

Common Core English Language Arts Literacy Tasks for Kindergarten Students

Common Core Standards is a curriculum adopted by over 40 states to create a new set of shared expectations for students—starting with Kindergarten.

This worksheet outlines some of the English Language Arts “Literacy” tasks expected of first grade students. In *Born Reading: Bringing Up Bookworms in a Digital Age*, I explored other ways that parents and caregivers can children feel more comfortable with these new educational tasks.

"Key Ideas and Details"

A child must be able to respond to questions about a story and ask their own questions about parts of a book. They need to be able to recount a story that they enjoyed. Teachers will also ask them to talk about the elements of a book, including people, places and important plot points.

"Craft and Structure"

The teacher will quiz children about new words in a book or story. Your child should be familiar with different genres, ranging from poetry to storybooks. They can also be asked about the author or illustrator of a particular story, discussing what these people do in a book.

"Integration of Knowledge and Ideas."

A child should be able to discuss how pictures and stories work together, talking about what happens in a particular illustration. Your child should also be able to compare different books or contrast characters across books.

"Actively engage in group reading activities."

If you have been reading to your child throughout these early years, you will have prepared them to share this activity with others in their class.