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2026-2027

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September 2026



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Spelling bee champion (growth mindset)	Civics; social awareness	• Vocabulary • Comprehension • Nonfiction text features • Decode words
How to make mistakes (school readiness/responsibility)	School routines; self-management	• Vocabulary • Key details • Read a map • Writing
Monarch butterfly migration	Seasonal observations	• Vocabulary • Read a diagram • Sequencing • Use visuals
The story of the amazing giant pencil	Current events	• Vocabulary • Key details • Main idea • Nonfiction text features

October 2026



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Monster pumpkins	Plant science	• Vocabulary • Read a diagram • Capitalization • Comprehension
Fire Safety	Health and safety	• Vocabulary • Read a chart • Cause/effect • Nonfiction text features
Bats	Animal adaptations	• Vocabulary • Long and short vowels • Read a diagram • Writing
Fall in my town (fall festivals)	Signs of autumn; communities	• Vocabulary • Letter-writing • Compare/contrast • Read a map

November 2026



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Veterans Day	Civics and patriotism; holidays	• Vocabulary • Nonfiction text features • Capitalization • Main idea/details
Native American Heritage Month	Cultural traditions	• Vocabulary • Writing • Key details • Writing
Thanksgiving	American holidays	• Vocabulary • Read a timeline • Read a bar graph • Writing
Autumn-to-winter changes	Seasonal changes	• Vocabulary • Text evidence • Key details • Read a diagram

December/January 2026/27



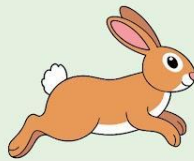
Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.	American history and civics	• Vocabulary • Read a timeline • Writing • Time-order words
Winter holiday lights	Culture and traditions	• Vocabulary • Compare/contrast • Writing • Read a schedule
Polar animal babies	Animal habitats	• Vocabulary • Read a diagram • Nonfiction text features • Punctuation
Snow and ice	Weather; properties of water	• Vocabulary • Sequencing • Read a line graph • Writing

February 2027



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Presidents' Day	History and government	• Vocabulary • Punctuation • Read a chart • Key details
Black History Month	American history	• Vocabulary • Nonfiction text features • Read a timeline • Writing
How it's made: chocolate art	Production and resources; economics	• Vocabulary • Sequencing • Comprehension • Use visuals
Animal rescue: groundhog	Current events; people's effects on environment	• Vocabulary • Read a diagram • Writing • Key details

March 2027



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Egg animals	Life cycles	• Vocabulary • Read a life cycle • Compare/contrast • Text evidence
Inventors	Engineering; history	• Vocabulary • Problem/solution • Read a diagram • Main idea/details
Spring equinox (spring festivals)	Culture and holidays; seasonal changes	• Vocabulary • Read a map • Key details • Make observations
Rabbit jumping competitions	Current news; community events	• Vocabulary • Nonfiction text features • Read a chart • Decode words

April 2027



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Earth Day	Earth science; holidays	• Vocabulary • Problem/solution • Main idea/details • Text evidence
Plants and seeds	Plant science; life cycles	• Vocabulary • Form and function • Read a diagram • Nonfiction text features
Endangered animals	Conservation	• Vocabulary • Cause/effect • Opinion writing • Create visuals
A kid discovered it!	Current events; American history	• Vocabulary • Key details • Nonfiction text features • Sequencing

May/June 2027



Topic	Science/Social Studies Focus	Skills Practice
Fireflies	Animal science; adaptations	• Vocabulary • Read a diagram • Main idea/details • Double bar graph
Oceans	Habitats	• Vocabulary • Read a map • Punctuation • Write informative texts
Summer safety	Health and safety	• Vocabulary • Read a chart • Key details • Nonfiction text features
Summer fun	Seasonal events	• Vocabulary • Logic puzzles • Capitalization • Writing