their strengths and weaknesses.
- They will show self-confidence and self-worth.
- They will learn to recognize, communicate and manage their own feelings and emotions.
- They will reflect on their own abilities and behavior and will set achievable personal goals.
- Students will show awareness of and take responsibility for the choices they make to maintain a healthy lifestyle.
- They will develop a sense of safety and an ability to protect themselves.
- Students will develop social skills when interacting with others in different situations, and they will develop and maintain appropriate relationships.
- They will recognize and deal appropriately with conflict situations.

Arts

Arts are integral to the PYP. They are a powerful mode of communication through which students explore and construct a sense of self and develop an understanding of the world around them. Arts provide students with a wide range of opportunities and means to respond to their experiences and engage with historical, social and cultural perspectives. The students are stimulated to think and to articulate their thoughts in new ways and through a variety of media and technologies. The PYP recognizes that not all learning can be supported solely through language and that arts as a medium of inquiry also provide opportunities for learning, communication and expression. Learning about and through arts is fundamental to the development of the whole child, promoting creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving skills and social interactions.

Music

Music is an integral part of the educational life at our school and we strive to inspire and nurture the love of music in each child. Students learn the necessary skills to fully express themselves in this important discipline of the Arts during weekly music lessons. Music is often incorporated into specific units of Inquiry, where it can be featured as a transdisciplinary or alternative means of communication.

Art

All primary students attend a specialized art class once per week. In classes, students will become more aware of their own interests and preferences in Art by responding to artists and art works as well as creating their own designs and art works. They will experiment with a variety of tools, materials and techniques. Students will show confidence in choosing tools and materials that are appropriate for their artwork. They will make initial sketches and become aware that artwork requires thought, planning, effort and revision. Students will be exposed to and will respond to artifacts and artworks of varied cultural origins. They will become familiar with reflection and how to appreciate their own and others' artworks.

PYP Exhibition

Toward the end of each school year the **Grade 5** students participate in the PYP Exhibition. The PYP Exhibition provides the culminating experience of the learner's engagement with the PYP. It unites the teachers, learners, and parents of a class in an activity that captures the essence of the PYP being a transdisciplinary inquiry conducted in a spirit of personal and shared responsibility. It marks a rite of passage, both symbolic and actual, from PYP to the Middle School. Most importantly it is a celebration; an event which synthesizes all that is best in the PYP and shares this with the whole community.

The exhibition should represent a significant event in the life of the school; encapsulating the essence of the PYP. Each group/individual works with a mentor, who is usually a teacher or faculty member within the school community. Over a series of weeks, students go through the inquiry process; investigating, analyzing, synthesizing and sharing their information in creative ways to prepare for an evening presentation to the wider community. This presentation includes both an insight into the knowledge and understandings they have gained from their inquiry as well as an overview of the process they went through as they collaborated.

Library

The library is viewed as the hub of a PYP School in which students develop essential information and literacy skills by accessing a range of media and texts. We believe that our library plays a vital role in lives of the children by:

- Promoting information literacy and encouraging a lifelong love for reading, viewing and listening;
- Ensuring that students and staff are effective, critical and ethical users of ideas and information.

Instructional units based on library skills, information literacy and literature are taught when possible in the context of lessons, projects and the units of inquiry. Lessons are planned to meet the needs and abilities of each grade level.

Physical Education

Through Physical Education in the PYP, students are learning the "language" of physical movement, exploring the skills associated with the different areas of PE. Physical activity is an essential aspect of a balanced, healthy lifestyle and learning through PE helps build self-esteem, confidence, cooperation and fitness. Our aim is to stimulate students' awareness of their own physical fitness and to simultaneously develop an interest and appreciation of sport.

We encourage our students to care about their physical fitness and to develop an understanding and appreciation of the importance of an active, healthy, and safety conscious lifestyle. Students will be exposed to fitness activities to promote an individual desire to be physically active throughout life; fostering enjoyment, developing self-confidence and social competencies.

Information Communication Technology (ICT)

In the PYP, the ever-increasing impact of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) on teaching and learning is recognized. The use of technologies is integrated as much as possible into student inquiries. ICT provides opportunities for the enhancement of learning, and may significantly support students in their inquiries, and in developing their conceptual understanding. At ISHR, technology is considered as a tool for learning, albeit with its own set of skills, as opposed to an additional subject area.

Use of ICT:

- Documents the learning, making it available to all parties
- Provides opportunities for rapid feedback and reflection
- Provides opportunities to enhance authentic learning
- Provides access to a broad range of sources of information
- Provides students with a range of tools to store, organize and present their learning
- Encourages and allows for communication with a wide-ranging audience.

Our vision interprets technology as a natural and essential part of everyday school life for all members of our school community. Technology empowers and inspires students to develop critical thinking skills and supports continuous inquiry.

English as an Additional Language

Our English as an Additional Language program is designed to provide academic and social support for non-native speakers of English. The primary purpose of the program is to ensure that all students become proficient in English and achieve academic success. The EAL program helps students participate in mainstream classes to the best of their language proficiency. Therefore, language skills and strategies are integrated with content area and subject matter whenever possible. Based on the latest research regarding language and cognitive development, parents are encouraged to help their children maintain and develop their mother tongues. The diverse linguistic and rich cultural backgrounds brought to our school by the non-native English speakers enrich the learning opportunities for all students.

Students who are beginning learners of English need intensive support in order to:
- Learn basic survival English
- Become oriented into a new school culture
- Alleviate anxiety and frustration
- Progress from basic survival English to more complex forms of academic communication to allow for success in mainstream classes
- Develop confidence and independence
- Receive appropriate academic and social support

Students who are learning English are offered support in their individualized classes or through support in the mainstream classes to further develop their language.

Mother Tongue Language Maintenance

Research indicates that students benefit academically, socially and emotionally when they are encouraged to develop and maintain proficiency in their first language while they are learning English. Language skills and conceptual understanding are readily transferable from one language to another, provided there are no learning exceptionalities. The first language provides a foundation for developing proficiency in additional languages serves as a basis for emotional development and provides a vital link with the student's family and cultural background. A strong foundation in the first language can also help students to:
- Readily reintegrate into their home country
- Developmental flexibility
- Develop problem-solving skills
- Make connection between previous learning and new learning
- Communicate fully with family members
- Experience a sense of cultural stability and continuity
- Understand cultural and family values
- Develop awareness of global issues

Learning Support

At ISHR we have a rich variety of students with intellectual, physical, social, emotional, linguistic and other special learning characteristics, mirroring the multi-faceted world in which we live. Learning Support may include in-class learning support, individual or small group instruction, monitoring of students in the mainstream, and support for teachers in terms of differentiated instruction, accommodations and modifications of curricular programs. The nature and scope of such differentiated instruction varies with the age, diagnosis and abilities of the student.

Assessment

ISHR recognizes that teaching and learning, and the assessment of that learning, are fundamentally interdependent. Assessment is carried out in order to:

- Build up a clear picture of the student and his or her abilities and interests;
- Identify what and how the student is thinking and learning;
- Assess the effectiveness of the environment on the student's learning;
- Extend the student's learning.

Students:

- Have differing learning styles
- Have different cultural experiences, expectations and needs
- Perform differently according to the context of learning
- See self-assessment and peer assessment as a natural part of the learning process
- Need to know their achievements and areas for improvement in the learning process
- Should receive feedback that is honest, fair, positive and constructive

At ISHR, we promote the use of a range of assessment tools and strategies that are designed to give a clear picture of a student's prior knowledge and progress. Examples of these include anecdotal records, checklists, portfolios, continuums and rubrics.

