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LAKSHYA/TARGETS FOR FOUNDATIONAL LITERACY

Balvatika or Age 5-6



Oral Language

1. Talks to friends and teachers
2. Sings rhymes/poems with understanding



Reading

1. Looks at books and attempts reading the story with the help of pictures
2. Begins to point out and recognize some familiar repeated words (sight words or words on containers/food wrappers)
3. Recognises letters and corresponding sounds
4. Reads simple words comprising of at least 2 to 3 alphabets.



Writing

1. Imitates act of writing during play begins to form recognizable letters.
2. Scribbles/draws and paints for self-expression.
3. Uses a pencil and holds it properly to form recognizable letters
4. Recognizes and writes his/her own first name





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Class I or age 6-7



Oral Language

1. Converses with friends and class teacher about her needs, surroundings.
2. Talks about the print available in the classroom.
3. Recites rhymes/ poems/ songs with action.



Reading

1. Participates during read aloud/story telling session in an active way and answers questions during and after story session; acts out familiar story with props and puppets
2. Uses sound symbol correspondence to write words with invented spellings.
3. Reads small sentences consisting of at least 4-5 simple words in an age appropriate unknown text.



Writing

1. Develops familiarity with matras in the words occurring in familiar contexts (story/poems/ environment print etc.)
2. Writes, draws, and /or make things to convey meaning and represent names on her/his worksheet, greeting messages, draws pictures that are recognizable objects/people





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Class II or age 7-8



Oral Language

1. Converses and talks about the print available in the classroom.
2. Engages in conversation to ask questions and listens to others.
3. Recites songs/ poems.
4. Repeats familiar words occurring in stories/ poems/print etc.



Reading

1. Reads and narrates/re-tells the stories from children's literature/textbook.
2. Makes new words from the letters of a given word
3. Reads unknown text of 8-10 sentences with simple words with appropriate speed (approximately 30 to 45 words per minute correctly) and clarity.



Writing

1. Writes short/simple sentences correctly to express herself.
2. Recognizes naming words, action words and punctuation marks.





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Class III or age 8-9



Oral Language

1. Converses with clarity using suitable vocabulary in home/ school language.
2. Talks about the print available in the classroom.
3. Engages in conversation to ask questions, narrate experiences, listens to others, and respond.
4. Recites poems individually and in group with intonation and modulation of voice.



Reading

1. Finds information in familiar books/textbooks.
2. Reads atleast 60 words per minute correctly and with comprehension depending on the language and with correct pronunciation from an age appropriate unknown text.
3. Reads and follows instructions given in the text
4. Can answer at least 3 out of 4 questions based on reading of an age appropriate unknown story/paragraph of 8-10 sentences.



Writing

1. Writes short messages for different purposes.
2. Uses action words, naming words and punctuation marks for writing.
3. Writes grammatically correct sentences.
4. Writes short paragraph and short stories on her/his own with grammatically correct sentences.

