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Second Grade ELA Scope & Sequence 2025-2026

District Testing Windows:

| DIBELS/iReady Testing Windows To be given during Future Ready | Mastery Connect Benchmark Testing Windows To be given during Core Instruction- days allotted in Scope & Sequence |
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| Fall Window: August 11-August 29 | Fall Window: September 15-19 |
| Winter Window: December 1-12 | Winter Window: December 1-12 |
| Spring Window: April 27-May 8 | Spring Window February 23-March 27 |

Important Links:

| PCSS 2nd Grade ELA folder | TN ELA Standards | ELPA Standards |
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| ELA Prep Documents Folder | Standards Crosswalk | Vertical alignment document |
| Curriculum Maps | Educator Notes | PCSS Calendar |
| IPGs | TN Writing Rubric | |

| Quarter 1 (44 Days) | | |
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| Week | Unit | Lessons |
| 1 | Domain 1: Fairy Tales and Tall Tales | Flex day (2 days) Lesson 1: The Fisherman and His Wife Lesson 2: The Emperor's New Clothes Lesson 3: Beauty and the Beast, Part 1 |
| August 4-8 | Unit 1 | Flex days (2 days) Lesson 1: Back-to-School: Basic Code Review Lesson 2: Back-to-School: Basic Code Review Lesson 3: Back-to-School: Basic Code Review |
| 2 | Domain 1: Fairy Tales and Tall Tales | Lesson 4: Beauty and The Beast, Part 2 Pausing Point Lesson 5: Paul Bunyan Lesson 6: Pecos Bill Lesson 7: John Henry |
| August 11-15 | Unit 1 | Lesson 4: Back-to-School: Basic Code Review Lesson 5: Back-to-School: Basic Code Review Lesson 6: Placement Assessment: Story Reading Assessment Lesson 7: Placement Assessment: Word Reading and Story Reading Assessments Lesson 8: Placement Assessment: Word Reading and Story Reading Assessments |
| 3 | Domain 1: Fairy Tales and Tall Tales Domain 2: Early Asian Civilizations | Lesson 8: Casey Jones Domain Review/Assessment Culminating Activities Flex Day: TN Writing Rubric Grade 2.pdf (Introduce: Lesson Plan Coming Soon) Lesson 1: The Indus River Valley, Part 1 |
| August 18-22 | Unit 1 | Lesson 9: Placement Assessment: Work Reading and Story Reading Assessments Lesson 10: Placement Assessment: Word Reading Assessment Lesson 11: Review: Tricky Words and Spelling Alternatives Lesson 12: Review: Tricky Words and Spelling Alternatives Pausing Point |

| 4 August 25-29 | Domain 2: Early Asian Civilizations | Lesson 2: The Indus River Valley, Part 2 Lesson 3: Hinduism Lesson 4: The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal Lesson 5: The Blind Men and the Elephant Lesson 6: Diwali | |
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| | Unit 1 | Lesson 13: Basic Code Review: Two-Syllable Words with Short Vowels Lesson 14: Review: Tricky Words and Tricky Spelling 'g' Lesson 15: Assessment and Review: Spelling Assessment and Tricky Spelling 'c' Lesson 16: Review: Spelling Alternatives Lesson 17: Review: Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Words | |
| 5 Sept 1: | Domain 2: Early Asian Civilizations | Lesson 7: Buddhism Pausing Point Lesson 8: The Yellow and the Yangtze Rivers Lesson 9: Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy | |
| Labor Day Sept. 2-5 | Unit 1 | Lesson 18: Review: Tricky Words and Spelling Alternatives Lesson 19: Review: Tricky Words Lesson 20: Assessment and Review: Spelling Assessment and Tricky Spelling 's' Lesson 21: Review: Sound/Spellings and Tricky Words | |
| 6 | Domain 2: Early Asian Civilizations | Lesson 10: The Magic Paintbrush Lesson 11: The Importance of Silk Lesson 12: China's Great Wall Lesson 13: Confucius Lesson 14: Chinese New Year | |
| Sept. 8-12 | Unit 1 | Lesson 22: Assessment: End-of-Unit Assessment Pausing Point Lesson 1: Basic Code: Review /ae/-'a_e' and /ie/- 'i_e' | |
| | Unit 2 | Lesson 2: Basic Code: Review /oe/-'o_e' and /ue/-'u_e' Lesson 3: Spelling Alternatives: Review /ee/-'ee' and 'ea' | |
| | Mastery Connect Benchmark 1 ELA Window: Sept. 15 - 19; Give during core instruction. | | |