Conferences and Report Cards

Parents, teachers and students are all viewed as partners in learning. Parent-teacher conferences and student-led conferences and report cards are used throughout the year as a means of informing students and parents of learning and progress. Parents are expected to attend all of the conferences. Parents are always welcome to arrange conferences at school and, likewise, the school may initiate a conference with parents at any time during the year. Student-led conferences are held once a year and are an opportunity for students to share their learning with their parents/carers. Students will share their portfolios during this time and also show their parents/carers around their class/school. All parents/carers and students are encouraged to attend student-led conferences.

Report cards are published twice a year to inform you of your child's progress in all subjects. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's report card, please do not hesitate to speak to the teacher concerned.

Parent Workshops

The beliefs, values and approaches of the PYP can be different compared to the curriculum that many families are used to. For this reason, ISHR believes strongly in communicating both the theory and the practices of the PYP. Parent workshops are organised throughout the year for parents to attend and learn more about the programme. Overall curriculum expectations for each grade level are sent to parents in monthly newsletters. In addition we publish a number of newsletters throughout the year explaining various aspects of the PYP programme.

Portfolios

Students in the PYP create a portfolio based on a range of experiences and curriculum areas. The portfolio is a collection of work selected by the students and teachers and is a record of student's involvement in learning. It is designed to demonstrate success, growth, thinking skills, creativity, assessment strategies and reflection. It is a celebration of each student's active mind at work and provides a picture of progress and development over a period of time. Portfolios enable students to reflect with teachers, parents and peers in order to identify their strengths and growth as well as to identify further goals for development in a variety of areas both academic and social emotional

German as an Additional Language Scope and Sequence – (Please note: This scope and sequence pertains to all grade levels and children enter upon it at different phases according to their already existing ability)

Listening

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Conceptual Understandings • Spoken words connect us with others. • People listen and speak to share thoughts and feelings. • People ask questions to learn from others.	**Conceptual Understandings** • The sounds of language are a symbolic way of representing ideas and objects. • People communicate using different languages. • Everyone has the right to speak and be listened to.	**Conceptual Understandings** • Spoken language varies according to the purpose and audience. • People interpret messages according to their unique experiences and ways of understanding. • Spoken communication is different from written communication—it has its own set of rules.	**Conceptual Understandings** • Taking time to reflect on what we hear and say helps us to make informed judgments and form new opinions. • Thinking about the perspective of our audience helps us to communicate more effectively and appropriately. The grammatical structures of a language enable members of a language community to communicate with each other.
Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Level 4**
Listens attentively to others and responds with actions or words Understands and follows oral directions Follows classroom instructions	Listens attentively to more than one literacy form (stories and poems) Listens attentively to others and provides feedback in small and large group interactions Follows three step directions	Listens attentively to and understands a variety of literacy forms (oral presentations, stories, poems, drama), identifies a specific purpose Demonstrates active listening by asking questions in a variety of situations	Demonstrates active listening by summarizing and identifying the speaker's purpose, offering reflections, and interpreting the message Demonstrates active listening by participating appropriately as listener and speaker in a variety of situations

(left side vertical label: Active Listening)

Speaking

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Speaking: Speaks for a variety of purposes

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Responding in groups by following conversational rules	Express themselves with words and short sentences Begins to answer questions about e.g. themselves, family and friends, numbers and colors Begins to ask questions about e.g. themselves, family and friends, numbers and colors Begins to participate in basic conversations e.g. meeting and greeting	Takes turns as a listener and a speaker in a group Speaks in simple conversations with peers and adults Talks about e.g. about hobbies, family and friends, etc. Talks about e.g. subjects in school, activities in school, etc.	Listens, develops and presents ideas and opinions on familiar topics individually and in groups Engages in conversations and discussions e.g. explaining, sharing information, etc.	Listens, contributes ideas and seeks the ideas and opinions of others in a variety of situations Answers spontaneous questions in an informed, competent manner, making sure that listeners understand what is being said
Creative Dramatics	Joins in with poems, rhymes and songs	Dramatizes stories	Dramatizes non-fiction and fiction	Dramatizes non-fiction and fiction in various ways
Paraphrasing	Talks about self-created pictures and models	Presents ideas and information in a logical sequence	Retells story or event in own words	Maintains clear focus on details and/or main ideas Draws conclusions and summarizes

Public Speaking	Speaks about something connected to self or an item	Gives basic oral presentation	Prepares and delivers basic oral presentation to a familiar audience using appropriate pace and volume	Delivers prepared presentations using complete sentences, selecting and pronouncing words at an appropriate pace and volume Uses some multi-media tools to enhance oral presentations

Viewing and Presenting

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Conceptual Understandings • Visual language is all around us. • The pictures, images, and symbols in our environment have meaning. • We can enjoy and learn from visual language.	**Conceptual Understandings** • People use static and moving images to communicate ideas and information. • Visual texts can immediately gain our attention. • Viewing and talking about the images others have created helps us to understand and create our own presentations.	**Conceptual Understanding** • Visual texts can expand our database of sources of information. • Visual texts provide alternative means to develop new levels of understanding. • Selecting the most suitable forms of visual presentation enhances our ability to express ideas and images. • Different visual techniques produce different effects and are used to present different types of information.

Visual Language: Interprets, uses and constructs visuals and multimedia in a variety of situations

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Awareness of visual media	Recognizes familiar signs, labels and logos Makes personal connections to visual texts	Matches pictures with context Starts to discuss own feelings in response to visual messages Becomes aware and responds to visual cues	Connects visual information with own experiences to construct meaning Discusses own feelings in response to visual messages Begins to show empathy for the way others might feel Uses appropriate terminology in describing visual effects	Discusses personal experiences that connect with visual images Discusses own feelings in response to visual messages Listens to other's responses, realizing that people react differently Realizes effects are added for certain impact

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Using and constructing visual media in a variety of situations	Communicates and conveys understanding through play, gestures, and facial expressions

Uses color, size, and shapes in visual presentations | Uses play, gestures, facial expressions and discussion to communicate ideas and feelings

Starts to talk about illustrations in picture books and simple reference texts

Identifies different ways to present stories

Uses colors, shapes, symbols, and size in visual presentations | Uses actions and body language to add meaning to speaking

Explains that text and illustrations in reference materials work together to convey information

Realizes the meaning of and uses appropriately colors, shapes, symbols, and images in visual presentations

Develops visual presentation skills | Uses actions and body language to add meaning to oral presentations

Demonstrates that text and illustrations in reference materials work together to convey information

Realizes the meaning of and uses appropriately colors, shapes, symbols, and images in visual presentations

Applies basic knowledge of presentation techniques |

Reading

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Conceptual Understandings
• Illustrations convey meaning.
• Print conveys meaning.
• People read for pleasure.
• Stories can tell about imagined worlds.
• Printed information can tell about the real world.
• There are established ways of setting out print and organizing books.	**Conceptual Understandings**
• The sounds of spoken language can be represented visually.
• Written language works differently from spoken language.
• Consistent ways of recording words or ideas enable members of a language community to communicate.
• People read to learn.
• The words we see and hear enable us to create pictures in our minds.	**Conceptual Understanding**
• Different types of texts serve different purposes.
• What we already know enables us to understand what we read.
• Applying a range of strategies helps us to read and understand new texts.
• Wondering about texts and asking questions helps us to understand the meaning.
The structure and organization of written language influences and conveys meaning.
Word Recognition: Uses the general skills and strategies of the reading process		
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4

