

Second Grade Curriculum

Little Schoolhouse in the Suburbs.com

BOOKLIST QUICK VIEW

Religion

Saints for Young Readers Volume 1&2
*St. Joseph's Catechism No1**

Poetry

Harp and Laurel Wreath—Berquist*
[Basic lined pages from Notebookingpages.com](#)
DIY at www.handwritingworksheets.com

Language Arts

Phonogram Cards from *Sound Beginnings*
Writing Road to Reading
Faith and Freedom Readers (OR McGuffey's First Reader)
Easy Readers from the Library (list provided)

Math

Math Mammoth Grade 2 (OR Abeka 2 workbook*)

Science

Seasons and Living Things workbook*
[Basic lined pages from Notebookingpages.com](#)

Art & Music

Mommy, It's a Renoir Level 3—Wolfe *
Draw Squad or Dover How to Draw
Some Music Masters CDs*
Lives of the Composers or Venezia books
Let's Learn Music #1—Hayes*

Read Aloud

Burgess Animal Book—Burgess
Minn of the Mississippi—Holling
Paddle to the Sea—Holling
Tales of American Life and Adventure—Edward Eggleston
Jungle Book—Kipling
Farmer Boy—Wilder
Homer Price—McCloskey
[Basic lined pages from Notebookingpages.com](#)

Optional, but BELOVED by my children

[3D Notebooking Pages and Templates](#)
[Nature Journal Notebooking pages](#)
[Composer Notebooking Pages](#)

*Detailed daily lesson plans for these resources can be found in Mother of Divine Grace 2nd Grade Syllabus.

TIME REQUIRED PER SCHOOL DAY: <2 Hours

OPENING (<5 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

Short prayer and special intentions

Saints for Young Readers Volume 1&2

Read saint of the day: "Tell me one thing you remember."

RECITATION (~10 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

Daily, recite

- states and capitals flashcards. Add two per week.
- a review poem
- catechism questions
- work on a stanza from a new poem
- Phonogram cards from *Writing Road to Reading* or *Sound Beginnings*

The Harp and the Laurel Wreath

Spend one to two weeks per stanza.

___ The Owl and the Pussy Cat

___ The Duel

___ Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

___ The Turtle

___ Psalm 100

RELIGION (~10 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

St. Joseph Baltimore Catechism—No 1

Read one lesson every other week and recite the prayers and questions daily.

___ Lesson 1

___ Lesson 6

___ Lesson 11

___ Lesson 2

___ Lesson 7

___ Lesson 12

___ Lesson 3

___ Lesson 8

___ Lesson 13

___ Lesson 4

___ Lesson 9

___ Lesson 14

___ Lesson 5

___ Lesson 10

READING (10 min day, 30 min evening)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

Writing Road to Reading

Go over phonograms daily, adding 2 new ones each week. Dictate 6-10 words from Ayers list in the back of WRTR to learn markings and rules.

Faith and Freedom Readers (Catholic) or *McGuffey's First Reader*, at pace.

Read one story daily. Repeat story if it was very difficult the day before.

Easy Readers

Have child read 30 minutes aloud each night after dinner. Books on my list are ordered from easiest to hardest according to Accelerated Reader rating.

WRITING (5 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

I use www.handwritingworksheets.com to generate traceable versions of their poetry stanza for the week. On Thursday, they copy the stanza into their notebooks and Friday, they illustrate it.

If the child is super excited, you may begin cursive. We use *Handwriting Without Tears* and I allow them to work at any pace they like, in any order they like, as long as they do at least half a page a day.

