

## Sample Minimum Course of Study ages 7-10

Child's Name

School year (2020-2021)

### 1. Basic Communication skills, including reading, and writing

- Parts of speech (sing. & plural nouns, possessives, pronouns, adjectives, tenses,
- Sentences (compound, simple, combining, word order)
- Mechanics (peoples titles, initials, names of places, holidays, homograph
- Writing (sentences, paragraphs, main ideas, friendly letters)
- Spelling
- Reading (main ideas and story structure)

### 2. Basic Communication skills mathematics

- Counting & place values (skip counting, ones, tens, and hundreds places, ordinary, even & odd numbers, comparing numbers)
- Money (equivalents, making change, fewest change, counting coins and bills
- Time (quarter to & quarter past, patterns, 5-minute counting, using
- Geometry (solid & plane figures, congruence, symmetry, perimeter)
- Measurement (inches, centimeter, cups, pints, quarts)
- Addition & subtraction (two & three digits, regrouping ones column)
- Multiplication (numbers 0-5)

### 3. Citizenship, History, and Government in Vermont and the United States

- Maps (hemispheres, grids, features, map types)
- Life in Plymouth Colonies (Mayflower, The New World, family life)
- Historical figures (Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, Sitting Bull)
- VT (state facts, local community & government, also please note science section\*  
How Mountains are made = we will be looking at local mountain ranges here in VT and learning about them)

### 4. English, American and other literature:

Fables, Fiction, Non-Fiction, and biographies

- Walt Disney Drawn from Imagination by Bill Scollon
- Who was P.T. Barnum? By Kirsten Anderson
- What is the Statue of Liberty? By Joan Holub
- The Chocolate Touch by: Patrick skene Catting
- Night of the Ninjas by Mary Pope Osborne
- Summer of the Sea Serpent by Mary Pope Osborne
- Amelia Bedelia Sets Sail by Herman Parish
- Calendar Mysteries: May Magic by Ron Roy

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- Humphrey's Really Wheely Racing Day by Betty G. Birney
- Vacation Under the Volcano by Mary Pope Osborne
- Miracle in a Shoe Box: A Christmas Gift of Wonder by Franklin Graham
- The Ant and the Grasshopper by Luli Gray

5. **Natural Sciences**

- Human body & it's functions (brain, heart, kidneys, cells & skeleton)
- Gardening (seed germination, photosynthesis, soils)
- The Secret life of Trees (bark, root system, types, identifying)
- Dinosaurs (periods, types, traits, terrain, habitats)
- How Mountains are made (lithosphere, plates, faults, fossils)

6. **\*Physical Education (i.e. team sports, dance, martial arts, yoga, skiing)**

- Sledding, basketball, yoga, tennis, hiking, walking

7. **\*Comprehensive Health Education including the effects of tobacco, alcoholic drinks, and drugs on the human system and on society**

- Dental hygiene
- Benefits of exercising

8. **\*Fine Arts**

- Piano & singing
- Craft projects (modeling clay, beading, 3D art)
- Painting (acrylic and watercolor)
- Cartoon drawing