



Class Descriptions

Kindergarten

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Geography with Animals: In this class the children will learn about animals and where they are located around the world. Children will be engaged by using books, maps, doing crafts, and singing songs.

First Grade

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Spanish: For our first grade beginning learners we will start our year with basic greetings and introductions and then begin work on vocabulary words in Spanish including numbers, colors, days of the week, months of year and body parts. We will be focusing on learning letter sounds and pronunciation through the use of games, songs and fun activities to enhance the workbook. We will also learn food, family, animals, clothing and community words. We will conclude the year by learning a few basic parts of speech including simple adjectives and pronouns. There will be light homework and the back of the book has helps for parents that need some clarification to assist their student.

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Math: First grade math taught with the program Moving with Math Extensions. Students will be provided with a syllabus, workbook and skill builders pages to complete at home as an extension and practice of skills learned in class. This class can be a supplement to what you're already doing at home. It could also be used as the main math curriculum. If you use it as the main math curriculum for your child, I would recommend adding a practice book and/or math games.

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Second Grade

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Spanish: For our second grade learners we will start our year with the alphabet and basic greetings and introductions. Then we will begin work on vocabulary words in Spanish including numbers, colors, days of the week, months of year, body parts, food, animals, clothing, family and community. Throughout the year we will also be learning parts of speech such as plurals, pronouns, and articles. We will learn to construct our first sentences. We will be using games, music and activities to enhance the use of our

workbook. There will be homework and the back of the book has helps for parents that need some clarification to assist their student.

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Critical Thinking/Mind Benders: This course is designed to help students develop and apply skills and strategies to comprehend, analyze, and evaluate every day challenges, as well as complex tasks. The Basics of Critical Thinking, will aide students in improving good decision-making skills while equipping them for problem solving and the consequences that follow.

Spanish: For our fourth grade Spanish students we will start our year with Conversations and Family. We will continue learning about The Body, Food, Weather and Clothing. At the end of each Unit we will look at a different Spanish-speaking country or region studying their culture, geography, traditions and history. We will supplement our workbook with games, songs and activities that expand on the concepts we are learning. This class will have light homework and occasional supplemental worksheets to reinforce our objectives.

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Reading and Writing Through Narnia: This class will cover many aspects of English language arts. Emphasis will be placed on writing sentences and paragraphs independently, increasing grammar knowledge and correct usage, and reading for enjoyment and comprehension. The grades 5 and 6 classes will be reading through Narnia books at the same pace so that families can discuss the books together. The Easy Grammar workbook will mostly be used at home for daily grammar lessons.

Fifth Grade

Spanish: For our fifth grade Spanish students we will start our year with Daily Life and Sports and Pastimes. We will continue learning about Places in the Community, Food, and Animals and their

environments. At the end of each Unit we will look at a different Spanish-speaking person of note from different countries or regions and study their contributions to the culture and folklore. We will supplement our workbook with games, songs and activities that expand on the concepts we are learning. This class will have light homework and occasional supplemental worksheets to reinforce our objectives.

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Spanish: For our sixth grade Spanish students we will begin our year looking at Daily routines and Celebrations and outings. We will continue with Units on Shopping Center, The Environment and Technology. At the end of each Unit we will focus our study on a few famous people and their careers in Spanish-speaking countries. We will supplement our workbook with games, songs and activities that expand on the concepts we are learning. This class will have light homework and occasional supplemental worksheets to reinforce our objectives.