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SUMMER PACKET 2025

Fourth Grade...
the adventure begins.

Hello new Fourth Graders!

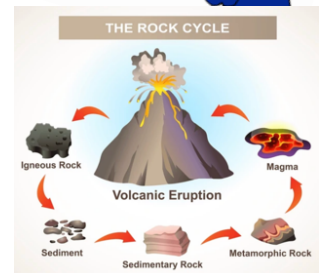
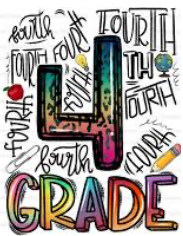
Congrats on getting through Third Grade. I'm SO excited to welcome you to the **FOURTH GRADE**! This is going to be a year full of learning, laughter, creativity, and even a bit of fun.

Get ready, this year you will:

- have new adventures in reading and writing,
- learn new math tricks (easier than you think!),
- create science projects that'll blow your mind,
- take a trip through American history to get to know our Founding Fathers and see how our country came to be, and
- most importantly, you will grow into an even more amazing version of yourself! ✨



In fourth grade we work hard, take responsibility for ourselves and our choices, and treat each other with kindness and respect. We'll have some fun and even a few laughs. I can't wait to see all the awesome things you'll do in this very important grade. Together we'll make this the best school year yet!



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SPELLING

Listed below are many spelling words you learned in third grade. I included them so you can review them a few times over the summer to help keep them fresh in your memory, as we will be building on them next year.

basket	windiest	etc.	heroes	airport
subject	owner	P.M.	scarves	haircut
lesson	peaches	P.S.	geese	fireworks
traffic	asleep	Rd.	calves	outside
mustard	display	vs.	volcanoes	playground
compact	shadow	wt.	loaves	rattlesnake
absent	dream	dept.	crises	courthouse
cosmic	braided	hrs.	cacti	thumbtack
disgust	charcoal	FYI	vertebrae	teammate
fantastic	agree	readiness	total	dispute
expectation	maintain	cloudy	digit	expose
distinct	tomorrow	stormy	talent	mistake
progress	freedom	peaceful	human	compete
inches	entertain	eagerness	minus	translate
itches	thousand	illness	defend	include
dishes	shower	freshness	finish	explode
glasses	power	happiness	equal	subscribe
spies	enjoy	graceful	salad	reptile
fries	bounce	frightful	famous	incubate
cities	avoid	plentiful	library	stipulate
pennies	appoint	billowy	mishap	confinement
families	annoy	fierceness	spiral	I've
faxes	proud	balloon	morning	let's
countries	fountain	choose	format	can't
mysteries	pronounce	feud	explore	aren't
varieties	surroundings	newest	cardboard	didn't
moving	turmoil	recruit	soared	won't
beginning	basket	rescue	darkness	couldn't
carried	subject	spooky	alarm	wouldn't
easier	lesson	statue	adore	you've
begged	table	suitable	target	doesn't
noisier	north	threw	absorb	would've
using	notice	soothe	bargain	should've
angriest	slowly	renewal	argument	o'clock
dragging	unit	nuisance	departure	certain
emptied	figure	wolves	popcorn	half
interesting	A.M.	knives	football	finally
exciting	ASAP	children	moonlight	money
	Bld.	sheep	eyesight	course

MATH PREP

In this packet, you will find multiplication tables up to 12 and a Fact Families chart. It's important to learn your multiplication facts so you can answer them quickly!

Knowing your times tables and the concept of Fact Families will help you with all the math we'll do in fourth grade.

This includes double-digit multiplication, long division, fractions, prime factors, and more. If you know your times tables, these math concepts will be so much easier. So let's practice and get really good at them!

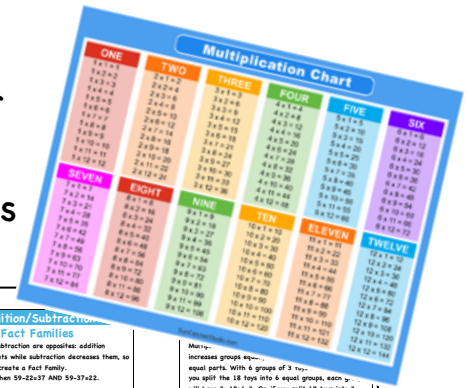
Starting the first full week of school, we will

work on the times tables (except the 1's and 10's), almost every day. You will get a sheet with 60 problems, and you'll have 3 minutes to finish them. We'll all begin with the 2's and work our way up to the 12's. At the end, once the 12's are completed, there will be a sheet with all the facts mixed up!

