

FOUR-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN (K4)

Bible

Building on the Rock (Summit Ministries) lays the groundwork of worldview education for the youngest students, helping young ones understand relationships with the Creator, each other, ourselves, and creation.

- Hymns/choruses.
- Memory verses.
- Bible doctrine focused on Genesis, creation, life of Christ, and Salvation.

Language Arts: Phonics, Reading, Poetry and Writing

ABC-123 (Abeka) contains brightly-colored exercises that will appeal to 4-year-olds and reinforce their beginning phonics and reading skills.

Writing with Phonics K4 (Abeka) provides phonics practice later in the year.

Little Books 1-12 (Abeka) and *Animal Friends Books 1-8* (Abeka) is the basis of the K4 reading program. The Little Books give students practice reading letters, words, and simple sentences. Each book is short enough to complete in two or three sessions. children learn to recognize and understand the concepts of numbers.

Poetry for You and Me (Abeka) acquaints students with a wide variety of good poetry through classroom recitation and memorization.

- Recognition of name, sound, and picture of blends, words, long and short vowels and consonants.
- Sounding of blends and one- and two-vowel words.
- Learn and apply phonics concepts to reading.
- Reading of sentences and stories with one- and two-vowel words.
- Build oral skills including accuracy, expressive reading, smoothness, and appropriate pace.
- Improve comprehension.

- Know to capitalize the beginning of a sentence and place a period at the end of a sentence.
- Dictation for developing sound recognition and spelling application.
- Memorization and recitation of poems, finger plays and nursery rhymes.
- Gain vocabulary enrichment such as understanding and producing rhyming words and opposite words.
- Formation of letters and sentences using good writing posture, proper pencil hold and correct letter placement.
- Writing his or her first name.

Mathematics

ABC-123 (Abeka) has practice pages that reinforce the concepts and the formation of numbers 1 to 20 by having children count and color familiar objects.

- Number recognition, counting and writing 1-100.
- Numbers largest and smallest 1-20.
- Number concepts 1-20.
- Numbers before and after 1-20.
- Addition facts: 1+1, 1+2, 1+3, 1+4, 1+5, 1+6, 1+7, 1+8, 1+9.
- Develop concepts of patterning and sequencing using colors, shapes, and numbers.

Social and Personal Skills Development

- Develop skills with coordinating character-building stories, including biblical character traits encouraging kindness, courtesy, gentleness, obedience, truthfulness, attentiveness, respect, good manners, helpfulness, cheerfulness, orderliness, diligence, dependability, thoughtfulness, self-control, unselfishness, and generosity.
- Motor skills development through coloring, tracing, cutting and working with learning manipulatives.
- Listening skills development; learning to follow step-by-step instructions.