

# Literacy Instruction in First Grade

## Reading Habits

Strategies of strong readers	Setting reading goals
Choosing just right books	Book talks with partners and groups
Sharing favorite authors	Responding to and thinking about text

## Genres

Realistic Fiction	Science	Animal Fantasy	Social Stud. Topics
Picture Books	Non-Fiction	Poetry	Historical Fiction

## Reading Skills and Strategies

<b>Studying the Text</b>	<b>Thinking about the Text</b>	
Story Sequence	Author's Purpose	Using prior knowledge
Text Organization	Compare/Contrast	Making connections
Story Elements (Charac., setting etc.)	Questioning	Predict/Inferring
Text Features (captions, charts etc..)	Creating Mental Images	

## Word Work

Read and spell high frequency words	Vowel pairs (ee, ea, oa)
Recognize and use spelling patterns	Read grade level text at 50-65 WMP
Short and long vowels	Blends (br, cl, st )

## Writing

<b>Writing Habits and Craft</b>	<b>Conventions</b>	
Reasons for writing	Punctuation	Spelling Strategies
Good Habits	Spacing	Sentence Structure
Finding Ideas	Editing	
Revising and Publishing	Appropriate Grammar	