| 7 | Domain 2: Early Asian Civilizations | Mastery Connect Benchmark 1 Mastery Connect Benchmark 1 Review Domain Review & Domain Assessment Culminating Activities Flex day: TN Writing Prompt: "Bird Lessons" |
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| Sept. 15-19 | Unit 2 | Lesson 4: Review: Tricky Words and Quotation Marks Lesson 5: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment Lesson 6: Writing: Plan a Fictional Narrative Lesson 7: Writing: Draft a Fictional Narrative Lesson 8: Writing: Edit a Fictional Narrative |
| 8 | Domain 3: The Ancient Greek Civilization | Lesson 1: The Ancient Greeks Lesson 2: Mount Olympus, Part I Lesson 3: Mount Olympus, Part II Lesson 4: The Olympic Games Lesson 5: All for Sparta |
| Sept. 22-26 | Unit 2 | Pausing Point- Vocabulary Toolkit : Context Clues Lesson 9: Grammar: Commas and Quotation Marks Lesson 10: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment Lesson 11: Grammar: Quotations Marks and Contractions Lesson 12: Writing: Draft a Narrative Book Report |
| 9 | Domain 3: The Ancient Greek Civilization | Lesson 6: Athens and the Olive Tree Lesson 7: Athens: The Birthplace of Democracy Pausing Point (2 days) Lesson 8: Marathon |
| Sept. 29 - Oct. 3 | Unit 2 | Lesson 13: Writing: Edit a Narrative Book Report Lesson 14: Writing: Edit and Write a Final Copy Lesson 15: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment Lesson 16: Unit Assessment: Dictation, Identification, Comprehension, and Fluency Pausing Point |

| Quarter 2 (42 Days) | | |
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| Week | Unit | Lessons |
| 10 | Domain 3: The Ancient Greek Civilization | Lesson 9: Thermopylae: The Persians Strike Again Lesson 10: The Great Thinkers of Greece Lesson 11: Alexander the Great, Part I Lesson 12: Alexander the Great, Part II Domain Review/Assessment |
| October 20-24 | Unit 3 | Lesson 1: Spelling Alternative: The /ae/ Sound and Its Spellings Lesson 2: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /ae/-'ai' and 'ay' Lesson 3: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /ae/-'a' and Tricky Spelling 'a' Lesson 4: Spelling Alternatives: Tricky Spelling 'a'-/a/ and /ae/ Pausing Point |
| 11 | Domain 3: The Ancient Greek Civilization Domain 4: Greek Myths | Culminating Activities Lesson 1: The Twelve Gods of Mount Olympus Lesson 2: Prometheus and Pandora Lesson 3: Demeter and Persephone Lesson 4: Arachne the Weaver |
| October 27-31 | Unit 3 | Lesson 5: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 6: Spelling Alternatives: The /oe/ Sound and Its Spellings Lesson 7: Spelling Alternatives: Review /oe/-'oa' and 'oe' Lesson 8: Spelling alternatives: Tricky Spelling 'o'-/o/ and /oe/ Pausing Point |

| 12 | Domain 4: Greek Myths | Lesson 5: Theseus and the Minotaur Lesson 6: Daedalus and Icarus Pausing Point (2 days) Lesson 7: Hercules |
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| November 3-7 | Unit 3 | Lesson 9: Spelling Alternatives: Tricky Spelling 'o'-/o/ and /oe Lesson 10: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 11: Spelling Alternatives: The /ie/ Sound and Its Spellings Lesson 12: Spelling Alternatives and Grammar: Review /ie/ and Common and Proper Nouns Lesson 13: Spelling Alternatives: Tricky Spelling 'i'-/i/ and /ie/ |
| 13 | Domain 4: Greek Myths | Lesson 8: Other Adventures of Hercules Lesson 9: Oedipus and the Riddle of the Sphinx Lesson 10: Atalanta and the Golden Apples Domain Review & Domain Assessment Culminating Activities |
| November 10-14 | Unit 3 | Lesson 14: Grammar: Capitalization and Punctuation Lesson 15: Assessment: Spelling and Mid-Point Dictation Identification Lesson 16: Spelling Alternatives: The /ue/ Sound and Its Spellings Lesson 17: Spelling Alternatives Review /ue/-'u_e', 'u', and 'ue' Lesson 18: Spelling Alternatives: Review /ue/-'u_e', 'u', and 'ue' |
| 14 | Domain 5: The War of 1812 | Lesson 1: America in 1812, Part I Lesson 2: America in 1812, Part II Lesson 3: Mr. and Mrs. Madison Lesson 4: Another War Already? Pausing Point |
| November 17-21 | Unit 3 | Lesson 19: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /aw/-'aw' and 'au' Lesson 20: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 21: Writing: Elements of a Personal Narrative Pausing Point Lesson 22: Writing: Plan and Draft a Personal Narrative |
| 15 November | Domain 5: The War of 1812 | Pausing Point Lesson 5: The Attack on Washington D.C. |

