

Bluebonnet Foundational Skills – Grade 2

Instructional Plan / Course Syllabus

Course Description

Second Grade **Bluebonnet Foundational Skills** instruction focuses on developing students' decoding, spelling, fluency, handwriting, and grammar skills to support strong reading and writing development. Students learn to apply phonics patterns, recognize spelling conventions, read with accuracy and fluency, and write clearly. Instruction aligns with the **Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Grade 2 English Language Arts and Reading** and supports students in becoming confident and independent readers.

Curriculum Units and Instructional Overview

Unit 1: Review of Grade 1 Phonics and Spelling Patterns

Focus: Students review previously learned phonics skills including short and long vowel patterns, common digraphs, and basic spelling patterns.

TEKS: 2.2A, 2.2B, 2.2C, 2.2D

Learning Objectives

- Decode words using known phonics patterns.
- Spell words using common spelling patterns.
- Read grade-level text with increasing accuracy.

Instructional Activities

- Phonics review activities
- Word sorting and spelling practice
- Guided reading with decodable texts
- Partner fluency reading

Unit 2: Long Vowel Patterns and Vowel Teams

Focus: Students learn advanced vowel patterns including vowel teams and long vowel spellings.

TEKS: 2.2A, 2.2B, 2.2E

Learning Objectives

- Decode words with vowel teams.
- Recognize different spellings for long vowel sounds.
- Apply phonics patterns when reading unfamiliar words.

Instructional Activities

- Vowel team word sorts
 - Decodable reading passages
 - Spelling dictation practice
 - Small group phonics instruction
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Unit 3: R-Controlled Vowels

Focus: Students learn how r-controlled vowels affect vowel sounds in words.

TEKS: 2.2A, 2.2B, 2.2E

Learning Objectives

- Identify r-controlled vowel patterns.
- Decode words containing r-controlled vowels.
- Use patterns to spell words correctly.

Instructional Activities

- Word building with r-controlled vowels
 - Reading decodable passages
 - Spelling practice and dictation
 - Partner reading activities
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Unit 4: Multisyllabic Word Reading

Focus: Students develop strategies to read and decode multisyllabic words.

TEKS: 2.2A, 2.2C, 2.2E

Learning Objectives

- Break words into syllables.
- Decode longer words using known patterns.
- Improve reading fluency.

Instructional Activities

- Syllable division practice
 - Word building activities
 - Guided reading practice
 - Fluency drills
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Unit 5: Spelling Patterns and Word Study

Focus: Students apply spelling rules and patterns to improve reading and writing.

TEKS: 2.2D, 2.2E

Learning Objectives

- Recognize common spelling patterns.
- Apply spelling rules when writing.
- Use phonics knowledge to spell unfamiliar words.

Instructional Activities

- Word study activities
 - Spelling games and sorts
 - Dictation exercises
 - Writing practice
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Unit 6: Reading Fluency and Expression

Focus: Students develop reading fluency by practicing accuracy, rate, and expression.

TEKS: 2.4A, 2.4B

Learning Objectives

- Read grade-level text with accuracy.
- Develop appropriate reading pace.
- Use expression while reading aloud.

Instructional Activities

- Repeated reading practice
 - Partner fluency reading
 - Teacher modeling of expressive reading
 - Performance reading activities
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Unit 7: Grammar and Sentence Structure

Focus: Students learn correct grammar usage and sentence construction.

TEKS: 2.11A, 2.11B, 2.11C

Learning Objectives

- Identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives.
- Write complete sentences.
- Use capitalization and punctuation correctly.

Instructional Activities

- Sentence building activities
 - Grammar practice worksheets
 - Editing sentences
 - Writing short paragraphs
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Assessment Methods

Student progress will be evaluated through:

- Bluebonnet Foundational Skills assessments
- Weekly spelling tests

- Reading fluency checks
 - Teacher observation
 - Dictation and writing activities
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Instructional Materials

- Bluebonnet Foundational Skills Teacher Guides
- Decodable readers and passages
- Word cards and phonics charts
- Student workbooks
- Fluency passages and grammar practice materials