Each time you successfully finish a drill, you'll earn 10 points toward your Multiplication Drills Test grade. The highest score you can get is 100 points for the basic drills—and the final mixed sheet will earn **10 bonus points!** And, once you finish them all, you can sit back and relax during this daily drill time. Previous 4th graders had a lot of fun with this, earning stars as they progressed.

Your Multiplication Drills test will be in PowerSchool starting at the beginning of September. Each time you pass a drill, your grade goes up another ten points! This test is only in the **first trimester** and the score at the end of the first trimester is the final grade for the Multiplication Drills.

Hint: Practice one multiplication table for just 5 minutes each day for a whole week. If you do one table each week, you can learn them all over the summer—without having to spend a lot of time right before school starts!



Addition/Subtraction Fact Families

Addition and subtraction are opposite addition increases amounts while subtraction decreases them, so together they create a fact family.

7 + 37 = 23 + 39, then 39 - 22 = 37 and 39 - 37 = 22.

Addition	Subtraction
3 + 5 = 8	8 - 3 = 5
5 + 3 = 8	8 - 5 = 3
Which means...	
8 - 3 = 5	8 - 5 = 3
9 + 2 = 11	11 - 9 = 2
2 + 9 = 11	11 - 2 = 9
Which means...	
11 - 9 = 2	11 - 2 = 9
43 + 91 = 134	134 - 43 = 91
91 + 43 = 134	134 - 91 = 43
Which means...	
134 - 43 = 91	134 - 91 = 43

Addition	Subtraction
5 x 6 = 30	30 ÷ 5 = 6
6 x 5 = 30	30 ÷ 6 = 5
Which means...	
30 ÷ 5 = 6	30 ÷ 6 = 5
12 x 10 = 120	120 ÷ 12 = 10
10 x 12 = 120	120 ÷ 10 = 12
Which means...	
120 ÷ 12 = 10	120 ÷ 10 = 12

More... increases groups equals equal parts. With 6 groups of 3, you split the 18 into 6 equal groups, each will have 3: 18 ÷ 6 = 3. Or, if you split the 18 into 3 equal groups, you will have 6 in each group: 18 ÷ 3 = 6.

Addition	Subtraction
7 x 12 = 84	84 ÷ 7 = 12
12 x 7 = 84	84 ÷ 12 = 7
Which means...	
84 ÷ 7 = 12	84 ÷ 12 = 7
23 x 14 = 322	322 ÷ 23 = 14
14 x 23 = 322	322 ÷ 14 = 23
Which means...	
322 ÷ 23 = 14	322 ÷ 14 = 23

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3 Minute Drill

$\frac{6}{x \ 0}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 8}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 0}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 7}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 4}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 9}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 4}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 0}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 12}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 12}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 9}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 3}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 3}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 4}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 3}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 7}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 10}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 3}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 0}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 2}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 2}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 4}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 7}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 2}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 12}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 3}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 10}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 2}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 0}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 7}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 11}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 11}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 11}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 10}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 7}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 11}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 10}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 12}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$
$\frac{6}{x \ 8}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 8}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 4}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 5}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 1}$	$\frac{6}{x \ 6}$

Multiplication Chart

ONE

$1 \times 1 = 1$
 $1 \times 2 = 2$
 $1 \times 3 = 3$
 $1 \times 4 = 4$
 $1 \times 5 = 5$
 $1 \times 6 = 6$
 $1 \times 7 = 7$
 $1 \times 8 = 8$
 $1 \times 9 = 9$
 $1 \times 10 = 10$
 $1 \times 11 = 11$
 $1 \times 12 = 12$

TWO

$2 \times 1 = 2$
 $2 \times 2 = 4$
 $2 \times 3 = 6$
 $2 \times 4 = 8$
 $2 \times 5 = 10$
 $2 \times 6 = 12$
 $2 \times 7 = 14$
 $2 \times 8 = 16$
 $2 \times 9 = 18$
 $2 \times 10 = 20$
 $2 \times 11 = 22$
 $2 \times 12 = 24$