| Nov 26-28: Thanksgiving | Unit 3 | Lesson 23: Writing: Plan and Draft a Personal Narrative Lesson 24: Writing: Edit a Personal Narrative |
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| | ELA Mastery Connect Benchmark 2 Window: December 1-5; Give during core instruction. | | |
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| 16 | Domain 5: The War of 1812 | Lesson 6: Broad Stripes and Bright Stars Lesson 7: The Battle After the War Lesson 8: Peace and Pirates Mastery Connect Benchmark 2 Mastery Connect Benchmark 2 Review | |
| December 1-5 | Unit 3 | Pausing Point | |
| | Unit 4 | Lesson 25: Unit Assessment: Dictation Identification, Reading Comprehension, and Grammar Lesson 1: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /er/-'er', 'ir', and 'ur' Lesson 2: Spelling Alternatives: Review /er-'er', 'ir', and 'ur' Lesson 3: Spelling Alternative: Introduce /i/-'y' | |
| 17 December 8-12 | Domain 5: The War of 1812 Domain 6: Cycles of Nature | Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities Lesson 1: The Cycle of Daytime and Nighttime Lesson 2: The Reasons for Seasons Lesson 3: Four Seasons in One Year | |
| | Unit 4 | Lesson 4: Review: Tricky Spelling 'i' Lesson 5: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 6: Tricky Spelling: Introduce 'y'-/y/, /i/, or /ie/ Lesson 7: Grammar: Plural Nouns and Apostrophe-'s' Lesson 8: Tricky Spelling: Review 'o'-/o/ or /oe/ | |
| 18 | Christmas | Christmas Activities | |

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| December 15-19 | | Lesson 9: Tricky Spelling: Introduce 'ow'-/oe/ or /ou/ |
| | Unit 4 | Pausing Point Lesson 10: Assessment and Grammar: Spelling Assessment and Irregular Plural Nouns |
| | Sine 4 | Lesson 11: Tricky Spelling: Introduce 'e'-/ee/ or /e/ |
| | | Flex day |

| Quarter 3 (48 Days) | | |
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| Week | Unit | Lessons |
| 19 | Domain 6: Cycles of Nature | Lesson 4: The Life Cycle of a Plant Lesson 5: The Life Cycles of Trees Pausing Point Lesson 6: Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg? Lesson 7: The Life Cycle of a Frog |
| January 5-9 | Unit 4 | Lesson 12: Grammar and Writing: Review Proper Nouns and Introduce Persuasive Writing Lesson 13: Grammar and Writing: Proper Nouns and Persuasive Writing Pausing Point Lesson 14: Grammar and Writing: Introduce Verb: to be and Persuasive Writing Lesson 15: Assessment and Writing: Edit a Persuasive Letter |
| 20 | Domain 6: Cycles of Nature | Lesson 8: The Life Cycle of a Butterfly Lesson 9: The Water Cycle Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities Flex day: TN Writing Prompt: "Ferris Wheel" |
| January 12-16 | Unit 4 | Lesson 16: Writing: Edit and Publish a Persuasive Letter Lesson 17: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /ee/-'y' and 'ey' Lesson 18: Review: Tricky Spelling 'y' Lesson 19: Grammar: Present and Past Tense of the Verb: to be |

