

Curriculum Guide for 1st Grade Penmanship

Unit 1: Penmanship

9 weeks

P1.2, P1.3, P1.7,P1.8

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions

Why does God care about penmanship?

Why is it important to write neatly?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The student will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • learn proper writing habits: pencil hold, paper slant, letter slant, posture, letter formation • discuss <i>upstairs, downstairs, basement</i> formation of letters • practice writing imaginary letters in the air, on the desk, in palm of hand with finger • trace and write letters on workbook papers • trace and write numbers on workbook papers • learn 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explanation of letter/number formations • demonstration of letter/number and formation • written practice • dictation • board work • scrap paper work • individual assignments • stress correct and consistent letter size, correct spacing between words and careful copying • discuss meaning of dictated words and sentences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Beka First Grade Curriculum • student text Writing with Phonics 1 (A Beka) • Cursive Tablet • Seatwork Writing Tablet Grade 1 (A Beka) • Left-Hand/Right-Hand Chart (A Beka) • Manuscript Formation Guides (A Beka) • Holy Bible • name tags • pencils • white boboard • dry erase markers • board liner • manuscript dry erase poster 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • observation of class participation • class assignments • tests

<p>finger spacing between words</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• fold tablet paper into columns for seatwork writing• write the name at the top of their paper			
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Unit 2: Penmanship

9 weeks

P1.2, P1.3, P1.7,P1.8

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions

Writing has order and rules. How does this remind you of God and creation?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The student will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• practice proper writing habits: pencil hold, paper slant, letter slant, posture, letter formation• review spacing of letters and 2 finger space• trace and write letters on workbook papers• build listening/penmanship skills through dictation• write stories about given subject• write titles correctly, capitalizing important words• use correct spelling• use capitalization and punctuation skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• explanation and demonstration of letter/number and formations• written practice• dictation• board work• scrap paper work• individual assignments• discuss meanings of dictated words/sentences• stress correct and consistent letter size, correct spacing between words and careful copying	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Beka First Grade Curriculum• student text Writing with Phonics 1(A Beka)• Seatwork Writing Tablet Grade 1 (A Beka)• Manuscript Formation Flashcards (A Beka)• Holy Bible• pencils• crayons/colored pencils• white board• dry erase marker• board liner• manuscript dry erase poster	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• observation of class participation• class assignments• tests

Unit 3: Penmanship

9 weeks

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Biblical Worldview Essential Questions

Why do Christians need to be able to communicate well?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The student will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • practice proper writing habits: pencil hold, paper slant, letter slant, posture, letter formation • trace and write letters on workbook pages • build listening/penmanship skills through dictation • write stories about given subjects • learn how to write in a journal • use correct spelling • use capitalization and punctuation skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explanation and demonstration of letter/number and connecting stroke formation • written practice • dictation • board work • scrap paper work • individual assignments • discussion of meanings of dictated words, sentences, verses, sayings • stressing of correct and consistent letter size, correct spacing between words and careful copying 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Beka FirstGrade Curriculum • student text Writing with Phonics 1 (A Beka) • Seatwork Writing Tablet Grade 1 (A Beka) • Holy Bible • pencils • crayons/colored pencils • chalkboard • chalk • board liner • teacher generated journal explanation chart • pictures, library books, advertisements and visuals pertaining to an ice cream shop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • observation of class participation • class assignments • quizzes • tests

Unit 4: Penmanship

9 weeks

P1.2, P1.3, P1.7,P1.8

Biblical Worldview Essential Questions

How do you think Jesus feels about telling stories?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The student will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• practice proper writing habits: pencil hold, paper slant, letter slant, posture, and letter formation• trace and write letters on workbook pages• build listening/penmanship skills through dictation• write stories about given subjects• practice journal writing• use correct spelling• use capitalization and punctuation skills•	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• s• written practice• dictation• board work• scrap paper work• individual assignments• discussion of meanings of dictated words, sentences, verses and sayings• stressing of correct and consistent letter size, correct spacing between words and careful copying	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Beka First Grade Curriculum• student text Writing with Phonics 1 (A Beka)• Seatwork Writing Tablet Grade 1 (A Beka)• Cursive Formation Flashcards• Holy Bible• pencils• crayons/colored pencils• chalkboard• chalk• board liner•	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• observation of class participation• class assignments• quizzes• tests