Course Syllabus

LAN0500

5th Grade Language Arts

Course Description

The Liberty University Online Academy’s 5th grade language arts course utilizes innovative technology resources and engaging activities for students. The course allows students to interact with exciting reading texts, practice grammar skills, embrace the components of great writing, and spell grade level appropriate words. Students will enjoy reading a novel of choice as well as the novels *The Cay* and *Number the Stars*. The novels and other literary activities will benefit the students in developing strong reading comprehension and fluency skills.

Rationale

The 5th grade Language Arts course offers students the opportunity to explore verbal and written expression of the English language. Communication is a very important skill, whether it be verbal or written. The course lends to the development of proper grammar, usage, and punctuation skills. The course emphasizes the parts of speech, proper grammatical conventions, literature, and writing.

Prerequisites

None.

III. Materials List

Microsoft Office or compatible software, printer, and scanner

Novels: *The Cay* and *Number the Stars*

IV. Measurable Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

1. Identify, use, and describe the eight parts of speech.
2. Identify, use, and describe the writing process.
3. Identify, use, and describe proper English grammar.
4. Identify, use, and describe proper English composition.
5. Identify, use, and describe literary elements.
6. Increase spelling and vocabulary proficiency.
7. Increase reading fluency and literary knowledge.

V. **Course Requirements and Assignments**

1. Individual lesson assessments
2. Quizzes – not a set number of quizzes per unit
3. Projects – not a set number of projects per unit
4. 1 Test or Formal Assessment per module

VI. **Course Grading and Policies**

1. Grading Weights

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Scale

A  90 – 100
B  80 – 89
C  70 – 79
D  60 – 69
F  Below 60

VII. **Other Policies**

A. Academic Misconduct

See Student Handbook

B. Repeating Assignments

Students may have two attempts on lessons. For other assignments, please review the resubmission policy from the Student Handbook:

All students are expected to submit their best work on the first submission for any assignment. At the discretion of the individual teacher and with his/her express permission, assignments may be resubmitted for credit. Feedback on a specific assignment will indicate
whether or not the assignment is eligible for resubmission. Teachers will not score any resubmission of an assignment without prior approval. Assignments that have been approved for resubmission must be completed before the student progresses more than one module beyond the repeated assignment. For example, a student currently working in Module 4 may request a resubmission in Module 3. Projects in Module 1 and 2 would not be allowed at that period in time.

**Scope and Sequence**

**Module 1**
- Spelling
- Sentences and Sentence Fragments
- Types of Sentences
- Reading Genres
- Proofreading

**Module 2**
- Spelling
- Nouns
- Abbreviations
- Reading Comprehension: Main Idea and Details
- The Writing Process and Types of Writing
- Expository Writing

**Module 3**
- Spelling
- Reading: Number the Stars
- Pre-Writing and Graphic Organizers
- Literary Elements
- Writing: Compare and Contrast
- Grammar: Verbs

**Module 4**
- Spelling
- Prepositions
- Simple Subjects and Predicates
- Subject/Verb Agreements
- Direct and Indirect Objects
- Reading Comprehension

Module 5
- Spelling
- Newspaper Book Report
- Pronouns
- Punctuation
- Reading: Extracting Detail from Informational Texts
- Writing: Narratives
- Writing: Compare and Contrast

Module 6
- Spelling
- Suffixes
- Verbs
- Conjunctions
- Reading: Comprehension
- Reading: The Temptest
- Descriptive Writing
- Persuasive Writing

Module 7
- Spelling
- Adjectives
- Reading: The Adventures of Little Peachling
- Descriptive Writing

Module 8
- Spelling
- Reading: The Cay
- Greek and Latin Words
- Literary Concepts
- Adverbs

Module 9
- Spelling
- Grammar Review
• Homonyms
• Writing: Friendly Letters
• Analyzing Media
• Expository Writing
• Reading: Comprehension

Module 10
• Spelling
• Research Paper