| | | Lesson 20: Assessment and Review: Spelling Assessment and Grammar |
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| 21 Jan 19: MLK, Jr. Day | Domain 7: Westward Expansion | Lesson 1: Going West Lesson 2: Mr. Fulton's Journey Lesson 3: The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal Lesson 4: The Story of Sequoyah |
| January 20-23 | Unit 4 | Lesson 21: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /aw/-'al', 'au', and 'aw' Pausing Point- Vocabulary Toolkit: Compound Words Lesson 22: Unit Assessment: Reading Comprehension and Grammar Lesson 23: Unit Assessment: Fluency and Dictation Identification |
| 22 | Domain 7: Westward Expansion | Lesson 5: The Trail of Tears Pausing Point Lesson 6: Westward on the Oregon Trail Lesson 7: The Pony Express Lesson 8: Working on the Transcontinental Railroad |
| January 26-30 | Unit 4 | Lesson 24: Unit Assessment: Fluency and Dictation Identification |
| | Unit 5 | Lesson 25: Unit Assessment: Fluency and Dictation Identification Lesson 1: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /u/-'o', 'ou', and 'o_e' Lesson 2: Spelling Alternatives: Review /u/-'o' and 'u' Lesson 3: Spelling Alternatives: Review /u/-'ou' and 'o_e' |
| | Domain 7: Westward Expansion | Lesson 9: The Buffalo Hunters Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities |
| 23 | Domain 8: Insects | Lesson 1: Insects Everywhere! Lesson 2: What Makes an Insect and Insect? |
| February 2-6 | Unit 5 | Lesson 4: Grammar: Adjectives Pausing Point Lesson 5: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment Lesson 6: Grammar: Subject and Predicate Lesson 7: Spelling Alternatives: /ə/-'a' and 'e' |

| 24 | Domain 8: Insects | Lesson 3: Life Cycles of Insects Lesson 4: Social Insects: Bees and Wasps Lesson 5: Social Insects: Ants and Termites Pausing Point Lesson 6: Insects that Glow and Sing |
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| February 9-13 | Unit 5 | Lesson 8: Spelling Alternatives: Review /ə/-'a' and 'e' Pausing Point Lesson 9: Review Apostrophes Lesson 10: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 11: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /ə/+/l/-'ul', 'al', and 'il' |
| 25 Feb 16: Presidents Day | Domain 8: Insects | Lesson 7: Armored Tanks of the Insect World Lesson 8: Friend or Foe? Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities |
| February 17-20 | Unit 5 | Lesson 12: Review: Spelling Alternatives for /u/ and /ə/ Lesson 13: Spellings Alternatives: Introduce /ə/+/l/-/el/ and 'le' and Syllable Review Lesson 14: Spelling Alternatives: Review /u/, /ə/, and /ə/+/l/ Lesson 15: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment |
| | | ELA Mastery Connect Benchmark 3 Window: February 23 - 27; Give during core instruction. |
| 26 | Domain 9: The Civil War | Mastery Connect Benchmark 3 Mastery Connect Benchmark 3 Review Flex day- TN Writing Prompt: "A Great Idea" Lesson 1: Harriet Tubman, Part I Lesson 2: Harriet Tubman, Part II |
| February 23-27 | Unit 5 | Lesson 16: Review: Suffix -tion Lesson 17: Writing: Plan a Narrative Ending Lesson 18: Writing: Plan a Narrative Ending Lesson 19: Draft and Edit a Narrative Ending Pausing Point |

| 27 March 2-6 | Domain 9 The U.S. Civil War | Lesson 3: The Controversy Over Slavery Lesson 4: Abraham Lincoln Lesson 5: The Division of the United States Pausing Point Lesson 6: The War Begins |
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| | Unit 5 | Lesson 20: Review and Practice: Spelling Assessment Pausing Point Lesson 21: Review 'a'-/a/, /ae/, or /ə/ Lesson 22: Tricky Spelling: Introduce 'e'-/e/, /ee/, or /ə/ Lesson 23: Tricky Spellings: Introduce 'o'-/o/, /oe/, or /u/ |
| 28 | Domain 9 The U.S. Civil War | Lesson 7: Robert E. Lee Lesson 8: Clara Barton Lesson 9: The Emancipation Proclamation Lesson 10: Ulysses S. Grant Lesson 11: The End of the War |
| March 9-13 | Unit 5 | Lesson 24: Tricky Spelling: Introduce 'o_e'-/oe/ or /u/ Lesson 25: Assessment and Tricky Spelling: Spelling Assessment and Introduce 'ou'-/ou/ or /u/ Lesson 26: Unit Assessment: Reading Comprehension and Grammar Lesson 27: Unit Assessment: Decoding and Alphabetizing Lesson 28: Review and Assessment: Individual Assessments and Review Activities |

