

XXXX's 3rd Grade Evaluation

Reading – We completed All About Reading Level 4 in December. We have focused on increasing vocabulary and comprehension skills by utilizing life activities, literature, and Brave Writer. We also practice reading road signs, signs at museums/zoos, and in daily life.

Writing/Language Arts – We also finished All About Spelling Level 3 in December. We began using BraveWriter in January, which includes copywork, dictation and narration, poetry tea times, and free writing. XXXX constantly writes song lyrics as he hears them, draws and writes things he would like to invent, stories about superheros, and lists of things he would like to buy. We also play language arts games (Up Words, Missing Punctuation Game, etc) as part of our language arts curriculum. We have learned all the prepositions, helping verbs, and are working on learning the linking verbs through Classical Conversations.

Speaking – XXXX presents weekly at our Classical Conversations meeting. The presentation subject is largely up to him. Over the course of the year, he has presented on Greek mythology, movies he has seen, adventures we have taken, and his favorite superhero.

Math – XXXX is currently using Math Lessons for a Living Education. We are currently working on Lesson 21 and are also working through Multiplication Facts that Stick. He has mastered the 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, and 10s multiplication facts and is currently working on the 6s. We also play board games to supplement math (Sleeping Queens, Qwirkle, etc). Skip counting and “good-to-know” formulas are learned through Classical Conversations.

Civics (government) – We have not used a formal curriculum for civics. We utilize family discussions, visits to our local military base, and documentaries about previous presidents, and learning about ancient governments through Story of the World.

History/Geography – We are reading Story of the World volume 1 and have utilized the accompanying activities in the activity book. We have also studied Ancient History through our Classical Conversations (Greek Gods/Roman Gods, Hinduism/Buddhism, Constantinople, etc). We also use maps to identify where our History is taking place. We have practiced map drawing and labeling with our Classical Conversations group (Mediterranean Sea area, ancient Empires, African geography, Mesoamerica geography, South American geography, and Canadian geography). XXXX also received a subscription to Little Passports for Christmas and enjoys learning about cultures through that medium.

Literature – I read aloud in the morning, during lunch, and before bed. We have currently read Because of Winn-Dixie, The Tale of Desperaux, The Chronicles of Narnia, Charlotte’s Web, James and the Giant Peach, The Jesus Storybook Bible, and NUMEROUS picture books. XXXX also reads for at least an hour by himself during the day and a bedtime. I have included a reading list of books read by me or XXXX himself; however, it is most likely not comprehensive. (See list at end of document.)

Science – We have focused on Biology (classifications, reproduction, eating types, types of animals, etc) and Earth Sciences (rocks, volcanoes, ocean floors, etc). We also utilize documentaries and nature walks

to increase our diet of science. Science experiments are completed each week at Classical Conversations. We also listen to science podcasts in the car and at home.

Art/Music – XXXX began piano lessons this year and has a lesson each Wednesday afternoon. We also complete art and music appreciation through Classical Conversations. We have completed basics of drawing, tin whistle and music basics, learning about and replicating famous artists (Michaelangelo, El Grecco, etc), and are currently learning about the orchestra and listening to famous musicians.

LITERATURE (READ ALOUD OR READ ALONE)

*Includes multiple weekly selections from Random House Book of Poetry for Children and Read Aloud Poems for Young People

From Seed to Plant – Gail Gibbons

Fall Walk – Virginia Snow

We're Going on a Leaf Hunt – Steve Metzger

Henry and Mudge And A Very Merry Christmas – Cynthia Rylant

Awesome Autumn – Bruce Goldstone

Amanda Bean's Amazing Dream – Cindy Neuschwander

The Egyptian Cinderella – Shirley Climo

From Pictures to Words – Janet Stevens

Henry And Mudge and the Best Day of All – Cynthia Rylant

Tortoise, Tree Snake, Gator, and Sea Snake – Brian Cleary

Turkey Trouble – Wendi Silvano

Crow Boy – Taro Yashia

Apples and Pumpkins – Anne Rockwell

Giraffe Problems – Jory John

Fletcher and the Falling Leaves – Julia Rawlinson

Mailing May – Michael Tunnell

Old Black Fly- Jim Aylesworth

The Empty Pot – Demi

Confucius – Demi

The Legend of the Persian Carpet – Tomie DePaola

Bear Has a Story to Tell – Philip Christian Stead

Moonlight – Cynthia Rylant

A Bear Called Paddington – Michael Bond

Batman – John Sazaklis

Henry and Mudge and Annie’s Perfect Pet – Cynthia Rylant

Superman - Chris Strathearn

Nate the Great and the Halloween Hunt – Marjorie Sharmat

How to Make a Cherry Pie and See the USA – Marjorie Priceman

Swimmy – Leo Lionni

Harry the Dirty Dog – Gene Zion

Curious George – HA Rey (all of them)

