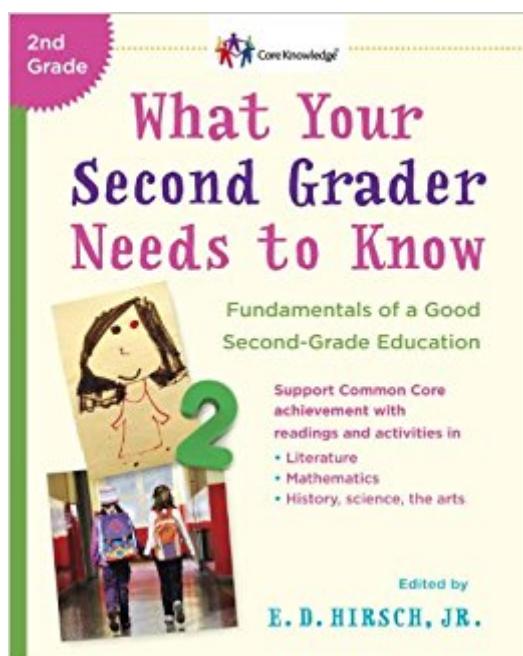


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# What Your Second Grader Needs To Know: Fundamentals Of A Good Second-Grade Education Revised (Core Knowledge Series)



## Synopsis

Give your child a smart start with *What Your Second Grader Needs to Know* Â What will your child be expected to learn in the second grade? How can you help him or her at home? This book answers these all-important questions and more, offering the specific shared knowledge that hundreds of parents and teachers across the nation have agreed upon for American second graders. Designed for parents and teachers to enjoy with children, featuring a new Introduction, this second-grade volume of the Core Knowledge Series presents the knowledge and skills that should be at the core of a challenging second-grade education, including Â ¢ Favorite poemsâ "old and new, from â œCaterpillarsâ • to Gwendolyn Brooksâ ™s prizewinning â œRudolph Is Tired of the Cityâ • â ¢ Literatureâ "from around the world, with African folktales, American tall tales, European fairy tales, and classic myths from ancient Greece â ¢ Learning about languageâ "the basic building blocks of written English, all explained with a touch of humor and common sense â ¢ World and American history and geographyâ "visit Japan, explore ancient Greece, travel the Underground Railroad with Harriet Tubman â ¢ Visual artsâ "with activities and full-color illustrations of masterworks by El Greco, Van Gogh, Matisse, and others â ¢ Musicâ "basic theory, great composers, instruments, and fun-to-sing songs such as â œIâ ™ve Been Working on the Railroadâ • and â œDo-Re-Miâ • â ¢ Mathâ "challenging lessons ranging from telling time to doing fractions, numbers to 100, and a first look at geometry â ¢ Scienceâ "the cycle of life and the seasons, levers and magnets, the wonder of the human body, and more, with lots of hands-on activities and stories about famous scientists

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I've previously read two other books in this series, and this one delivered up to expectations. It's just a nice overview for what second-graders should know when they are done with their grade, and it touches on all the classic subjects. We use it as a supplement for homeschooling.

I bought this book while planning out our third year of home education. Our first year was through a public e-school, and we in the middle of the second year for various reasons. Now that we've got the hang of going it on our own, I am looking to round out her education. The author has very strong ideas about how schools should be reformed. I do agree on the school reformation, but I did not buy the book for that reason. Luckily, he keeps the personal views short. This book is not just a list of topics that children need to learn each year. Included are classic stories and fables; history, geography, and social studies lessons; easy to understand math lessons; as well as visual arts and music. Much is left out when teachers must spend time on remedial studies and teaching to tests. This book helps provide enrichment for families that public school. It also serves as a great planning guide and works as an addition to home school curriculum. I will recommend this to my home-school and public-school friends alike.

While this is not to be used as a full curriculum or should it be considered "everything you have to teach your child this year". It is an excellent tool for either home schooling or extra learning for a traditionally schooled child. The lessons are brief and to the point. It is set up to be discussed with or read with your child but you can also assign your child to read a few lessons/pages himself. It covers everything from poetry to various history and geography, to art and music, math and

science. All in short "lessons" that can be read or discussed in few minutes. As a new home school family I use this for a basis to create units and spelling words. I also assign my daughter passages to read out loud to me while I am making lunch or putting away laundry.

I have bought the 'What your First Grader Needs to Know" and I loved it.. Now that my son is in 2nd grade, I bought this and couldn't be happier.. Lots of very useful information and my son loves it.

I purchased this book to help my twin daughters who were falling behind in the classroom. We started reading some of the lessons on Saturday mornings together and two weeks later they know the material before it is even taught in class! This book is very complete. I love that it contains all material including Math, Grammar, Science, and SS, and also Music, and Visual Arts. It is all I needed to help my daughters succeed in class.

This book is a great supplement for first or second graders. My daughter loves looking at it and hearing the stories from it.

Dr. Hirsch reminds us that learning is much more valuable than the power we attain to earn a living. Learning opens young people's minds to a much broader base than basic reading, writing, and arithmetic -- the arts, mythology, language and literature, history, sociology, critical thinking, etc. ALL of his books What Your \_\_\_ Grader Needs to Know are WONDERFUL! I bought this one for my daughter who is becoming a teacher and her son who is a 2nd grader. Thank you, Dr. Hirsch, for filling in SO MANY gaps in our children's educations!!!!

We used it as a supplement to the english course (as a foreign language) for my 9 year old. Great language and interesting read. A lot of useful information. It is mainly tageted for american kids, but my daughter found all the paragrapbs about american history and geography very interesting! I recommend it to everyone who has children.

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