K-5 Structured Literacy Block

Grade	Phonological Awareness	Phonics and/or Word Study	Reading and Language Comprehension	Writing	Small Group, Independent Work, and/or Centers/i-Ready	Total Time
Kindergarten	15 mins.	30 mins.	25 mins.	20 mins.	30 mins.	120 mins.
First	15 mins.	30 mins.	25 mins.	20 mins.	30 mins.	120 mins.
Second	10 mins.	20 mins.	20 mins.	25 mins.	45 mins.	120 mins.
Third	N/A	15 mins.	25 mins.	15 mins.	35 mins.	90 mins.
Fourth	N/A	15 mins.	25 mins.	15 mins.	35 mins.	90 mins.
Fifth	N/A	15 mins.	25 mins.	15 mins.	35 mins.	90 mins.

The attached literacy block framework is grounded in research-based practices for Tier 1 instruction. Within the framework, items under the "General Description" are not required to be taught in a specific sequence. Additionally, it is not required for the literacy block to be uninterrupted. The minutes dedicated to each component in this framework, as well as to whole group versus small group instruction, are based on students' needs.

2nd Grade Literacy Block Framework

Suggested Time Per Day	General Description	Examples of Specific Activities	Adopted Curriculum Resources Found in Benchmark Universe (unless noted with *)	Scarborough's Reading Rope Connections
Approximately 10 Minutes	Phonological Awareness	 Review previously learned phonological awareness skill(s) Practice phonemic awareness skills: Rhyme Initial Phoneme Isolation Blending Phoneme Isolation: Final or Medial Sounds Segmenting Adding Deleting Substituting Alphabet knowledge & phoneme-grapheme connection Language awareness Practice blending and segmenting syllables and phonemes 	 Heggerty* Benchmark Phonics Connection PowerPoints* (Grade-Level Teams) 	Phonological Awareness
Approximately 30 Minutes Whole Group – 20 mins. Small Group – 10 mins.	Phonics	 Introduce new sound/spelling pattern/morpheme Review previously learned sounds/spelling patterns/morpheme Make/build words with sounds/spelling patterns/morphemes learned Introduce new high-frequency words Review previously learned high-frequency words Practice dictation Connect word to meaning Read decodable text 	 Benchmark Phonics Connection PowerPoints* (grade-level Teams) Phonics/Word Study Mini-Lessons Additional <u>Resources</u>: Advancing Phonics Skills Writing and Language Handbook 	Phonological Awareness Decoding Sight Recognition

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Approximately	Reading and	Students read grade level text	Lesson	Background
		 Introduce reading strategy to be focused on 	Components:	Knowledge
Minutes	Comprehension	 Student read a text to reinforce this strategy 	 Shared Reading 	
		 Read a text aloud to reinforce this strategy – stop 	Reading Mini-	Vocabulary
Whole Group –		occasionally to think aloud about how you're using	Lessons	
20 mins.		strategy as you read text	 Small-Group 	Verbal
		• Students analyze words, phrases, sentences, and	Reading	Reasoning
Small Group –		paragraphs from texts to practice and apply vocabulary	Interactive Read-	
20 mins.		acquisition strategies	Aloud	Literacy
20 mm3.		Students use a graphic organizer to help them		Knowledge
		organize information/thinking	Additional	
		 Students annotate text and take margin notes, noting 	Resources:	
		key words and phrases that constitute evidence to	 ELLevation* 	
		support answers as students read closely	 i-Ready* 	
		• Students analyze text in collaborative conversations to	Read-Aloud	
		build ideas around the Essential Question, compare	Handbook	
		and contrast texts, and state and support opinions.	Text Evidence	
		• Read aloud to immerse students deeply in the topic,	Questions	
		expanding their background knowledge	Reader's Theater	
		Continue Tier 1 instruction within small groups	• 2 nd Grade Leveled	
		scaffolding as appropriate	Texts to be used in	
		comoranig as appropriate	a skill based,	
			purposeful way	
Approximately	Writing	• Write informational, opinion, and narrative texts based	Lesson	All Strands of
40	_	on one or more sources students have read	Components:	the Reading
Minutes		 Model planning, drafting, revising, and editing a 	 Writing and 	Rope may be
		narrative, informative, and opinion piece	Language Mini-	included
Whole Group –		• Model brainstorming and organizing ideas, conducting	Lessons	
25 min.		research, and author's craft elements		
2011111		• Support students in creating their own multimedia	Additional	
Small Group –		presentation related to the unit topic	Resources:	
15 mins.		Students engage in writing on cross-curricular	 ELLevation* 	
10 111110.		concepts	 i-Ready* 	
		Continue Tier 1 instruction within small groups	Writing/Language	
		scaffolding as appropriate	Handbook	

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