Stop and Go, Yes and No – Brian Cleary

No Bones! – Karen Young

Enemy Pie – Derek Munson

The Tale of Despereaux – Kate DiCamillo

Sir Cumference and All the King’s Tens – Cindy Neuschwander

Franklin and Friends – It’s Halloween, Franklin – Unknown

Before You Were Born – Jennifer Davis

Pythagoras and the Ratios – Julie Ellis

A Lime, A Mime, A Pool of Slime – Brian Cleary

The Wolf’s Chicken Stew – Keiko Kasza

Good Thing You’re Not an Octopus – Julie Markes

Henry and Mudge and the Long Weekend – Cynthia Rylant

Dolphin, Fox, Hippo, and Ox – Brian Cleary

Herbert’s First Halloween – Cynthia Rylant

Pitch and Throw, Grasp and Know – Brian Cleary

To Root, to Toot, to Parachute – Brian Cleary

Today I Will Fly – Mo Willems

Puppies and Piggies – Cynthia Rylant

Once Upon A Mastadon – Bonnie Worth

Help Me, Mr. Mutt! – Janet Stevens

Henny, Penny, Lenny, Denny, and Mike – Cynthia Rylant

Mrs. Piggle Wiggle – Betty MacDonald

Big Snow – Jonathan Bean

The Greedy Triangle – Marilyn Burns

The Busy Little Squirrel – Nancy Tafuri

Nate the Great and the Missing Key – Marjorie Sharmat

Counting on Fall – Lizann Flatt

Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf – Lois Ehlert

One Hundred Sausages – Yuval Zommer

Ox-Cart Man – Donald Hall

Find A Cow Now! – Janet Stevens

Henry and Mudge and Mrs. Hopper’s House – Cynthia Rylant

Aesop’s Fables – Aesop

The World of Pooh – AA Milne

Paddington at the Barber Shop – Michael Bond

Henry and Mudge and the Wild Goose Chase – Cynthia Rylant

Alligator Boy – Cynthia Rylant
If the Dinosaurs Came Back – Bernard Most
The Relative Came – Cynthia Rylant
Rain Make Applesauce – Julian Scheer
Caps for Sale – Esphyr Slobodkina
My Big Dog – Janet Stevens
Many Moons – James Thurber
A Tree Is Nice – Janice May Udry
And the Dish Ran Away With the Spoon – Janet Stevens
Spider Man Storybook Collection
Tops & Bottoms – Janet Stevens
A House That Once Was – Julie Fogliano
I Love Trains! – Philemon Sturges
Casey at the Bat – Ernest Thayer
Ish – Peter Reynolds
Trio – Andrea Wisniewski
On Duck Pond – Jane Yolen
Blue Goose – Nancy Tafuri
Flower Fairies of the Autumn – Cicely Mary Barker
Happy Dreamer – Peter Reynolds
Little Bear – Elsie Minarik
Eating the Alphabet – Lois Ehlert
The Princess and the Pea – Janet Stevens
The Great Fuzz Frenzy – Janet Stevens
Read the Book, Lemmings – Ame Dyckman

What Mommies Do Best; What Daddies Do Best – Laura Numeroff

Which Puppy – Kate Feiffer

The Apple Pie That Papa Baked – Lauren Thompson

The Sun, Our Nearest Star – Franklyn Branley

This Is the Farmer – Nancy Tafuri

When I Was Young in the Mountains – Cynthia Rylant

Spots, Feathers, and Curly Tails – Nancy Tafuri

Happy Birthday, Moon – Frank Asch

10 Little Ninjas – Miranda Paul

Apple Farmer Annie – Monica Wellington

What the Sun Sees, What the Moon Sees – Nancy Tafuri

Moonbear's Shadow – Frank Asch

There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed a Clover – Lucille Colandro

