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Elementary Program Second Grade Curriculum Guide

Bible - Purposeful Design

The Purposeful Design Bible series focuses on the foundational teachings from the Bible about the nature and character of God, the qualities of His people, and His church. Students are given an overview of the Bible, with an emphasis on God's attributes, biblical characters, the early Church, and what it means to know Jesus Christ and live for Him.

Our second graders focus on Bible heroes and character traits of each.

Math – Bob Jones

Math 2 develops understanding of place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Manipulatives are used to help students visualize the math concepts they learn. Basic word problems are introduced to exercise students' problem solving skills.

Writing - Lucy Calkins

The Lucy Calkins second grade writing series consists of four units.

- Unit 1: Lessons from the Masters: Improving Narrative Writing - students learn how to create engaging narratives by stretching out small moments and writing in detail
- Unit 2: Lab Reports and Science Books - inspirational nonfiction texts help students design and write about experiments and other scientific information
- Unit 3: Writing About Reading - students read closely and gather evidence from texts to craft persuasive arguments
- Unit 4: Poetry: Big Thoughts in Small Packages – students learn to use line breaks to express the meaning and rhythm they intend and use visualization and figures of speech to make their writing more clear and powerful

Grammar - Multisensory Grammar/Write Source Skills Book

Multisensory Grammar provides a concrete, colorful method for teaching the functions of parts of speech and sentence structure. Routines are put into place for introducing and reinforcing the parts of speech, and strategies that promote students' use of fundamental grammar in oral and written expression.

The *Write Source Skillsbook* provides daily practice for grammar, usage and mechanics.

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Handwriting - Zaner-Bloser

Second graders are introduced to basic cursive strokes: undercurve, downcurve, overcurve, and slant strokes. They work on manuscript and cursive uppercase letters, lowercase letters, and numerals 1-10, as well as cursive joinings.

Spelling – Bob Jones

Spelling 2 reinforces spelling patterns and introduces the most common structural generalizations. Students apply the spelling and composition skills, practice dictionary skills and work on Bible word studies.

Reading – Bob Jones

Reading 2 encourages higher-level thinking, emphasizes character traits, Biblical principles and truths, and helps students grow in reading comprehension with compelling stories.

Social Studies - Pearson My World – We Do Our Part

With an integrated and interactive curriculum, stories from our world engage students and help develop thoughtful citizens. Lessons apply inquiry processes, practice reading and writing, and involve collaboration and communication skills. The second grade Social Studies theme is called We Do Our Part and focuses on the following contents:

- My Community
- My Country
- Working to Meet Our Needs
- The World Around Us
- Celebrating Our Traditions
- Our Nation Past and Present

Science - Bob Jones

Science 2 teaches the student how to use science process skills to learn and tell about God's creation. The program focuses on what scientists do, living things, plants, environments, fossils and dinosaurs, the layers and features of the earth, how the earth moves, natural resources, light, forces and motion, and how the body works.

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