Pre-Reading Strategies	Knows that pictures convey meaning Demonstrates understanding of print concepts Uses emerging reading skills to make meaning from print	Reads a wordless picture book by predicting story events using illustrations and prior knowledge Understands letters do not change Names letters from different fonts	Uses illustrations and prior knowledge to predict	
Phonemic awareness	Hears and discriminates the sounds of language Plays with words that rhyme	Recognizes rhymes in simple texts Separates beginning and ending sounds in familiar words Manipulates basic sounds with connected rhyming words	Identifies rhymes in simple texts Separates up to 3 phonemes	Matches the spoken sounds to written spelling patterns and homophones Matches the spoken sounds to single letters and syllables as well as to specific letter combinations
Phonics	Demonstrates knowledge of the alphabet	Identifies single consonant and short vowel sounds Uses phonemic awareness to read CVC words Begins to understand sound-symbol relationships Recognizes familiar sound/symbol/words of the language community	Understands sound-symbol relationships Applies reliable phonetic strategies when decoding print (rhymes, word families) Identifies long vowel sounds and a variety of consonant digraphs and consonant blends	Applies reliable phonetic strategies when decoding print
Word Recognition	Recognizes own name and those of most members of the class Can differentiate between letters and words Reads the first 12 high frequency words and recognizes them in different contexts	Reads the 100 high frequency words independently Recognizes some Unit of Inquiry words	Reads 250 sight words including some Program of Inquiry words and technical language words	Recognizes words using contextual cues and sight vocabulary

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Strategies for Decoding	Recognizes shapes in letter formation and letters Identifies initial letters/sounds in own name and other's names Uses sounds to decode CVC words	Uses a variety of strategies to decode unknown words (picture clues, rereading, reading on, chunking, prior knowledge, sight words, comprehension, syllables, phonological awareness, self-correction)	Uses a variety of strategies to decode unknown words, including knowledge of common letter patterns	Recognizes new words by using a variety of decoding skills,
Fluency	Participates in shared reading, (rhymes, refrains and repeated text) Recognizes own first name	Participates in guided reading situations (observing, following along with finger) Begins reading predictable texts with a pattern and pictures	Reads grade level texts aloud in phrases/sentences with pace and expression Reads independently with increasing fluency for longer periods of time with less familiar texts	Reads grade level texts aloud with accuracy, appropriate pausing, stress, intonation and phrasing Reads independently with increasing fluency for longer periods of time with less familiar texts

Literal Comprehension: Uses structural features of texts to facilitate comprehension

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Organizatio nal Features of Non-Fiction Texts	Gains information from pictures and words	Recognizes the difference between fiction and non-fiction text	Recognizes the features of non-fiction texts (captions, headings, table of contents, glossary, index)	Identifies the features of non-fiction texts (titles, heading, table of contents, glossary, index
Organizational Features of Fiction Text	Uses pictures to gain information	Uses title and pictures when reading Knows that stories have a beginning, middle and an end Knows the characters and setting of a story	Identifies the beginning, middle and end of a story and knows the purpose of these parts Identifies the characters, setting, problem and solution of a story	Identifies and describes the characters, setting, problem and solution of a story

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Genre		Identifies fiction and non-fiction	Identifies fiction and non-fiction	Demonstrates an awareness of different genres (information report, instructions, fairy tales, stories)	Demonstrates an awareness of different genres (information report, biographies, instructions, realistic fiction, poetry, mysteries, scary and funny stories) Compares different genres to one another
Retelling		Listens to and responds to some questions about a narrative text Listens to and responds to some questions about a non-fiction text	Identifies main characters, events, and ideas in narrative stories Identifies a fact from a non-fiction text	Comments on events, characters and ideas in narrative stories Retells some key information from a non-fiction text	Retells a narrative in the correct sequence including setting and characters Retells the key information from a non-fiction text

Inferential Comprehension: Uses reading strategies to retrieve and comment on ideas and information in a variety of texts including visual media

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Predicting and Interpreting	**Fiction**	Asks questions to clarify understanding	Asks questions about title, ideas, events and characters Relates texts to real life experiences	Expresses own view about texts and listens to the opinions of others	Discusses own interpretation of text and makes connections to the world around them
	Non-Fiction	Asks questions to clarify understanding	Asks questions about text or features e.g. tables, pictures etc. Relates texts to real life experiences	Expresses own view about texts and their features and listens to the opinions of others	Discusses texts, gives opinions and makes connections to the world around them

Engages with Text: Reads for a variety of purposes

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Reads for a variety of purposes		Enjoys listening to stories	Selects books and enjoys reading stories with some independence	Selects books and enjoys reading with increased independence	Chooses texts appropriate to reading level Shows a preference for a specific genre or author Plans personal reading goals

Writing

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Conceptual Understandings	**Conceptual Understandings**	**Conceptual Understandings**	**Conceptual Understandings**
• Writing conveys meaning. • People write to tell about their experiences, ideas and feelings. • Everyone can express themselves in writing. • Talking about our stories and pictures helps other people to understand and enjoy them	• People write to communicate. • The sounds of spoken language can be represented visually (letters, symbols, characters). • Consistent ways of recording words or ideas enable members of a language community to understand each other's writing. • Written language works differently from spoken language.	• We write in different ways for different purposes. • The structure of different types of texts includes identifiable features. • Applying a range of strategies helps us to express ourselves so that others can enjoy our writing. • Thinking about storybook characters and people in real life helps us to develop characters in our own stories. • When writing, the words we choose and how we choose to use them enable us to share our imaginings and ideas.	• Writing and thinking work together to enable us to express ideas and convey meaning. • Asking questions of ourselves and others helps to make our writing more focused and purposeful. • The way we structure and organize our writing helps others to understand and appreciate it. • Rereading and editing our own writing enables us to express what we want to say more clearly. •

Ideas: Expresses ideas clearly

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Non-Fiction	Expresses ideas through drawing and writes matching and simple words Starts to write basic sentences about themselves	Writes basic sentences about different but familiar topics	Writes about ideas that are topic related and include basic details Writes with a clear purpose, follows a specific structure, ideas are on topic, include detail and are related	Communicates main ideas clearly Organizes main ideas into paragraphs with topic sentence and supporting details Uses a basic logical sequence
Fiction	Expresses ideas through drawing and writes matching and simple words	Starts to experiment with story writing	Writes simple, sequenced stories with a beginning, middle and end, includes simple description of characters	Writes a story with a clear and developed beginning, middle and end, includes character and setting description

Organization: Organizes writing for audience and purpose

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4

Writing Process	Participates in shared writing activities	Participates in shared and guided writing activities Begins to use a graphic organizer to plan writing	Uses a graphic organizer to support the writing process	Plans, organizes and completes writing projects with support Reflects critically on own writing, edits to improve it with support
Genre	Listens to different text forms	Follows text structure features Begins to write labels, captions, and descriptions with support	Follows text structure features Begins to use labels, captions, recounts, descriptions, procedures, and narratives with support	Follows text structure features Writes recounts, descriptions, procedures, information reports, explanations, and narratives (orientation and complication focus) with support
Text Structure	Writes letters and words	Begins to transfer knowledge of text structures from shared writing into own writing Begins to write a simple caption for a picture	Connects simple sentences to the main idea Writes narratives, story and short sequenced factual text with support Begins to use paragraphs to organize ideas.	Writes letters, narratives, stories, poems and text summaries of increasing complexity Organizes ideas into paragraphs Uses a range of text forms with an awareness of their purpose