ARITHMETIC (20 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

Math Mammoth Grade 2

As far as you can get in 20 minutes. Then STOP. An average about two pages a day completes the book.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Some Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Number Rainbows—13 and 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding and Subtracting Within 0-100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 13 and 14 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinal Numbers | <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 16 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doubling | <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 17 and 18 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One-Half | <input type="checkbox"/> Review |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fourths | <input type="checkbox"/> Adding with Whole Tens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Subtracting Whole Tens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review—Whole and Half Hours | <input type="checkbox"/> Regrouping with Tens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Minutes | <input type="checkbox"/> Going Over to the Next Ten |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Minutes, Part 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Add with Two-Digit Numbers Ending in 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Past and Till in Five-Minute Intervals | <input type="checkbox"/> Add in Columns Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> How Many Hours Pass? | <input type="checkbox"/> Add Two-Digit Numbers Ending in 8 or 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Calendar: Weekdays and Months | <input type="checkbox"/> Addition Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Calendar: Dates | <input type="checkbox"/> Many Addends |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Subtracting in Columns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review: Completing the Next Whole Ten | <input type="checkbox"/> Regrouping (Borrowing), Part 1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review: Going Over Ten | <input type="checkbox"/> Regrouping (Borrowing), Part 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding with 9 | <input type="checkbox"/> Regrouping (Borrowing), Part 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding with 8 | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphs and Problems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding with 7 | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Subtraction Methods |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding with 6 60 | <input type="checkbox"/> Euclid's Game |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review—Facts with 6, 7, and 8 | <input type="checkbox"/> Review 1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Subtract to Ten 63 | <input type="checkbox"/> Review 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Subtraction and the Difference | <input type="checkbox"/> Counting Coins Review |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Number Rainbows—11 and 12 | <input type="checkbox"/> Change |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 11 | <input type="checkbox"/> Dollars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fact Families with 12 | <input type="checkbox"/> Counting Change |

SCIENCE (20 minutes)

ONCE WEEKLY

Science and Living Things (average 1 worksheet each week)

A Nature Journal entry

GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY (~15 minutes)

ONCE WEEKLY

Personal Map Project: Draw/trace maps of the following locations and put them in your notebook.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> neighborhood | <input type="checkbox"/> county | <input type="checkbox"/> country | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> church route | <input type="checkbox"/> state | <input type="checkbox"/> continent | |

Family Tree Notebook: Chart, locate on map, and find out about area at that time. Talk to relatives.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Me | <input type="checkbox"/> Dad's Parents (2+ lessons) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mom | <input type="checkbox"/> Mom's Grandparents (4+ lessons) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dad | <input type="checkbox"/> Dad's Grandparents(4+ lessons) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mom's Parents (2+ lessons) | |

READ ALOUDS (30 minutes)

FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

When I started using Charlotte Mason curriculum, I was so in love with all the delicious reading, my kids' 3Rs really suffered. K-3, it's more important to master those basic skills, so the space on the page reflects the importance of the previous subjects. We don't narrate fiction, but we do notebook the science, history, and geography readings. "Tel I me three things you remember about foxes."

- ___ *Jungle Book*—Kipling
- ___ *Farmer Boy*—Wilder
- ___ *Homer Price*—McCloskey
- ___ *Burgess Animal Book*—Burgess
- ___ *Minn of the Mississippi*—Holling

- ___ *Paddle to the Sea*—Holling
- ___ Tall Tale Collection (We like *Jack Tales*)
- ___ *Tales of American Life and Adventure*—
Edward Eggleston

MUSIC (30 minutes)

ONCE WEEKLY

Music Masters. Listen to the story portion of one CD. Next week, just listen to the music portion and read a library book by Venezia or section from *Lives of the Composers*. The second resource, while memorable, requires some paraphrasing for the juiciest bits. Narrate and notebook.

Let's Learn Music #1—Hayes . 1-2 worksheets per week.

ART (20 minutes)

ONCE WEEKLY

Mommy, It's a Renoir Advanced The child will likely master the matching quickly, so according to your child's interest and learning style, do a picture study, tell stories about the pictures, play memory, listen to something about the artist, try to paint one, try to memorize what's in the in picture and tell/sketch without looking. OR pick up a picture books by Venezia about an artist from the library (or read some from *Lives of the Artists* if you're game...see notes on *Composers* book above.)

