

# LET'S FIND OUT Kindergarten

## EDITORIAL HIGHLIGHTS 2009–2010

| Month   | Topics and Curriculum Standards  | Early Reading Skills   |
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| <b>September</b><br>Back to School!                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Back to School:</b> Community</li> <li>• <b>Apples:</b> Plant Growth</li> <li>• <b>School Rules/School Safety:</b> Personal Safety</li> <li>• <b>Ways We Go to School:</b> Social Studies</li> <li>• <b>Friendship &amp; Manners:</b> Social Development</li> </ul>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Initial consonants</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Action words</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Make personal connections</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Echo reading</li> </ul>                                |
| <b>October</b><br>Autumn Fun!                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Autumn Changes:</b> Earth Patterns &amp; Cycles</li> <li>• <b>Pumpkins:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Fire Safety:</b> Personal Safety</li> <li>• <b>Bats:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Christopher Columbus:</b> American History</li> </ul>                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Rhyming words</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Descriptive words</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Make predictions</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Echo reading</li> </ul>   |
| <b>November/December</b><br>Celebrate the Holidays! | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Thanksgiving Feast:</b> American History</li> <li>• <b>Turkeys!:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Pilgrims:</b> American History</li> <li>• <b>Winter Holidays:</b> Culture</li> <li>• <b>Gingerbread:</b> Literacy Connection</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Initial consonants</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Science vocabulary</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Making personal connections</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Repetitive text/sight-word practice</li> </ul> |
| <b>January</b><br>Brrr — Winter Is Here!            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Winter Weather:</b> Earth Patterns &amp; Cycles</li> <li>• <b>Animals Keep Warm in Winter:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Martin Luther King, Jr.:</b> Civics</li> <li>• <b>Hibernation:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Penguins:</b> Life Science</li> </ul>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Ending consonants</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Science vocabulary</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Drawing conclusions</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Repetitive text/sight-word practice</li> </ul>          |
| <b>February</b><br>Special Days                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Valentine's Day:</b> Social Studies</li> <li>• <b>Groundhog Day:</b> Life Science</li> <li>• <b>Dental Health:</b> Health &amp; Safety</li> <li>• <b>Presidents' Day:</b> American History</li> <li>• <b>Black History Month:</b> American History</li> </ul>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Short vowel sounds</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Social studies vocabulary</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Compare and contrast</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Choral reading/sight-word practice</li> </ul>  |
| <b>March</b><br>In Like a Lion                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Spring All Around:</b> Earth Patterns &amp; Cycles</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Seuss:</b> Author Study</li> <li>• <b>St. Patrick's Day:</b> Social Studies</li> <li>• <b>Lamb and Lion Weather:</b> Weather Observations</li> <li>• <b>Kites:</b> Culture</li> </ul>                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Short vowel sounds</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Weather words</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Main idea &amp; detail</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Choral reading/sight-word practice</li> </ul>            |
| <b>April</b><br>Showers and Flowers                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flowers, Plants, and Seeds:</b> Life Processes</li> <li>• <b>April Rain:</b> Weather Observations</li> <li>• <b>Earth Day:</b> Environment and Civics</li> <li>• <b>Egg Animals:</b> Life Processes</li> <li>• <b>Frogs:</b> Life Science</li> </ul>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Blending phonemes</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Positional words</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Sequencing</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Partner reading/sight-word practice</li> </ul>                     |
| <b>May/June</b><br>Summer Safety                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Summer Safety:</b> Health &amp; Safety</li> <li>• <b>Butterflies:</b> Characteristics of Organisms</li> <li>• <b>Ocean:</b> Scientific Investigation</li> <li>• <b>Animal Moms and Dads:</b> Life Processes</li> <li>• <b>Backyard Bugs:</b> Characteristics of Organisms</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Phonemic Awareness/Phonics:</b> Segmenting phonemes</li> <li>• <b>Vocabulary:</b> Science vocabulary</li> <li>• <b>Comprehension:</b> Formulating questions</li> <li>• <b>Fluency:</b> Repeated readings/sight-word practice</li> </ul>    |

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