Word Choice and Voice: Writes with style and expression

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Word Choice	**Non-Fiction**	Begins to use high frequency words	Experiments with words to describe ideas Uses high frequency words Begins to selects vocabulary appropriate to text forms	Selects vocabulary appropriate to text forms	Selects vocabulary according to content, audience and purpose Uses vocabulary which is content and purpose specific

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Fiction		Begins to use high frequency words	Experiments with words to describe ideas Uses high frequency words	Works to include descriptive words and phrases Experiments with a thesaurus to find new and different descriptive words	Uses a thesaurus to find new and different descriptive words Uses a variety of descriptive vocabulary words Uses word choice to convey atmosphere and mood
Voice		Starts to experiment with conveying feelings in drawing and writes simple words	Expresses feelings and emotions through in drawing and writes simple sentences	Starts to write in an individualized style Experiments with writing from an alternative view	Writes in an individual, creative and expressive style Writes from an alternative view

Sentence Fluency and Conventions: Uses conventions of writing appropriately

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Sentence Fluency		Begins to show evidence of simple sentence structure	Begins to use simple and compound sentences with time connectives	Uses correct verb agreement Uses a variety of sentence beginnings	Uses correct grammar and varies sentence structure length Uses paragraphs appropriately (topic sentence, details support topic)
Spelling		Shows an awareness of at least 8 letter sounds Begins to show an awareness of the sound-symbol relationship Realises differences between English and German spelling	Spells high frequency words correctly and uses common spelling patterns Is aware of sounds that are special to the German language, e.g. Umlaute (ä, ö, ü) and Zwielaute (e.g. eu, au, äu) Capitalises the first letter in a sentence Capitalizes nouns	Spells previously learned words correctly and applies taught spelling patterns to unknown words Uses Umlaute (ä, ö, ü) and Zwielaute (e.g. eu, au, äu) Capitalises words with the endings –heit, -keit, -schaft, -ung, -nis. Writes –lich, -lig, ent-, ver-, vor-, words correctly	Spells previously learned words correctly and applies taught spelling patterns to unknown words Distinguishes between long and short vowels and understand the spelling consequences Uses ss and ß correctly Uses the various options to write a long vowel

Handwriting	Writes legibly and in a consistent style Writes on standard handwriting paper Consistently uses spaces between words Consistently uses correct letter size	Writes legibly and in a consistent style (starting January) Writes on smaller standard handwriting paper	Uses a legible handwriting style consistently, including appropriate size, spacing and speed	Varies handwriting style according to audience and purpose
Punctuation and Grammar	Writes own first name with correct upper and lower case letters Recognizes last name Occasionally uses correct capitalization and punctuation	Identifies nouns and verbs Begins to use increasingly accurate grammatical constructs with subject-verb agreement Punctuation: capitalization for sentence beginnings and proper nouns, full stops	With support, uses quotation marks and commas in a list Identifies and uses common nouns, proper nouns, verbs, pronouns, prepositions and adjectives Uses correct articles definite/ indefinite Starts to use present, past, perfect and future tense Uses increasingly accurate grammatical constructs with subject-verb agreement Punctuation: capitalization, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks	Identifies and uses common nouns, verbs, pronouns, prepositions, adjectives, synonyms, antonyms Uses prefixes and suffixes correctly Consistently uses the correct tense for the writing genre with subject-verb agreement Uses present, past, perfect, and future tense correctly Punctuation: capitalization, full stops, exclamation marks, question marks, quotation marks, commas, direct speech

| Editing/Revising | Knows that writing is a process | Starts to edit writing for full stops and capitals at the beginning of sentences, with support | Begins to reread own writing to maintain word sequence

Begins to edit writing for subject-verb agreement, capitalization, full stops and high frequency words

Uses feedback from teachers to improve writing

Uses resources for editing (dictionary, computer, peer, word wall) | Edits writing for word choice, ideas, paragraphing, grammar, spelling, capitalization and punctuation

Revises for meaning

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Grade 3 Programme of studies

Who we are
Central Idea
Balanced nutrition and physical activity help our body systems to develop and grow.
Key Concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility
Related Concepts: Body Systems, Fitness, Balance, Nutrition, Growth Mindset, Choice
Lines of Inquiry
- The different body systems and how they work (Function)
- What it means to make balanced, healthy choices (Connection)
- How nutrition and fitness affect our bodies (Responsibility)

Where we are in time and place
Central Idea
Continuous developments in space exploration allow us to better understand the solar system.
Key Concepts: Form, Perspective, Change
Related Concepts: Solar System, Cycles, Gravity, Space Technology, Exploration, Innovation, History, Mythology
Lines of Inquiry
- Space literature and mythology (Form, Perspective)
- The history of space exploration (Change)

- How the Solar System is organized and technological advances in space exploration (Form, Change)

How we express ourselves
Central Idea:
The performing arts allow us to creatively express our emotions
Key Concepts: Connection, Perspective, Responsibility
Related Concepts: Performance, Roles, Character, Emotions, Expression, Culture, Creativity
Lines of Inquiry
- Types of performing arts (Connection, Perspective)
- The nature and importance of character development (Perspective, Responsibility)
- The roles and elements of a performance (Responsibility, Perspective)

How the world works
Central Idea:
Investigating the properties of sound and light helps us understand how we perceive the world around us.
Key Concepts: Perspective, Function, Connection
Related Concepts: Properties, Scientific Method, Sound, Light
Lines of Inquiry
- The properties of light (Function)
- The properties of sound(Function)
- How sound and light influence our lives (Perspective, Connection)
- The use of the scientific method (Function)

How we organise ourselves

Central Idea:

Communities make efforts to create the leadership systems that meet their needs

Key Concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility

Related Concepts: Settlements, Locality, Progress

Lines of Inquiry

- The importance of decision making (Connection)
- Roles and responsibilities (Responsibility)
- The features of a community (Function)
- How we make decisions to meet the needs of a community (Function, Connection)

How we share the planet

Central Idea:

Water is a precious resource and needs to be used responsibly.