Draw Squad-Kistrel or *Dover How to Draw*—We work out of one or both books each week. Our notebook illustrations have really improved

Our Schedule

M-TH

Opening (5 min)

Recitation (~10 minutes)

Writing (5 min)

Reading (10 min)

'Rithmetic (20 min)

Religion (10 min)

Science or Geography (15 min)

Read Alouds (30 min)

Evening reading (20-30 min)

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Opening (5 min)

'Rithmetic (20 min)

Music (30 min)

Art (20 min)

Notebooking (free choice)

Read Alouds (30 min)

Classic Easy Readers Arranged According to Difficulty

The Foot Book	Seuss, Dr.	0.6
Zoom on My Broom	Farber, Erica	0.7
Cat and Dog	Minarik, Else Holmelund	0.8
The Eye Book	Seuss, Dr.	0.8
Great Day for Up!	Seuss, Dr.	0.8
Marvin K. Mooney Will You Please Go Now!	Seuss, Dr.	1.1
Go, Dog. Go!	Eastman, P.D.	1.2
Wacky Wednesday	(Dr Seuss) LeSieg, Theo.	1.3
Who Will Be My Friends?	Hoff, Syd	1.4
Put Me in the Zoo	Lopshire, Robert	1.4
A Kiss for Little Bear	Minarik, Else Holmelund	1.4
Green Eggs and Ham	Seuss, Dr.	1.5
Hop on Pop	Seuss, Dr.	1.5
Hooper Humperdink...? Not Him!	(Dr Seuss) LeSieg, Theo.	1.5
Are You My Mother?	Eastman, P.D.	1.6
Big Dog...Little Dog	Eastman, P.D.	1.7
Sam and the Firefly	Eastman, P.D.	1.7
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish	Seuss, Dr.	1.7
Shape of Me and Other Stuff	Seuss, Dr.	1.7
Piggle	Bonsall, Crosby	1.8
Danny and the Dinosaur Go to Camp	Hoff, Syd	1.8
I Want to Be Somebody New!	Lopshire, Robert	1.8
Amelia Bedelia Goes Camping	Parish, Peggy	1.8
Mr. Brown Can Moo! Can You?	Seuss, Dr.	1.8
Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!	Seuss, Dr.	1.8
Chester	Hoff, Syd	1.9
Happy Birthday, Danny and the Dinosaur!	Hoff, Syd	1.9
A Fly Went By	McClintock, Mike	1.9
Teach Us, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	1.9
The Case of the Scaredy Cats	Bonsall, Crosby	2
Flap Your Wings	Eastman, P.D.	2
Grizzwold	Hoff, Syd	2

Sammy the Seal	Hoff, Syd	2
Amelia Bedelia and the Baby	Parish, Peggy	2
The Best Nest	Eastman, P.D.	2.1
Julius	Hoff, Syd	2.1
Little Chief	Hoff, Syd	2.1
Oliver	Hoff, Syd	2.1
Father Bear Comes Home	Minarik, Else Holmelund	2.1
Come Back, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.1
Good Work, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.1
Merry Christmas, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.1
Big Max	Platt, Kin	2.1
The Cat in the Hat	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
The Cat in the Hat Comes Back	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
Dr. Seuss's ABC	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
Fox in Socks	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
I Am Not Going to Get Up Today!	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
There's a Wocket in My Pocket!	Seuss, Dr.	2.1
The Tooth Book	(Dr Seuss) LeSieg, Theo.	2.1
Barney's Horse	Hoff, Syd	2.2
Captain Cat	Hoff, Syd	2.2
Little Bear's Friend	Minarik, Else Holmelund	2.2
Big Max and the Mystery of the Missing Giraffe	Platt, Kin	2.2
I Can Read with My Eyes Shut!	Seuss, Dr.	2.2
Because a Little Bug Went Ka-Choo!	(Dr Seuss) Stone, Rosetta	2.2
I Wish That I Had Duck Feet	(Dr Seuss) LeSieg, Theo.	2.2
Please Try to Remember the First of October!	(Dr Seuss) LeSieg, Theo.	2.2
The Case of the Cat's Meow	Bonsall, Crosby	2.3
The Case of the Hungry Stranger	Bonsall, Crosby	2.3
Arturo's Baton	Hoff, Syd	2.3
Danny and the Dinosaur	Hoff, Syd	2.3
The Horse in Harry's Room	Hoff, Syd	2.3
Mrs. Brice's Mice	Hoff, Syd	2.3
Stanley	Hoff, Syd	2.3

