

Texas Second Grade Guidelines Checklist

English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR)

Reading

- ☐ Use phonics to decode words
- ☐ Read grade-level texts fluently and with comprehension
- ☐ Make predictions, ask questions, and summarize stories
- ☐ Identify central idea, characters, setting, and plot
- ☐ Distinguish between fiction and nonfiction
- ☐ Use text evidence to support understanding

Writing

- ☐ Plan and draft by generating ideas
- ☐ Revise and edit drafts with guidance
- ☐ Write short compositions (narrative, expository, opinion)
- ☐ Use correct punctuation and capitalization
- ☐ Spell high-frequency and phonetic words correctly

Oral and Written Conventions

- ☐ Use complete sentences with subject-verb agreement
- ☐ Apply grammar and usage rules
- ☐ Use adjectives, adverbs, and prepositions

Research and Inquiry

- ☐ Form research questions
- ☐ Locate and record information using sources



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Mathematics

- ☐ Use place value to represent numbers to 1,200
- ☐ Compare and order whole numbers
- ☐ Solve addition and subtraction problems up to 1,000
- ☐ Understand multiplication as repeated addition
- ☐ Count coins and bills
- ☐ Read and write time to the nearest minute
- ☐ Identify and classify 2D and 3D shapes
- ☐ Interpret bar graphs and pictographs
- ☐ Understand fractions as parts of a whole

Social Studies

- ☐ Understand historical figures and national holidays
- ☐ Identify functions of government and important leaders
- ☐ Use maps, globes, and tools to identify location
- ☐ Understand basic economic concepts (needs/wants, goods/services)
- ☐ Describe how technology changes communities
- ☐ Understand cultural customs and symbols

Science

- ☐ Use scientific tools and methods to investigate
- ☐ Observe and record weather patterns
- ☐ Explore properties of matter (solid, liquid, gas)
- ☐ Identify basic forms of energy (light, sound, heat)
- ☐ Observe life cycles of plants and animals
- ☐ Understand food chains and basic ecosystems
- ☐ Recognize Earth materials (rocks, soil, water)



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Fine Arts, PE, and Health (Brief Overview)

- ☐ Explore different art forms and techniques
- ☐ Perform rhythm and movement activities in music
- ☐ Understand basic health practices and nutrition
- ☐ Demonstrate physical skills like balance and coordination