Key Concepts: Form, Responsibility, Causation

Related Concepts: Distribution, Equity, Properties, Cycles, Conservation, Environmental Impact, Choices

Lines of Inquiry

- Availability of usable water (Form, Connection)
- Properties of water (Form)
- How science and technology help us use water (Causation)
- Risks and threats to resources (Causation),
- Personal, Local and Global Action (Responsibility)

Mathematics specific expectations

Number

- Read ,write and model whole numbers to 10,000 in figures and words, using the base 10 place value system
- Partition numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and know what each digit represents
- Add/subtract 1, 10, 100, to or from any number up to 1,000
- Multiply or divide any number up to 1000 by 10 (whole number answers) and understand the effect
- Begin to multiply by 100

- Count on or back in ones, tens, hundreds, or thousands etc. (as appropriate) including crossing boundaries up to 10,000
- Read and write the vocabulary of comparing and ordering numbers to at least 1000 and ordinal numbers to at least 100 (bigger, smaller, first, second, third etc.)
- Give one or more numbers lying between two numbers 10,000 and order a set of whole numbers less than 10000
- Use the symbols less than (<), more than (>) and equals (=)
- Recognise negative numbers in context (e.g. on a number line, on a temperature scale, sea level etc!)
- Recognise and extend number sequences formed by counting from any number in steps of constant size, extending beyond zero when counting back. E.g. count from 3 in steps of five
- Recognise odd and even numbers up to 1000 and their properties, including the outcome of sums or differences of pairs of odd/even numbers
- Recognise multiples of 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 up to the tenth multiple
- Know squares of numbers up to 10 x 10
- Read and write the vocabulary of estimation and approximation.
- Make and justify estimates up to 1000 or beyond and estimate the reasonableness of answers
- Estimate a proportion e.g. that is about half
- Round any positive integer less than 1000 to the nearest 10 or 100
- Round decimal numbers in context to nearest whole e.g. 2.96cm is closer to 3
- Introduce more complex mathematical fraction vocabulary and notation e.g. Numerator, denominator, equivalence
- Recognise simple fractions that are several parts of a whole such as 2/3 or 5/6 and mixed numbers such as 2 ½
- Model the concept of equivalence to 1 e.g. five tenths = one half, five fifths = one whole
- Recognise two simple fractions that total 1 e.g. 3/10 and 7/10
- Compare and find equivalencies of simple fractions using manipulatives or drawn models (e.g. fractions equivalent to ½ ¼ ¾, etc.)
- Estimate fractions
- Reduce fractions to their simplest form e.g. 2/4 = ½
- Begin to order simple fractions e.g., decide whether fractions such as 3/8 or 7/10 are greater or less than one half

- Begin to relate fractions to division and find simple fractions such as ½, ¼, ¾ etc. of numbers and quantities
- Find simple fractions of shapes
- Model addition and subtraction of fractions with related denominators
- Begin to use simple ideas of ratio and proportion e.g. one for every… and one in every… in realistic contexts such as recipes
- Recognise decimal notation for tenths, hundredths and use it in realistic contexts e.g. ordering amounts of money or measurements etc.
- Recognise the equivalence between the decimal and fraction forms of one half and one quarter, and tenths such as 0.3
- Convert sums of money such as 2 Euros and 33 cents to cents or a length such as 125cm to m
- Round decimals in context e.g. sums of money to the nearest Euro. M and cm to nearest M (see above also)
- Understand and use the relationship between addition and subtraction to solve/check problems e.g. 24 +1 3 =3 7, 37=24 -13
- Consolidate knowledge of addition and subtraction facts for all numbers to 20
- Derive all number pairs that total 100 (e.g. 62 and 38)
- Derive all pairs of multiples of 10 which total 1000
- All pairs of multiples of 50 that total 1000 (e.g. 250 and 750)
- Use, read and write mathematical vocabulary and symbols of addition and subtraction e.g. sum, total, increase etc!
- Use informal pencil and paper methods to support, record, or explain, additions/subtractions with or without regrouping
- Develop and refine written methods for column addition of numbers to 10000 e.g. 1234 + 1567 =? including simple decimals (Extension)
- Develop and refine written methods for subtractions of two whole numbers less than 1000 e.g. 789 – 234 =? including simple decimals (Extension)
- Know multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 times-tables and related division facts.
- **Begin** to know multiplication facts for the 6, 7, 8, and 9 times tables and related division fact
- Doubles of all numbers to 50, of multiples of 5 to 100. Of multiples of 10 to 200 and multiples of 50 to 1000
- Derive halves of numbers to 1000

- Use, read and begin to write mathematical vocabulary and symbols of multiplication and division E.g. multiply, times, divide, product, quotient
- Demonstrate understanding of the operation of multiplication and its relationship to addition and use the related vocabulary (repeated addition)
- Demonstrate understanding of the operation of division and its relationship to subtraction
- Use informal and formal pencil and paper methods to support, record, or explain multiplication and division. TU x U, TU ÷ U
- Develop and refine written methods for multiplication and division TU x U, TU ÷ U
- Demonstrate understanding of the relationship between multiplication and division
- Find remainders after division.
- Round up or down after division
- Choose and use appropriate operations to solve number and word problems including student generated problems set in real life
- Explain methods orally and in writing.
- Consolidate recognition of all coins and notes

Measurement

- Use, read and write standard metric units of measure (km, M cm, mm, kg, g, L, ml) for, length, mass, temperature and capacity including their abbreviations
- Suggest suitable units and measuring equipment to estimate or measure length, mass, temperature and capacity
- Record estimates and readings from scales to a suitable degree of accuracy including those that fall between two units e.g. 4Kg and 5Kg = 4 ½ Kg
- Use decimal and fractional notation in measurement (to 1 decimal place e.g. 3.2cm)
- Demonstrate an understanding of the relationships between metric units e.g. 10mm = 1cm). Convert between one unit and the next e.g. 123cm = 1.23m, 1500g = 1.5Kg
- Measure and draw lines to the nearest millimetre
- Measure and calculate the perimeter and area of rectangles and other simple shapes using counting methods and standard units (e.g. cm, square cm)
- Read, use and write the vocabulary related to time

- Read and write time to the nearest minute on 12 analogue hour and 24 hour digital clocks
- Use am and pm and time notation e.g. 9:53
- Read and use simple timetables, timelines and this year's calendar e.g. in units of inquiry
- Suggest and use suitable units to estimate and check times using seconds, minutes and hours.

Shape and Space

- Classify, describe and sort 2D shapes including parallelogram, trapezoid, and heptagon according to their properties such as reflective symmetry, number of corners, regular or irregular, angles etc.
- Recognise and describe the properties of equilateral, scalene and isosceles triangles
- Classify and describe, 3D shapes including the tetrahedron according to their properties such as symmetry, the number of faces, sides/edges, vertices, and angles etc.
- Make shapes e.g. construct polygons by paper folding or by using a pin board and classify properties such as lines of symmetry
- Build a 2D Net for triangular prisms and cuboids
- Visualise 3D shapes from 2D drawings and identify simple nets of solid shapes
- Combine and transform 2D shapes to make other shapes
- Identify, describe and model congruency and similarity in 2D shapes
- Identify and draw lines of symmetry in triangles and sketch the reflection of a simple shape in a mirror line parallel to one side.
- Identify lines and axes of rotational symmetry
- Recognise, explain and create symmetrical patterns including tessellation of triangles
- Identify parallel lines
- Write the vocabulary related to position, direction and movement
- Read and plot points for location on numbered one quadrant grids
- Use the eight compass directions N, S, E, W, NE, NW, SE, SW
- Make and measure clockwise and anticlockwise turns for example from SW to N or from 4 o'clock to 10 o'clock on a clock face.