THREE

$3 \times 1 = 3$
 $3 \times 2 = 6$
 $3 \times 3 = 9$
 $3 \times 4 = 12$
 $3 \times 5 = 15$
 $3 \times 6 = 18$
 $3 \times 7 = 21$
 $3 \times 8 = 24$
 $3 \times 9 = 27$
 $3 \times 10 = 30$
 $3 \times 11 = 33$
 $3 \times 12 = 36$

FOUR

$4 \times 1 = 4$
 $4 \times 2 = 8$
 $4 \times 3 = 12$
 $4 \times 4 = 16$
 $4 \times 5 = 20$
 $4 \times 6 = 24$
 $4 \times 7 = 28$
 $4 \times 8 = 32$
 $4 \times 9 = 36$
 $4 \times 10 = 40$
 $4 \times 11 = 44$
 $4 \times 12 = 48$

FIVE

$5 \times 1 = 5$
 $5 \times 2 = 10$
 $5 \times 3 = 15$
 $5 \times 4 = 20$
 $5 \times 5 = 25$
 $5 \times 6 = 30$
 $5 \times 7 = 35$
 $5 \times 8 = 40$
 $5 \times 9 = 45$
 $5 \times 10 = 50$
 $5 \times 11 = 55$
 $5 \times 12 = 60$

SIX

$6 \times 1 = 6$
 $6 \times 2 = 12$
 $6 \times 3 = 18$
 $6 \times 4 = 24$
 $6 \times 5 = 30$
 $6 \times 6 = 36$
 $6 \times 7 = 42$
 $6 \times 8 = 48$
 $6 \times 9 = 54$
 $6 \times 10 = 60$
 $6 \times 11 = 66$
 $6 \times 12 = 72$

SEVEN

$7 \times 1 = 7$
 $7 \times 2 = 14$
 $7 \times 3 = 21$
 $7 \times 4 = 28$
 $7 \times 5 = 35$
 $7 \times 6 = 42$
 $7 \times 7 = 49$
 $7 \times 8 = 56$
 $7 \times 9 = 63$
 $7 \times 10 = 70$
 $7 \times 11 = 77$
 $7 \times 12 = 84$

EIGHT

$8 \times 1 = 8$
 $8 \times 2 = 16$
 $8 \times 3 = 24$
 $8 \times 4 = 32$
 $8 \times 5 = 40$
 $8 \times 6 = 48$
 $8 \times 7 = 56$
 $8 \times 8 = 64$
 $8 \times 9 = 72$
 $8 \times 10 = 80$
 $8 \times 11 = 88$
 $8 \times 12 = 96$

NINE

$9 \times 1 = 9$
 $9 \times 2 = 18$
 $9 \times 3 = 27$
 $9 \times 4 = 36$
 $9 \times 5 = 45$
 $9 \times 6 = 54$
 $9 \times 7 = 63$
 $9 \times 8 = 72$
 $9 \times 9 = 81$
 $9 \times 10 = 90$
 $9 \times 11 = 99$
 $9 \times 12 = 108$

TEN

$10 \times 1 = 10$
 $10 \times 2 = 20$
 $10 \times 3 = 30$
 $10 \times 4 = 40$
 $10 \times 5 = 50$
 $10 \times 6 = 60$
 $10 \times 7 = 70$
 $10 \times 8 = 80$
 $10 \times 9 = 90$
 $10 \times 10 = 100$
 $10 \times 11 = 110$
 $10 \times 12 = 120$

ELEVEN

$11 \times 1 = 11$
 $11 \times 2 = 22$
 $11 \times 3 = 33$
 $11 \times 4 = 44$
 $11 \times 5 = 55$
 $11 \times 6 = 66$
 $11 \times 7 = 77$
 $11 \times 8 = 88$
 $11 \times 9 = 99$
 $11 \times 10 = 110$
 $11 \times 11 = 121$
 $11 \times 12 = 132$

TWELVE

$12 \times 1 = 12$
 $12 \times 2 = 24$
 $12 \times 3 = 36$
 $12 \times 4 = 48$
 $12 \times 5 = 60$
 $12 \times 6 = 72$
 $12 \times 7 = 84$
 $12 \times 8 = 96$
 $12 \times 9 = 108$
 $12 \times 10 = 120$
 $12 \times 11 = 132$
 $12 \times 12 = 144$

MATH FACT FAMILIES

Addition/Subtraction

Fact Families

Addition and subtraction are opposites: addition increases amounts while subtraction decreases them, so together they create a Fact Family.