So Few of Me – Peter Reynolds

Mercy Watson to the Rescue – Kate DiCamillo

Sun Up, Sun Down – Gail Gibbons

Mercy Watson Goes for A Ride – Kate DiCamillo

Flora's Very Windy Day – Jeanne Birdsall

Playing from the Heart – Peter Reynolds

County Fair – Laura Ingalls Wilder

Life – Cynthia Rylant

Charlie Needs a Cloak – Tomie DePaola

Because of Winn-Dixie – Kate DiCamillo

There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly – Simms Taback

Flowers – Gail Gibbons

Jabari Jumps – Gaia Cornwall

The Very Quiet Cricket – Eric Carle

The Napping House – Audrey Wood

From Seed to Plant – Gail Gibbons

The Very Busy Spider – Eric Carle

Magic Treehouse Books 1-4 – Mary Pope Osbourne

A House for Hermit Crab – Eric Carle

Honey...Honey...Lion! – Jan Brett

Armadillo Rodeo – Jan Brett

A Chair for My Mother – Vera Williams

The Keeping Quilt – Patricia Polacco

Penguin Problems – Jory John

Water Can Be – Laura Salas

Miss Maple's Seeds – Eliza Wheeler

Can Somebody Please Scratch My Back? – Jory John

Roxaboxen – Alice McLerran

Amazing Grace – Mary Hoffman

The Very Clumsy Click Beetle – Eric Carle

I Love You Already! – Jory John

Dinosaurs! – Gail Gibbons

King & Kayla and the Case of the Lost Tooth – Dori Butler

A Leaf Can Be – Laura Salas

Goodnight Already! – Jory John

Come Home Already! – Jory John

At Night – Jonathan Bean

The House in the Night – Susan Swanson

Time of Wonder – Robert McCloskey

King and Kayla and the Case of the Secret Code – Dori Butler

Mommies Say Shhh! – Patricia Polacco

Pancakes for Breakfast – Tomie DePaola

Building Our House – Jonathan Bean

Andy & Sandy’s Anything Adventure – Tomie DePaola

The Three Billy Goats Gruff – Jerry Pinkney

Moonshot – Brian Floca

How to Make a Cherry Pie and See the USA – Marjorie Priceman

Jamberry – Bruce Degen

This Is My Home, This Is My School – Jonathan Bean

This Plus That – Amy Rosenthal

Locomotive – Brian Floca

Good Dog, Carl – Alexandra Day

The Lion & The Mouse – Jerry Pinkney

We’re Going on A Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen

King and Kayla and the Case of the Missing Dog Treats – Dori Butler

All About Level 4 Readers

The Lion, The Witch, & The Wardrobe – CS Lewis

The Crippled Lamb – Max Lucado

Home for Christmas – Jan Brett

Pick a Pine Tree – Patricia Toht

The Legend of the Poinsettia – Tomie DePaola

Merry Christmas, Big Hungry Bear! – Don Wood

The Mitten – Jim Ayelsworth

Mr. Willowby’s Christmas Tree – Robert Barry

The Nutcracker – Susan Jeffers

An Orange for Frankie – Patricia Polacco

Strega Nona’s Gift – Tomie DePaola

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain – Verna Aardema

The Christmas Boot – Lisa Wheeler

My Grandfather’s Coat – Jim Aylesworth

Pet Show! – Ezra Jack Keats

Pete the Cat Storybook Collection – James Dean

Santa Claus and the Three Bears – Maria Modugno

Who Would Win: Whale vs Giant Squid – Jerry Pallotta

Bear Stays Up for Christmas – Karma Wilson

Christmas in the Barn – Margaret Wise Brown

Gingerbread Christmas – Jan Brett

Lightship – Brian Floca

One Starry Night – Lauren Thompson

Plant Secrets – Emily Goodman

Red & Lulu – Matt Tavares

The Gardner – Sarah Stewart

The Seven Silly Eaters – Mary Ann Hoberman

The Racecar Alphabet – Brian Floca

Cricter – Tomi Ungerer

I’d Know You Anywhere My Love – Nancy Tillman

Pretend – Jennifer Plecas

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day – Ray Cruz

Owl Moon – Jane Yolen

Harry and the Lady Next Door – Gene Zion

The Circus is Coming – Hilary Knight

The Frog and Toad Storybook Treasury – Arnold Lobel

Bee Bim Bop – Linda Sue Park

Batman Reader Collection

Danny and the Dinosaur – Syd Hoff

Peanuts 5 Minute Story Collection – Charles Schultz

The Art Lesson – Tomie DePaola

The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe – CS Lewis