- Know that angles are measured in degrees and that:- e.g. 360 degrees = 1 whole turn or 4 right angles, 180 degrees = half turn or two right angles, 90 = a quarter turn or one right angle, 45 degrees = half a right angle
- Start to order a set of angles less than 180 degrees
- Use and understand the vocabulary acute, obtuse and right angle
- Use a protractor to measure right angles and find acute and obtuse angles

Pattern and Function

- Recognise, describe, continue and create patterns including number patterns
- Identify, analyse and describe rules for patterns in various ways for example using words, symbols and tables
- Understand that multiplication is repeated addition and that division is repeated subtraction
- Understand the inverse relationship between multiplication and division
- Understand the associative and commutative properties of multiplication
- Use number patterns to make predictions and solve problems
- Begin to use the properties and relationships of the four operations to solve problems

Data Handling

- Sort data according to several attributes. e.g. all the square blue buttons, all the square blue buttons with four holes
- Pose and answer questions by collecting, organizing, interpreting and displaying data using simple lists, tables and graphs including e.g.
  1. Tally charts
  2. Bar charts with scale 2, 5, 10, 20
  3. Pictograms with scale 2, 5, 10, 20
  4. Tree diagrams (more than two branches minimum)
  5. Venn diagrams (3 circle)
  6. Carroll diagrams. (various criteria)
- Discuss the suitability of one graph form over another and select an appropriate form to display data
- Use scale to represent larger quantities on a graph
- Identify and interpret the range of a set of data
- Identify and interpret the mode of a set of data.
- Design a survey process, input and interpret the data

- Use ICT as a tool to create simple data charts
- Demonstrate the purpose of a database by manipulating the data to answer questions and solve problems
- Describe events as likely or unlikely and discuss the degree of likelihood using such words as certain, equally likely, impossible etc.
- Place events in order of likelihood
- Use the language of probability (Likely, unlikely, impossible, fair, unfair etc.) to e.g. determine mathematically fair and unfair games and explain possible outcomes
- Use tree diagrams to express probability using simple fractions e.g. ½, ½ for heads or tails when tossing a coin

English/ German Language Specific Expectations

Please note: The German scope and sequence document for advanced learners is identical to the English scope and sequence except for a few minor modifications with respect to spelling and grammar. German acquisition learners follow a modified version of this scope and sequence which is included in this document.

Listening:
Consistently demonstrates active listening
- Demonstrates active listening by identifying a specific purpose, asking questions, while having culturally appropriate eye contact or using culturally appropriate body language in all situations

Speaking:
Speaks for a variety of purposes
Responding in groups by following conversational rules
- Listens, develops and presents ideas and opinions individually and in groups
- Follows rules for conversations and discussion purposes, (including explaining, inquiring, and sharing information, predictions and entertainment)

Creative Dramatics
- Dramatizes non-fiction and fiction with use of props, readers' theatre and plays

Paraphrasing
- Maintains clear focus on details and/or main ideas

Public Speaking
- Prepares and delivers short explanation, presentations or reports to a familiar audience
- Uses a multi-media tool to enhance oral presentations

Viewing and Presenting:
Interprets, uses and constructs visuals and multimedia in a variety of situations
Awareness of visual media
- Describes personal reactions to visual messages
- Reflects on why others may perceive images differently
- Experiences a range of visual language formats
- Realizes why particular formats are selected to achieve particular visual effects

Using and constructing visual media in a variety of situations
- Identifies and explains the use of body language in a dramatic presentation
- Uses shapes, colors, symbols, layout and fonts to achieve particular effects and explains how effect is achieved
- Discusses the impact of different visual formats to achieve an impact
- Develops visual presentation skills using a range of media

Reading:
Word Recognition: Uses the general skills and strategies of the reading process
Word Recognition
- Recognizes words using contextual cues and sight vocabulary
Strategies for Decoding
- Recognizes unfamiliar words using a variety of decoding skills

Fluency
- Reads grade level texts aloud with appropriate pausing stress, intonation and phrasing
- Reads independently with increasing fluency for longer periods of time with less familiar texts

Literal Comprehension:
Uses structural features of texts to facilitate comprehension
Organizational features of non-fiction texts

- Uses the features of non-fiction texts to find specific information (illustrations, graphics, contents, index, headings)

Organizational features of fiction texts

- Identifies and describes the characters, setting, problem and solution of a story

Genre

- Demonstrates an awareness of different genres (information report, biographies, instructions, realistic fiction, poetry, mysteries, scary and funny stories)
- Compares different genres to one another

Retelling

- Describes events in a story and can give reasons why things happen or why characters change
- Retells the key information from non-fiction text

Inferential Comprehension:
Uses reading strategies to retrieve and comment on ideas and information in a variety of texts including visual media
Predicting and Interpreting
Fiction

- Discusses own interpretation of text and makes connections to the world around them

Non-Fiction

- Reads and interprets unusual text formats (letters, questions followed by answers, boxes, and fact boxes)

Engages with Text: Reads for a variety of purposes
Reads favorite authors or genres and experiments with other types of texts

Writing
Ideas: Expresses ideas clearly
Non-Fiction

- Communicates main ideas clearly
- Organizes main ideas into paragraphs with topic sentence and supporting details

Fiction

- Writes a story with a clear and developed beginning, middle and end, includes character, setting and plot

Organization: Organizes writing for audience and purpose
Writing Process

- Follows a plan for writing familiar genres

Genre

- Follows text structure features
- Writes recounts, descriptions, procedures, information reports, explanations, and narratives (orientation, complication, and series of events focus)

Text Structure
- Writes from a consistent point of view
- Organizes ideas into paragraphs
- Uses a range of text forms with an awareness of their purpose

Word Choice and Voice: Writes with style and expression

Non-fiction:
- Selects vocabulary according to content, audience and purpose

Fiction:
- Uses a thesaurus to find new and different descriptive words

Voice
- Writes in an individual, creative and expressive style
- Experiments with writing from an alternative view

Sentence Fluency and Conventions: Uses conventions of writing appropriately

Sentence Fluency
- Uses correct verb agreement
- Uses similes and onomatopoeia

Spelling
- Spells previously learned words correctly and applies taught spelling patterns to unknown words

Handwriting
- Uses a legible cursive handwriting style consistently, including appropriate size, spacing and speed

Punctuation and Grammar
- Identifies and uses common nouns, verbs, pronouns, prepositions, adjectives, synonyms, antonyms
- Consistently uses the correct tense for the writing genre with subject-verb agreement
- Comma is used in compound noun groups and lists of adjectives, nouns, and verbs
- Punctuation: capitalization, full stops, apostrophes, exclamation marks, question marks, quotation marks, commas

Grade 4 Programme of studies

Who we are

Central Idea

We learn from the values, attitudes and actions of people who have positively influenced the world around them.

Key Concepts: Responsibility, Connection, Causation

Related Concepts: Conflict, Justice, Leadership, Character, Choices, Perseverance, Initiative,

Lines of Inquiry
- The values and attitudes that lead people to take positive action (Connection)
- How and why certain individuals have influenced the world around them (Causation)
- How we can take compassionate action to have an impact on people and the environment (Responsibility)

Where we are in place and time

Central Idea:

Human migration is a response to challenges, risks and opportunities.

Key Concepts: Responsibility, Perspective, Causation

Related Concepts: Migration, Impact, Adaptation, Identity, Diversity

Lines of Inquiry
- The reasons why people migrate. (Causation, Perspective)
- How communities respond to migration (Causation)
- Effects of migration on communities, cultures and individuals. (Responsibility, Perspective)

How we express ourselves

Central Idea:

Function and creative expression determines the design of a structure.

Key Concepts: Form, Function, Connection

Related Concepts: Geography, Design, History, Architecture, Aesthetics, Expression, Materials

Lines of Inquiry

- How function influences design (Function)
- How form reflects creativity (Form)
- Historical periods of architectural design (Connection)
- How geography and culture affect aesthetics and design (Connection)

How the world works

Central Idea:

Geological processes constantly change the structure of the Earth

Key Concepts: Causation, Change

Related Concepts: Geography, Preparedness, Geology, Evidence, Force, Cycles,

Lines of Inquiry

- How different components of the Earth are interrelated (Causation)
- Why the Earth has changed and continues to change (Change)
- How humans respond to the changing Earth (Connection)

How we organise ourselves

Central Idea:

The beliefs that we hold can help shape our identity.