If $37+22=59$, then $59-22=37$ AND $59-37=22$.

$$3 + 5 = 8$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

Which means...

$$8 - 3 = 5$$

$$8 - 5 = 3$$

$$9 + 2 = 11$$

$$2 + 9 = 11$$

Which means...

$$11 - 9 = 2$$

$$11 - 2 = 9$$

$$8 + 14 = 22$$

$$14 + 8 = 22$$

Which means...

$$22 - 8 = 14$$

$$22 - 14 = 8$$

$$43 + 91 = 134$$

$$43 + 91 = 134$$

Which means...

$$134 - 43 = 91$$

$$134 - 91 = 43$$

Multiplication/Division

Fact Families

Multiplication and division are opposites: multiplication increases groups equally while division splits groups into equal parts. With 6 groups of 3 toys each, $6 \times 3 = 18$. If you split the 18 toys into 6 equal groups, each group will have 3: $18 \div 6 = 3$. Or, if you split 18 toys into 3 equal groups, you will have 6 in each group: $18 \div 3 = 6$.

$$5 \times 6 = 30$$

$$6 \times 5 = 30$$

Which means...

$$30 \div 5 = 6$$

$$30 \div 6 = 5$$

$$7 \times 12 = 84$$

$$12 \times 7 = 84$$

Which means...

$$84 \div 7 = 12$$

$$84 \div 12 = 7$$

$$12 \times 10 = 120$$

$$10 \times 12 = 120$$

Which means...

$$120 \div 12 = 10$$

$$120 \div 10 = 12$$

$$23 \times 14 = 322$$

$$14 \times 23 = 322$$

Which means...

$$322 \div 23 = 14$$

$$322 \div 14 = 23$$

You don't need to memorize the charts above; you only need to understand the meaning/concept of Addition & Subtraction Fact Families and Multiplication & Division Fact Families. To make sure you understand it, make up a few Fact Families of your own!

BOOK REPORT

Pick a chapter book that is just right for your reading level. It can be any genre: comedy, adventure, fiction, sci-fi, history, mystery, or anything else you like! Choose a chapter book that sounds fun to you.

☀ Please do not choose *Shiloh*, *Because of Winn-Dixie*, or *Secrets of the Cicada Summer* – we will read those books together during the school year.

What You Need to Do:

- Write in neat print (not cursive) to help everything fit nicely.
- You must do the finished work by hand. Do not type it.
- Draw the cover art with color pencils or crayons. No magic markers.

Helpful Hints:

- Plan/organize/finalize your thoughts and answers on computer (easier to edit).
- Use strong adjectives so your reader can picture the story as you did.
- Write your finalized report *in pencil* on the final Book Jacket provided.*
- *After* you've proofread it and made sure it fits, trace over it in blue pen (*not magic marker or Sharpie*), and erase the pencil writing underneath.



Finished report is due on the first Monday of the school year.



Late work will lose 5 points for each day it's late.

Book Report Grading Rubric (Total: 100%)

Content – Questions are answered with details and quotes from the book. (30%)

Complete Sentences – Responses are written in clear, complete sentences. (30%)