Small Pig	Lobel, Arnold	2.3
Little Bear's Visit	Minarik, Else Holmelund	2.3
Amelia Bedelia and the Surprise Shower	Parish, Peggy	2.3
Amelia Bedelia Helps Out	Parish, Peggy	2.3
Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.3
Mouse Soup	Lobel, Arnold	2.4
Little Bear	Minarik, Else Holmelund	2.4
Days with Frog and Toad	Lobel, Arnold	2.5
Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.5
The Case of the Double Cross	Bonsall, Crosby	2.6
Duncan the Dancing Duck	Hoff, Syd	2.6
Frog and Toad All Year	Lobel, Arnold	2.6
Uncle Elephant	Lobel, Arnold	2.6
No Fighting, No Biting!	Minarik, Else Holmelund	2.6
Thank You, Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	2.6
The Lighthouse Children	Hoff, Syd	2.7
Owl at Home	Lobel, Arnold	2.7
The Cat's Quizzer	Seuss, Dr.	2.7
The Fire Cat	Averill, Esther	2.9
Frog and Toad Are Friends	Lobel, Arnold	2.9
Frog and Toad Together	Lobel, Arnold	2.9
Grasshopper on the Road	Lobel, Arnold	2.9
Hunches in Bunches	Seuss, Dr.	2.9
I Can Lick 30 Tigers Today	Seuss, Dr.	2.9
What Was I Scared Of?	Seuss, Dr.	2.9
The Frogs and Toads All Sang	Lobel, Arnold	3
Mouse Tales	Lobel, Arnold	3
How the Grinch Stole Christmas	Seuss, Dr.	3
Happy Birthday to You!	Seuss, Dr.	3.1
Horton Hatches the Egg	Seuss, Dr.	3.1
The Lorax	Seuss, Dr.	3.1
Giant John	Lobel, Arnold	3.2
Bartholomew and the Oobleck	Seuss, Dr.	3.2
Daisy-Head Mayzie	Seuss, Dr.	3.2
The Big Brag	Seuss, Dr.	3.3

Horton Hears a Who!	Seuss, Dr.	3.3
Oh, the Places You'll Go!	Seuss, Dr.	3.3
Yertle the Turtle and Other Stories	Seuss, Dr.	3.3
A Treeful of Pigs	Lobel, Arnold	3.4
The Sneetches and Other Stories	Seuss, Dr.	3.4
Thidwick the Big-Hearted Moose	Seuss, Dr.	3.4
Did I Ever Tell You How Lucky You Are?	Seuss, Dr.	3.5
Gerald McBoing Boing	Seuss, Dr.	3.5
Ming Lo Moves the Mountain	Lobel, Arnold	3.6
And to Think That I Saw It On Mulberry Street	Seuss, Dr.	3.6
I Had Trouble in Getting to Solla Sollew	Seuss, Dr.	3.6
McElligot's Pool	Seuss, Dr.	3.6
Hooray for Diffendoofer Day!	Seuss, Dr.	3.8
On the Day Peter Stuyvesant Sailed into Town	Lobel, Arnold	3.9
The Butter Battle Book	Seuss, Dr.	3.9
If I Ran the Circus	Seuss, Dr.	3.9
The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins	Seuss, Dr.	4
Dr. Seuss's Sleep Book	Seuss, Dr.	4
Oh Say Can You Say?	Seuss, Dr.	4
If I Ran the Zoo	Seuss, Dr.	4.1
The King's Stilts	Seuss, Dr.	4.1
Fables	Lobel, Arnold	4.2
On Beyond Zebra	Seuss, Dr.	4.2
Scrambled Eggs Super!	Seuss, Dr.	4.4
The Rose in My Garden	Lobel, Arnold	4.9
You're Only Old Once!	Seuss, Dr.	5.2