Key Concepts: Perspective, Connection, Reflection.

Related Concepts: Identity, Stereotypes, Choice, Belief, Culture, Religion, Similarities and Differences

Lines of Inquiry

- The groups that we belong to. (Connection)
- The similarities and differences between major world religions. (Perspective, **Reflection**)
- How our beliefs and culture help shape our identity. (Perspective, Connection)

How we share the planet

Central Idea:

Human actions can preserve or endanger the Earth's fragile, interdependent ecosystems

Key Concepts: Form, Causation, Responsibility

Related Concepts: Geography, Regions, Impact, Ecology, Preservation

Lines of Inquiry

- Different biomes/ecosystems and their importance. (Form)
- The reasons ecosystems are fragile. (Causation)
- How humans affect ecosystems. (Causation)
- How ecosystems can be sustained and protected for the future. (Responsibility)

Mathematics specific expectations
Number

- Read, write and model whole numbers to at least 100,000 in figures and words using the base 10 system
- Partition numbers into, ten thousands, thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and know what each digit represents
- Use, read, write and spell correctly the vocabulary of ordering and comparing numbers including symbols such as less than (<), more than (>) and equals (=), less than or equal to(≤,) greater than or equal to(≥)
- Give one or more numbers lying between two numbers to 100,000
- Order a set of numbers less than 1 million
- Multiply and divide positive numbers to 10,000 or beyond by 10 or 100 and explain the effect.
- Order a set of positive and negative numbers in a real world context such as temperature, sea level, time zones, time lines, bank balances etc.
- Carry out simple addition and subtraction involving negative numbers e.g. 3 - 5 = -2
- Read and write and spell correctly the vocabulary of estimation and approximation
- Use estimation as a tool to check the answer to calculations

- Make and justify estimates of large numbers and estimate simple proportions such as one third or three quarters.
- Approximate answers to calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Round any integer up to 10,000 to the nearest 10, 100, or 1000
- Round decimal numbers to nearest whole or tenth
- Recognise and extend number sequences such as those formed by counting from any number in steps of constant size extending beyond zero when counting back. E.g. count from 12 in steps of 8
- Count on or back in ones, fives, tens, hundreds, or thousands, ten thousands etc. including crossing boundaries up to 100,000
- Make general statements about odd or even numbers including the outcomes of sums, differences and products
- Recognise multiples of 6, 7, 8, and 9 up to the tenth multiple
- Know and apply tests of divisibility by 2, 4, 5, 10, 100
- Find all pairs of factors for any number up to 100
- Know squares of numbers to 10x10
- Find simple square roots
- Use, read and begin to write fraction vocabulary and fraction notation, including that for mixed numbers
- Explain and demonstrate the equivalence of simple fractions
- Compare and order a set of simple fractions and position them on a number line. e.g. ½ , ¼, ¾
- Estimate Fractions
- Reduce fractions to their simplest form by dividing both numerator and denominator by common factors
- Read, write and model improper fractions and mixed numbers
- Change an improper fraction to a mixed number and vice versa
- Relate simple fractions to division and use division to find simple fractions of numbers and quantities e.g. ½ of 24, ¼ of 32 etc.
- Add and subtract simple fractions by converting them to fractions with a common denominator e.g. ½ and ¼
- Solve simple problems using ideas of ratio, scale and proportion
- Use decimal notation and vocabulary for tenths, hundredths and thousandths or beyond
- Know what each digit represents in a number with up to 2 decimal places.

- Order a set of decimal numbers (2d.p) e.g. 2.23, 3.26, 2.14, 2.45
- Round a number with one or two decimal places to the nearest integer
- Relate fractions to their decimal representations
- Round a number with one or two decimal places to the nearest tenth or integer (see above)
- Begin to demonstrate an understanding of percentage as the number of parts in every 100.
- Convert between simple fractions, decimals as percentages
- Find simple percentages of small whole number quantities e.g. 25% of 50, of 60
- Derive quickly Decimals that total 1. (e.g. 0.2 + 0.8) or 10 (e.g. 3.5 + 6.5)
- Derive all two-digit pairs which total 100 e.g. 46 + 54 =
- Know all pairs of multiples of 50 which total 1000
- Approximate answers to calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Use read, write and spell accurately mathematical vocabulary and symbols of addition and subtraction
- Extend written methods to formal / column addition and subtraction of integers less than 10000 including decimals (up to 2d.p)
- Derive quickly
  1. multiplication facts up to 10 x 10 and related division facts
  2. Doubles of all whole numbers 1-100 (e.g. 78 x 2) and corresponding halves
  3. Doubles of multiples of 10– 1000 (e.g. 670 x 2) and corresponding halves
  4. Doubles of multiples of 100– 10000 (e.g. 6550 x 2) and corresponding halves
- Use read, write and spell accurately mathematical vocabulary and symbols of multiplication and division E.g. multiply, times, divide, product, quotient
- Extend written methods to :
  1. short multiplication of TU x U or HTU x U)
  2. long multiplication of at least TU x TU
- Extend written methods to division TU ÷ U and HTU ÷ U)
- Begin to use brackets in calculations
- Develop calculator skills and use a calculator effectively
- Select, use and defend the most efficient and appropriate method of solving problems based on real life. (E.g. money, measures, time) using one or more steps

- Explain and justify methods and reasoning orally and in writing

Measurement

- Use, read and write standard metric units (km, m, cm, mm, kg, g, l, ml, degrees Centigrade or Fahrenheit) including their abbreviations
- Recognise and use relationships between units and convert smaller to larger units and vice versa. (e.g. M to km, cm to M, g to Kg, ml to L)
- Recognise that there are units of measure used in non-metric systems such as miles, yards, feet, inches, gallons, pints, etc.
- Select and use suitable units and/or measuring equipment to estimate, describe, compare and measure length, mass, temperature and capacity
- Use decimal and fractional notation in measurement 3.2cm, 1 ½ metres (to 2 decimal places e.g. 3.21cm
- Record estimates and readings from a variety of measuring instrument scales to a suitable degree of accuracy.
- Recognise that the accuracy of a measurement depends on the situation and the tools available.
- Measure and calculate perimeters of rectangles, and regular polygons.
- Demonstrate an understanding that area can be measured in square centimetres and use the formula Length x Width = Area for the area of a rectangle.
- Calculate the volume of cubes and cuboids using the formula Volume = Length x Width x Height
- Use, read and write the vocabulary related to time and know the relationships between the measures
- Use units of time, read the time on a 24 hour digital clock and use 24 hour clock notation e.g. 19.53
- Use timetables and schedules in real contexts
- Suggest and use suitable units of time/ time equipment with which to estimate or measure
- Gain an understanding of time zones and determine times worldwide

Shape and Space

- Classify, describe and sort regular 2D shapes according to their properties such as reflective symmetry, number of corners, angles etc.!