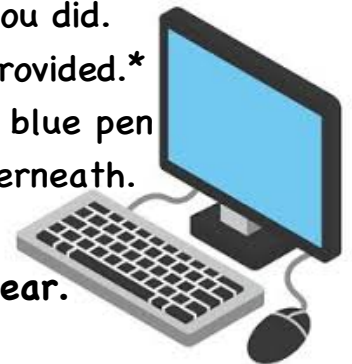
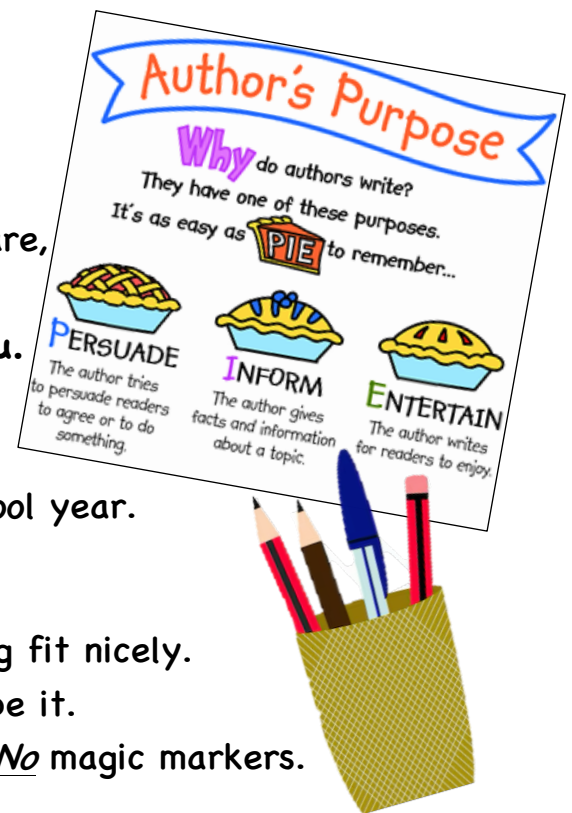
Proofreading – Sentence structure, spelling and punctuation are correct. (15%)

Legibility – Handwriting is neat and legible. (15%)

Follows Instructions – All directions for the assignment were followed. (10%)

Hint: Make a note of the space you have to work with. Plan your answers and practice your penmanship in order to fit everything into that space.

* Two Book Jackets are provided in case of error; only one book report is required.



Book Jacket Book Report

- Front Cover:** Draw your idea of a picture or design for the book cover. Use color pencils (preferred) or crayons—no magic markers or Sharpies. Include the title and author's name. You can "design" those too.
- Back Cover:** Write a short summary of the book. Don't include your opinion and don't give away the ending—No spoilers, please! 😊
- FC Flap outside:** Title, Author, Illustrator, Genre, Point of View, Author's Purpose
- BC Flap outside:** Your Name (first and last), Date (first Monday of school), list one or two other books you've read that your classmates might enjoy.
- Inside spread:** *Give reasons* you liked or didn't like the book *using quotes from the book*. Include favorite or least favorite part(s)/character(s).
1. Start with an introduction paragraph
 2. Minimum of 2 supporting paragraphs; use quotes from the book
 3. A conclusion paragraph
- Each paragraph should have at least 3 sentences.*
- FC Flap inside:** Tell if you liked or didn't like the book. Don't just write, "I liked it." Be creative, for example: I really liked this book! It had some scary parts but I found that kind of fun. I even continued reading under the covers when I was supposed to be asleep!
- BC Flap inside:** Tell if you recommend or don't recommend the book including reasons. Again, be creative. Example: I liked the book but I don't recommend it for kids who get scared easily. If you like the *Ghost Scouts* series, this book is perfect for you!

This is a schematic of the enclosed Book Jacket on which you will do your book report.

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BACK COVER FLAP OUTSIDE Your information and suggestions	BACK COVER A short summary of the book.	FRONT COVER Your handrawn picture	FRONT COVER FLAP OUTSIDE Book information
FRONT COVER FLAP INSIDE Your opinion	INSIDE SPREAD Provide reasons you like or disliked the book (see above for full details).	INSIDE SPREAD reasons you like or disliked the book (continued)	BACK COVER FLAP INSIDE Your recommendation

Summer Book Ideas

(choosing from this list is not mandatory)

Fantasy & Adventure

Dragon Masters (Series) – *Tracey West*
When Drake is chosen to train a dragon at King Roland's castle, he and other young Dragon Masters uncover secrets, powers, and dangers in a magical world.

The Kingdom of Wrenly (Series) – *Jordan Quinn*
Prince Lucas and his best friend Clara explore mysterious lands filled with fairies, mermaids, trolls, and dragons on kid-friendly adventures.

Zoey and Sassafras (Series) – *Asia Citro*
Young scientist Zoey helps magical creatures with the help of her cat, Sassafras, blending fun with problem-solving and science.

Magic Tree House (Series) – *Mary Pope Osborne*
Siblings Jack and Annie travel through time via a magical treehouse to solve missions involving dinosaurs, ancient Egypt, pirates, and much, much more.

