

SCHOLASTIC
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Scholastic News® for Grade 2 Reinforces Basic Skills



Scholastic News Grade 2 provides children with motivating, high-interest, nonfiction reading, and each issue is built on a firm foundation of skills that reinforce the classroom curriculum. Scholastic News meets the needs of students with progressive, on-level content that becomes more challenging over the school year as children develop as readers.

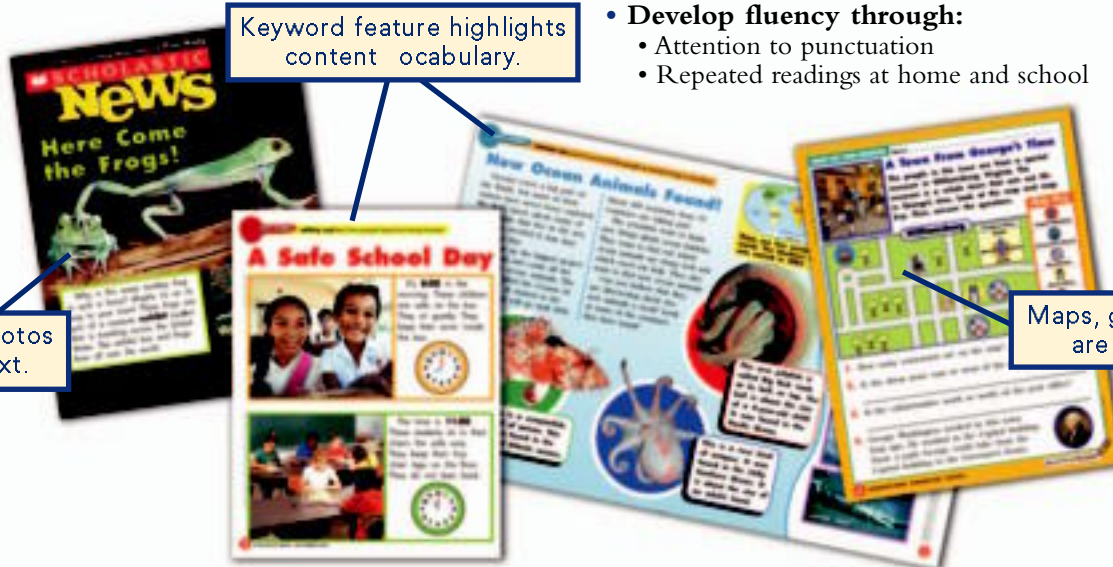
The following essential skills are addressed in Scholastic News for Grade 2:

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

- Read aloud independently with some support.
- Sharpen conversation skills through discussions of text.
- Follow multistep directions.
- Learn and use new content vocabulary.
- Practice strategies to determine word meanings by:
 - Using information about word parts
 - Using context clues
 - Using pictures and illustrations
- Identify synonyms and antonyms.
- Understand and practice reading a dictionary or glossary entry.

READING COMPREHENSION

- Read and enjoy on-level text independently.
- Read with a purpose.
- Practice the following comprehension strategies using longer passages:
 - Sequencing
 - Predicting
 - Main idea/detail
 - Posing questions
 - Retelling
 - Cause and effect
- Build reading stamina to read longer texts.
- Self-monitor for comprehension and use strategies to improve comprehension.
- Understand a variety of nonfiction features, such as:
 - Directions
 - Headlines
 - Photo captions
 - Diagrams
 - Maps, graphs, and charts
 - Columns and side stories
- Develop fluency through:
 - Attention to punctuation
 - Repeated readings at home and school



Keyword feature highlights content vocabulary.

Engaging photos support text.

Maps, graphs, and charts are in every issue.



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WRITING

- Experience writing as an enjoyable and useful activity.
- Use graphic organizers.
- Write full sentences with capitalization and correct punctuation.
- Begin to write sentences that form paragraphs.
- Answer different types of questions, in the form of:
 - Multiple choice
 - Fill-in-the-blank
 - True or false

PHONICS/WORD-LEVEL SKILLS

- Decode words in the text using knowledge of sounds and letters.
- Expand understanding of patterns phonics, such as:
 - Blended sounds
 - Final *e*
 - Word endings
 - Compound words
 - Silent letters
 - Consonant clusters
- Read regular one-, two-, and three-syllable words.
- Recognize increasing number of sight words.

SCIENCE

- Understand important science concepts and topics, including:
 - Life cycles
 - Habitats
 - Characteristics of organisms
 - Earth and sky
 - Personal health
 - Science as inquiry
- Strengthen the ability to interpret and use visual aids found in science texts, including:
 - Diagrams
 - Graphs
 - Charts
- Compare data from graphs and charts.
- Participate in related hands-on activities.

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Understand important social studies concepts and topics, including:
 - Culture
 - Holidays
 - Past and present
 - How things are made
 - U.S. symbols
 - Presidents
 - U.S. history
 - Friendship and community
 - People and current events
- Increase ability to read and use maps, including neighborhood, city, and country maps.
- Answer questions using maps.
- Use a compass rose to interpret maps.
- Participate in relevant interactive activities.

MATH

- View math as an enjoyable and useful activity.
- Expand early math skills, such as:
 - Addition with single and double digit numbers
 - Subtraction with single and double digit numbers
 - Skip counting
 - Word problems
 - Understanding and using graphs
 - Creating and completing graphs

TECHNOLOGY

- Use www.scholastic.com/sn2 to:
 - Practice using basic computer hardware (mouse, keyboard, monitor)
 - Type URL to get to a Web site
 - Navigate Web pages and click icons
 - Print materials from the Web

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