- Classify and describe 3D shapes according to their properties such as symmetry, the number of faces, side/edge, vertices, angles,
- Make shapes with increasing accuracy. E.g. on a pin board, from clay, cubes, construction equipment etc
- Visualise 3D shapes from 2D nets and vice versa
- Review the properties of isosceles, equilateral and scalene triangles using criteria such as equal sides, equal angles, lines of symmetry etc.
- Recognise and describe symmetry in regular polygons e.g. explain that a square has four axes of symmetry and that an equilateral triangle has three.
- Describe rotational symmetry around a centre point in 2D shapes and designs
- Draw shapes after they have been reflected in a mirror line (not necessarily) parallel or perpendicular to one side
- Recognise, explain and create symmetrical patterns including tessellation of regular polygons
- Predict, identify and demonstrate where shapes will be after reflection, translation (slides), rotation
- Identify and use scale/ratio to enlarge or reduce drawn/created shapes
- Identify congruent lines
- Identify and describe perpendicular, parallel and congruent lines
- Introduce and use the vocabulary of bearing and one quadrant coordinates including its notation e.g. (3, 6) Extend to four quadrants
- Consolidate the plotting of points for location in at least the first quadrant (extend to four quadrants)
- Begin to use simple bearings e.g. walk five steps North
- Demonstrate an understanding of angle as a measure of rotation by comparing and describing rotations e.g. whole turn, half turn, quarter turn
- Identify, estimate sort and order acute and obtuse angles
- Use a protractor to measure and draw acute and obtuse angles to an error of 5 degrees
- Calculate angles in a straight line and a right angle

Pattern and Functions

- Recognise, describe, continue and create patterns including number patterns
- Use appropriate methods for representing patterns, for example using words, graphs, symbols and tables
- Identify, analyse and describe rules for patterns in various ways

Represent the rule of a pattern by using a function
- Understand exponents as repeated multiplication
- Understand the inverse relationship between exponents and roots
- Use number patterns to make predictions and solve problems.

Data Handling
- Sort data according to multiple attributes
- Pose and answer questions by accurately and systematically collecting, recording, organizing and displaying , data in. tables, graphs, charts and diagrams including those generated by a computer. E.g.
1. Tables and charts,
2. Line graphs using scale e.g. 2, 5, 10, 20, 100
3. Tree diagrams
4. Bar graphs using scale e.g. 2,5, 10, 100
5. Pie charts
- Discuss, and compare different graph forms including how well they communicate information in different contexts
- Set up an electronic spreadsheet/database using simple formulas to manipulate data and create graphs
- Use ICT as a tool to create simple data charts
- Identify, describe and explain the, range and mode of a set of data and demonstrate their use.
- Describe events as likely or unlikely and discuss the degree of likelihood using such words as certain, equally likely, impossible etc.
- Place events in order of likelihood
- Determine the theoretical probability of an event and explain why it may differ from experimental probability
- Explain the difference between theoretical and experimental probability
- Use tree diagrams to express probability using fractions
- Represent probability in different forms (including a probability line/scale, (0 – 1), and as a percentage (0 - 100%)

English/ German Language Specific Expectations
Please note: The German scope and sequence document for advanced learners is identical to the English scope and sequence except for a few minor modifications with respect to spelling and grammar. German acquisition learners follow a modified version of this scope and sequence which is included in this document.

Listening:
Consistently demonstrates active listening
- Demonstrates active listening by summarizing and identifying the speaker's purpose, offering reflections, and interpreting the message by maintaining culturally appropriate eye contact (or body language), asking questions, or taking notes in all situations.

Speaking:
Speaks for a variety of purposes
Responding in groups by following conversational rules
- Listens, contributes ideas and seeks the ideas and opinions of others in a variety of situations
- Follows rules for communication, contributing to group discussions
Creative Dramatics
- Dramatizes non-fiction and fiction with use of props, readers' theatre and plays
Paraphrasing
- Maintains clear focus on details and/or main ideas
- Infers and draws conclusions and can justify them
Public Speaking
- Delivers prepared presentations using complete sentences, selecting and pronouncing words at an appropriate pace and volume
- Uses some multi-media tools to enhance oral presentations

Viewing and Presenting:
Interprets, uses and constructs visuals and multimedia in a variety of situations
Awareness of visual media
- Realizes that individuals interpret visual information according to personal experiences and different perspectives
- Identifies factors that influence personal reactions to visual texts
Using and constructing visual media in a variety of situations
- Realizes how body language can be used to achieve effects and influence meaning

- Understands visual texts with the intention of influencing the way people think and feel
- Applies basic knowledge of presentation techniques
- Compares a range of visual language formats and describes why particular formats are selected to achieve particular effects

Reading:

Word Recognition: Uses the general skills and strategies of the reading process
- Skims and scans for relevant information locating key words

Strategies for Decoding
- Recognizes new words by using a variety of decoding skills,

Fluency
- Reads grade level texts aloud with accuracy, intonation, and minimal hesitation
- Reads independently with increasing fluency for longer periods of time with less familiar texts

Literal Comprehension:
Uses structural features of texts to facilitate comprehension
Organizational features of non-fiction texts:
- Uses text organizers to locate information for a specific purpose

Organizational features of fiction texts:
- Discusses elements of a story
- Recognizes the cause and effect of events and problems

Genre
- Identifies textual features of grade level genres (realistic fiction, biographies, fantasy, non-fiction, myths, legends, folktales)
- Identifies and compares different genres to one another

Retelling
- Identifies plot, characterization and voice of the story
- Understands and responds to the ideas and information in texts

Inferential Comprehension:
Uses reading strategies to retrieve and comment on ideas and information in a variety of texts including visual media
Predicting and Interpreting
Fiction:

- Identifies reasons why a text may be interpreted differently by different readers

Non-Fiction:
- Reads and analyses the purpose of image placement, image size; font color, size and script choice

Engages with Text: Reads for a variety of purposes
- Reflects on reading habits and preferences
- Plans personal reading goals

Writing

Ideas: Expresses ideas clearly
Non-Fiction
- Writes with a clear and consistent focus on the main idea
- Uses a basic logical sequence

Fiction
- Writes stories that include development of character, setting and plot

Organization: Organizes writing for audience and purpose
Writing Process
- Plans, organizes and completes writing projects with support
- Reflects independently and critically on own writing, edits to improve it with support

Genre
- Follows text structure features
- Writes recounts, procedures, information reports, explanations, and narratives and expositions with support

Text Structure
- Writes an interesting introduction and connects details to the main idea
- Organizes paragraphs in a logical sequence
- Uses a variety of text forms

Word Choice and Voice: Writes with style and expression
Non-fiction
- Uses vocabulary which is content and purpose specific

Fiction
- Uses a variety of descriptive vocabulary words
- Uses word choice to convey atmosphere and mood

Voice

- Writes from an alternative perspective with a clear sense of audience

Sentence Fluency and Conventions: Uses conventions of writing appropriately

Sentence Fluency

- Uses correct grammar and varies sentence structure length
- Uses similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia and alliteration

Spelling

- Spells previously learned words correctly and applies taught spelling patterns to unknown words

Handwriting

- Uses a legible cursive handwriting style consistently, including appropriate size, spacing and speed

Punctuation and Grammar

- With support, uses quotation marks when referencing
- Identifies and uses affixes (prefixes and suffixes)
- Consistently uses the correct tense for the writing genre with subject-verb agreement
- Explores punctuation as a tool which affects and enhances meaning
- Punctuation: capitalization, full stops, apostrophes, exclamation marks, questions marks, quotations marks, commas,

Editing/Revising

- Edits writing for word choice, ideas, paragraphing, grammar, spelling, capitalization and punctuation
- Proofreads own writing and makes corrections or improvements
- Participates in giving feedback
- Uses feedback to improve writing