The Never Girls (Series) – *Kiki Thorpe*
Four friends accidentally find a way into Neverland and get caught up in different magical adventures alongside Tinker Bell and other fairies.

The One and Only Ivan – *Katherine Applegate*
Based on a true story, this touching novel tells the tale of Ivan, a gorilla living in captivity, who discovers hope and friendship through art and a baby elephant named Ruby.



Humor

Judy Moody (Series) – *Megan McDonald*
Moody, unpredictable Judy is a third grader with a big personality and a bunch of even bigger adventures, from solving daring mysteries to starting her own interesting clubs. Come join one!



Stink (Series) – *Megan McDonald*
Judy's younger brother Stink has his own hilarious experiences, science experiments, and quirky interests in these shorter, high-energy books. Have some fun with Stink!

Lunch Lady (Graphic Novel Series) – *Jarrett J. Krosoczka*
A secret agent lunch lady and her wacky gadgets battle evil while keeping the school and all the students safe. Action, laughs, and bold comic-style art!

My Weird School (Series) – *Dan Gutman*
With zany teachers like Ms. Daisy and Mr. Klutz, school is anything but normal. Each book offers silly plots and clever wordplay.

The Bad Guys (Series) – *Aaron Blabey*
A gang of "bad guy" animals tries to go good, but their plans hilariously backfire. Fast-paced, with lots of laughs and illustrations.

Dory Fantasmagory (Series) – *Abby Hanlon*
Dory's wild imagination makes life anything but boring. Her pretend friends, monsters, and antics will keep readers giggling.

Mystery

A to Z Mysteries (Series) – Ron Roy

Three kids tackle mysteries around their neighborhood, with each book tied to a letter of the alphabet—from *The Absent Author* to *The Zombie Zone*.

Cam Jansen (Series) – David A. Adler

Cam's photographic memory helps her crack all kinds of everyday mysteries. Readers join in to solve the case alongside her.

The Boxcar Children (Series) – Gertrude Chandler Warner

Four orphaned siblings create a home in a boxcar and go on to solve gentle, wholesome mysteries while staying true to each other.

Ballpark Mysteries (Series) – David A. Kelly

Cousins Mike and Kate travel to major league stadiums solving mysteries that mix sports, friendship, and detective work.

Nate the Great – Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

A young detective with a love of pancakes uses logic and clues to solve simple but puzzling neighborhood mysteries. Great for early chapter readers!

Realistic Fiction

Clementine (Series) – Sara Pennypacker

Spirited and artistic Clementine deals with school troubles, friends, and growing up in this heartwarming and funny series.

Ivy and Bean (Series) – Annie Barrows

Two girls who think they have nothing in common become the best of friends and stir up lots of fun and imaginative mischief together.



Jake the Fake Keeps It Real – Craig Robinson

Jake fakes his way into a performing arts school—but now has to prove he belongs. A hilarious story with laugh-out-loud moments.

Wonder – R.J. Palacio

August Pullman, a boy born with facial differences, attends school for the first time. His journey of kindness, acceptance, and courage inspires readers of all ages.

Ramona Quimby, Age 8 – Beverly Cleary

Ramona tackles third grade, family drama, and her big imagination. Ramona has a classic and relatable take on childhood ups and downs.

Historical & Cultural

Hidden Figures: Young Readers' Edition –

Margot Lee Shetterly

Meet the incredible Black women mathematicians at NASA who helped launch rockets and break barriers in space and society.

Meet Addy (AG series) – Connie Porter

Addy's story of escaping slavery during the Civil War introduces readers to a brave girl determined to keep her family together.

The Year of the Book – Andrea Cheng

Anna, a quiet Chinese-American girl, finds friendship and confidence through her love of books and her changing relationships.

Anna Hibiscus – Atinuke

Living in Nigeria, Anna balances modern life and traditional culture in this sweet, thoughtful series with a strong sense of place.

The Hundred Dresses – Eleanor Estes

A classic about bullying, empathy, and standing up for what's right, told through the eyes of a young girl who regrets staying silent.



Coming to a 4th Grade Near You!

I want to give you a little sneak peek of what's coming up in fourth grade so you can feel excited and get ready. I'll share some fun tips and ideas to help you prepare—but don't worry, it's all just for fun, not homework!

