Curriculum Guide for 4th Grade Language Arts

The student will...

- 1. appreciate selected types of literature through a variety of poems and short stories. [Eng dept #3]
- 2. apply capitalization and punctuation rules to compositions. [Eng dept #5]
- 3. practice using reference materials. [Eng dept #6]
- 4. analyze word structure and usage (roots, prefixes, etc.). [Eng dept #5,7]
- 5. identify five parts of speech in simple sentences. [Eng dept #5]
- 6. apply proper grammar to daily speech. [Eng dept #5]

Unit 1

9 weeks

LA 4.2, LA 4.6

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions How can the way we use our words be aligned with God's purpose for the way we spell/use them?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
 The students will accurately spell and write words with short a accurately spell and write words with long a accurately spell and write words with short e accurately spell and write words with long e accurately spell and write words with short i accurately spell and write words with short a accurately spell and write words with long i accurately spell and write words with short o accurately spell and write words with long o 	 Introduce word list on Day 1 of each week through pretest. Emphasize word analysis and vocabualry on Day 2 of each week through student text, blackline masters Complete a word study of each week's words on Day 3 of each week Oversee a writing assignment with each week's words on Day 4 of each week Various review games on Day 5 of each week and post test. 	 Teacher and student text (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Blackline Masters (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Various review game items 	 Classroom assignments (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Class games Oral response Pretests Tests

Unit 2

9 weeks

LA 4.2, LA 4.6

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions How is knowing how to spell important to the way we read God's word?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
 The students will accurately spell and write words with short u accurately spell and write words with long u accurately spell and write words with schwa a and o accurately spell and write words with words with /o/ accurately spell and write words with diphthongs accurately spell and write words with /u/, /ū/, and /ō/ accurately spell and write words with compound words accurately spell and write words with schwa a and o 	 Introduce word list on Day 1 of each week through pretest. Emphasize word analysis and vocabualry on Day 2 of each week through student text, blackline masters Complete a word study of each week's words on Day 3 of each week Oversee a writing assignment with each week's words on Day 4 of each week Various review games on Day 5 of each week and post test. 	 Teacher and student text (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level43</i>) Blackline Masters (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level43</i>) Various review game items 	 Classroom assignments (Purposeful Design, Spelling Level 4) Class games Oral response Pretests Tests

Unit 3

9 weeks

LA 4.2, LA 4.6

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions How is spelling accurately related to the way we understand Scripture?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
 The students will accurately spell and write words with contractions accurately spell and write words with plurals accurately spell and write words with homophones and homographs accurately spell and write words with r-controlled vowels accurately spell and write words with hard and soft c and g accurately spell and write words with prefixes 	 Introduce word list on Day 1 of each week through pretest. Emphasize word analysis and vocabualry on Day 2 of each week through student text, blackline masters Complete a word study of each week's words on Day 3 of each week Oversee a writing assignment with each week's words on Day 4 of each week Various review games on Day 5 of each week and post test. 	 Teacher and student text (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Blackline Masters (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Various review game items 	 Classroom assignments (Purposeful Design, Spelling Level 4) Class games Oral response Pretests Tests

Unit 4

9 weeks

LA 4.2, LA 4.6

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions What responsibilities do we have as believers in respect to spelling correctly?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
 The students will accurately spell and write words with suffixes accurately spell and write words with hard and soft c and g accurately spell and write words with greek and latin roots accurately spell and write words with easily confused spellings accurately spell and write words with variant consonant spellings accurately spell and write words with words with silent letters 	 Introduce word list on Day 1 of each week through pretest. Emphasize word analysis and vocabualry on Day 2 of each week through student text, blackline masters Complete a word study of each week's words on Day 3 of each week Oversee a writing assignment with each week's words on Day 4 of each week Various review games on Day 5 of each week and post test. 	 Teacher and student text (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Blackline Masters (Purposeful Design, <i>Spelling Level 4</i>) Various review game items 	 Classroom assignments (Purposeful Design, Spelling Level 4) Class games Oral response Pretests Tests