| Quarter 4 (44 Days) | | |
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| Week | Unit | Lessons |
| 29 March 23-27 | Domain 9 The U.S. Civil War Domain 10: Human Body | Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities Lesson 1: The Amazing Human Body Lesson 2: Anton van Leeuwenhoek Lesson 3: Cells and Tissues |
| | Unit 5 | Lesson 29: Review and Assessment: Individual Assessments and Review Activities Lesson 30: Review and Assessment: Individual Assessments and Review Activities Lesson 1: Spelling Alternatives: Introduce /f/-'ph' Lesson 2: Reading: Text Features in Informational Text |
| | Unit 6 | Lesson 3: Spelling Alternatives and Reading: Introduce /e/ -'ea' and Text Features in Informational Text |
| 30 March 30- April 2 April 3: Easter Break | Domain 10: Human Body | Lesson 4: Organs Pausing Point: TN Writing Prompt: "Homework" Pausing Point Lesson 5: The Digestive System Lesson 6: The Excretory System |
| | Unit 6 | Lesson 4: Reading: Informational Text Lesson 5: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 6: Reading: Informational Text Lesson 7: Reading and Grammar: Informational Text and Adverbs Lesson 8: Reading and Spelling Alternatives: Informational Text and Introduce /er/-'ar', 'or' |

| 31 | Domain 10: Human Body | Flex Day Lesson 7: Nutrients Lesson 8: A Well-Balanced Diet Lesson 9: A Healthy Human Body Domain Review/Domain Assessment |
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| April 6: Easter Break April 7-10 | Unit 6 | Lesson 9: Grammar: Adverbs Pausing Point- Vocabulary Toolkit: Print & Digital References Lesson 10: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 11: Reading: Informational Text Lesson 12: Grammar: Adverbs, Adjectives, and Complete Sentences |
| 32 | TCAP Week | TCAP |
| April 13-17 | Unit 6 | TCAP Lesson 13: Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Spelling: Introduce /ee/-'i Pausing Point |
| 33 | Domain 11: Immigration Knowledge Curriculum Map | Culminating Activities Lesson 1: E Pluribus Unum Lesson 2: Charles Steinmetz Comes to America Lesson 3: Life in the City Lesson 4: From Ireland to New York City |
| April 20-24 | Unit 6 | Lesson 14: Review: Tricky Spelling 'i' Lesson 15: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 16: Reading: Close Reading Lesson 17: Grammar: Building Sentences Lesson 18: Grammar: Building Sentences |

| 34 April 21 - May 1 | Domain 11: Immigration | Lesson 5: Gold Mountain Lesson 6: A Land of Opportunity Pausing Point Lesson 7: A Mosaic of Immigrants Lesson 8: Becoming a Citizen |
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| | Unit 6 | Lesson 19: Reading: Informational Text Lesson 20: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 21: Reading: Informational Text Lesson 22: Reading: Close Reading Pausing Point |
| 35 May 4-8 | Domain 11: Immigration | Lesson 9: We the People Lesson 10: Immigration and Citizenship Domain Review, Domain Assessment Culminating Activities Flex day |
| May 5: Election Day | Unit 6 | Lesson 23: Writing: Paragraph Writing Lesson 24: Reading: Close Reading Lesson 25: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 26: Reading: Close Reading |
| 36 May 11-15 | Domain 12: Fighting for a Cause | Lesson 1: People Who Fought for a Cause Lesson 2: Susan B. Anthony: An Advocate for Women's Rights Lesson 3: Eleanor Roosevelt: A Voice for Human Rights Lesson 4: Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher Lesson 5: Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality |
| | Unit 6 | Lesson 27: Unit Assessment: The War of 1812 Lesson 28: Writing: Paragraphs Lesson 29: Writing: Write a Report Lesson 30: Assessment: Spelling Assessment Lesson 31: Writing: Take Notes |
| 37 May 18-22 | Domain 12: Fighting for a Cause | Lesson 6: Rosa Parks: The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement Lesson 7: Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of the Dream Lesson 8: Cesar Chavez: Protector of Workers' Rights |

| | | Lesson 9: Celebrating Those Who Fought for a Cause Domain Review, Domain <mark>Assessment</mark> |
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| | Unit 6 | Lesson 32: Writing: Take Notes Lesson 33: End-of-Year Assessment: Silent Reading Comprehension Lesson 34: End-of-Year Assessment: Fluency Lesson 35: End-of-Year Assessment: Word Reading in Isolation Lesson 36: End-of-Year Assessment: Fluency and Word Reading in Isolation |
| 38 May 26-29 | | End of Year Activities May 25: Memorial Day May 28: Teacher Work Day |