What to Expect in Fourth Grade:

- Before any big test, I'll always tell you at least one week ahead of time, so you'll have plenty of time to study.
- You'll get notes before we start new topics, so you can look them over, ask questions, or even learn more about them ahead of time if you want!
- We will have lots of class discussions where everyone is encouraged to share—whether you read it in a book, saw it in a documentary, or talked about it with your family—all ideas are welcome!

Fun Ways to Learn:

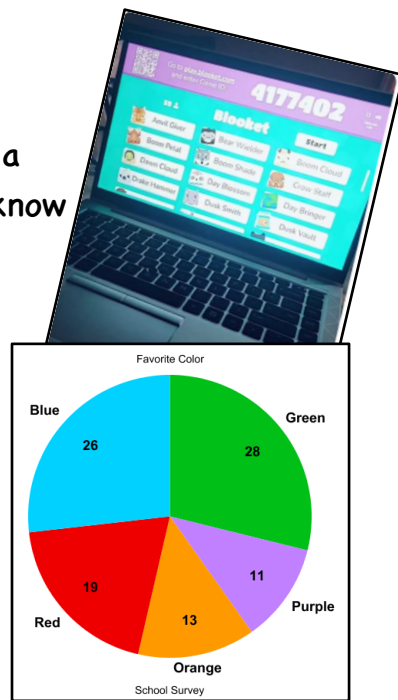
- Before Religion, Social Studies, and Science tests, we'll play a **Blooket Game** to review. It's a great way to see what you know and what you need to study a little bit more!
- We'll be doing great team and solo projects like:
 - Building models of Earth's natural hazards
 - Creating American History timelines
 - Reading awesome books loved by students in years past
 - Doing an actual fossil dig right in the class room

Special Events to Look Forward To:

- Christmas Door Decorating Contest
- Bulletin boards designed and put up by you
- Interactive computer software for Math projects and lessons
- All Saints Day—students pick and dress in costume as their chosen saint

On your mark.. Get Ready... In the next few pages, you'll find:

- Suggested 3rd grade IXL summer review topics (links to lessons at bottom of pages)
- The first 2 spelling lists (50 U.S. states)—for two separate tests at the end of September. (Bonus points for correctly placing the states on a map.)



THIRD GRADE IXL REVIEW:

IN ADDITION TO THE TIMES TABLES, you can review any IXL Skills in which you feel a weakness. Students have access to IXL during the summer using the same login info.

MATH SKILLS

A. Place value

- 1 Place value names up to ten thousands
- 2 Value of a digit up to ten thousands
- 5 Convert between standard and expanded form

C. Rounding

- 2 Round to the nearest ten or hundred
- 3 Round to the nearest ten or hundred in a table

G. Addition: three digits

- 7 Add two numbers up to three digits: word problems
- 8 Complete the addition sentence: up to three digits
- 11 Add three numbers up to three digits each
- 12 Add three numbers up to three digits each: word problems

H. Subtraction: three digits

- 4 Subtract three-digit numbers: with regrouping
- 6 Subtract across zeros
- 7 Subtract numbers up to three digits: word problems
- 8 Complete the subtraction sentence: up to three digits

K. Mixed operations: addition and subtraction

- New! Complete the addition or subtraction sentence: up to three digits
- 5 Add and subtract data from tables
 - 7 Age puzzles

N. Understand multiplication

- 4 Identify multiplication expressions for equal groups
- 9 Write multiplication sentences for arrays
- 14 Compare numbers using multiplication

LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS

MM. Context clues

- 1 Determine the meaning of words using synonyms in context
- 2 Use context to identify the meaning of a word
- 3 Use academic vocabulary in context

OO. Sentences, fragments, run-ons

- 1 Is the sentence a statement, question, command, or exclamation?
- 4 Identify the simple subject or predicate of a sentence
- 7 Is it a complete sentence, a fragment, or a run-on?

PP. Nouns

- 1 Which word is a noun?
- 2 Identify nouns
- 4 Identify common and proper nouns

RR. Verb types

- 2 Identify action verbs
- 3 Identify main verbs and helping verbs

VV. Adjectives and adverbs

- 3 Identify adjectives
- 5 Identify adverbs
- 6 Choose between adjectives and adverbs
- 7 Is the word an adjective or adverb?

One of the first Spelling tests (mid September) will be the 50 states — one test on the eastern states and another on the western states. Correctly placing the states on a blank map on the test will earn extra credit points.

Spelling List / US States

Eastern States

1.	AL	Alabama
2.	CT	Connecticut
3.	DE	Delaware
4.	FL	Florida
5.	GA	Georgia
6.	IL	Illinois
7.	IN	Indiana
8.	KY	Kentucky
9.	ME	Maine
10.	MD	Maryland
11.	MA	Massachusetts
12.	MI	Michigan
13.	NH	New Hampshire
14.	NJ	New Jersey
15.	NY	New York
16.	NC	North Carolina
17.	OH	Ohio
18.	PA	Pennsylvania
19.	RI	Rhode Island
20.	SC	South Carolina
21.	TN	Tennessee
22.	VT	Vermont
23.	VA	Virginia
24.	WV	West Virginia
25.	WI	Wisconsin

Western States

26.	AK	Alaska
27.	AZ	Arizona
28.	AR	Arkansas
29.	CA	California
30.	CO	Colorado
31.	HI	Hawaii
32.	ID	Idaho
33.	IA	Iowa
34.	KS	Kansas
35.	LA	Louisiana
36.	MN	Minnesota
37.	MS	Mississippi
38.	MO	Missouri
39.	MT	Montana
40.	NE	Nebraska
41.	NV	Nevada
42.	NM	New Mexico
43.	ND	North Dakota
44.	OK	Oklahoma
45.	OR	Oregon
46.	SD	South Dakota
47.	TX	Texas
48.	UT	Utah
49.	WA	Washington
50.	WY	Wyoming



STA Fourth Grade Supply List 2025-26

If it's easier, please bring school supplies on first day and cleaning supplies on day two. Since one from each student would be far too many, some items are listed boys only or girls only in order to limit the supply to the expected need for the 2025-26 school year.

- 3 9x12 two-pocket folders, different colors; preferably plastic (it lasts a little longer) but not mandatory if the kids prefer a character, superhero, or more decorative folders. ☺
- 6 Marble, single-subject, college-ruled notebooks, no smaller than 7.5" x 9.75", 80 or 100-pages to last the entire year—preferably **with pages sewn in** rather than the spiral-bound, perforated or glued in since these fall out more easily.
- 3 boxes of 12 Ticonderoga #2 pencils, preferably not pre-sharpened
- 1 box of Crayola Colored pencils (suggested: 36, but 24 would suffice)
- 3 highlighters, any color(s)
- 1 pack 100 sheets of loose-leaf paper, 8 ½ x 11 (not 8 x 10 ½), college ruled, 3-hole-punched (BOYS ONLY)
- 1 pack of 100 sheets of blank white paper, 8 ½ x 11, (not 8 x 10 ½) (GIRLS ONLY)
- 1 Soft, zippered pencil case/pouch (please avoid boxes—they don't fit and fall out of the desk)
- 1 pair of scissors (age-appropriate size)
- 3 boxes of tissues—flat horizontal rather than cube boxes due to storage space (preferably a very soft brand—last year the kids complained about tissues being too coarse/rough on their noses).
- 1 24-28oz. pump-dispenser bottle of hand sanitizer (BOYS ONLY)
- 1 Canister of disinfectant wipes, 75 or 80 count (no soft packets please, the kids forget to close them tightly and they dry out) (GIRLS ONLY)
- 2 rolls of paper towels, preferably jumbo, select-a-size type (easy storage and far less waste)

Optional Items

- 1 Assignment planner— reminder: STA does provide an assignment planner to each student
- 1 Water Bottle: Maximum size 24oz —Larger bottles don't fit on desk with the books while working and they constantly fall off; they will be sent home.

Please do not bring the following items (they will be sent home)

Post-it Notes	Crayons	Pencil Sharpeners*
Sharpies or Magic Markers*	Hand Wipes (we use hand sanitizer)	Pens
White Out Tape/Liquid	Desk accessories that sit on the desk	Glue (stick or liquid)*

* Sharpies, rulers, and electrical pencil sharpeners will be provided in the room, saving space in the students' desks, and a few of your dollars! I have lots and lots of glue leftover from last year.