

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Curriculum and Standards

Houghton Mifflin Language Arts
Pacing Calendar 2008-2009 – Grade 3

August 2006				
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Back to School Unit: <i>The Rule</i> August 18 – August 22 (5 days)	Suggested Days
Introducing California Standards (Yellow Tab) Back to School Lessons Phonics Decoding begins August 20* Unit Wrap-Up and Informal Classroom Assessment Launch Theme 1 Baseline Writing Prompt August 20 – 22 (select one day)*	5

September 2006				
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THEME 1: <i>Off to Adventure!</i> August 25 – September 26 (24 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Personal Narrative</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested days
Labor Day September 1	
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Roadside America</i> Anthology: <i>The Lost and Found</i> Phonics Decoding Test completed September 12	8*
Back to School Night September 9	
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Spy Run</i> Anthology: <i>The Ballad of Mulan</i>	8*
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Davy Lowe</i> Anthology: <i>The Waterfall</i> Theme 1 Assessment September 24 – 26 Launch Theme 2 Reading First Skills Theme 1/Launch Theme 2 September 25 – 26	8*
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Theme 1 Assessment scanned by October 1 Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 1 scanned by September 30 Phonics Decoding Test scanned by September 22	

*Phonics Decoding Survey used for students who are below basic and far below basic.

*Use as entry level data and save for end-of-year reflection.

*Additional day(s) for re-teaching/enrichment

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September 2006				
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November 2006				
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THEME 2: <i>Celebrating Traditions</i> September 29 – November 14 (34 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>Instructions</i> To be taught throughout the theme		Suggested Days
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>What Turkeys Eat for Thanksgiving</i> Anthology: <i>The Keeping Quilt</i>		8*
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Honoring Our Two Greatest Presidents</i> Anthology: <i>Anthony Reynoso: Born to Rope</i> First Writing Prompt End of First Grading Period October 17		8*
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Storytelling Trees</i> Anthology: <i>The Talking Cloth</i>		8*
Selection 4: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Punxsutawney Phil: The King of Groundhog Day</i> Anthology: <i>Dancing Rainbows</i> Launch Theme 3		8*
Parent Conferences November 3 – 7		
Veteran’s Day November 11		
Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 2 November 13 – 14 FOCUS ON: Trickster Tales Theme 2 Assessment November 12 – 14		2
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: First Writing Prompt October 13 – 15 (select one day) First Writing Prompt scanned by October 22 Theme 2 Assessment scanned by November 19 Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 2 scanned by November 19		

*Report Cards are to be released during Parent Conference Week.

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THEME 3: <i>Incredible Stories</i>	Suggested Days
November 17 – January 13 (30 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Story</i> To be taught throughout the theme	
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Cows from Outer Space</i> Anthology: <i>Dogzilla</i>	8*
Thanksgiving Vacation November 27 – 28	
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Bones Brothers and the Frozen Fence</i> Anthology: <i>The Mysterious Giant of Barletta</i>	7
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The One-Horse Farmer</i> Anthology: <i>Raising Dragons</i> Second Writing Prompt Winter Summative December 17 – 19	8*
Winter Break December 22 – January 2	
Selection 4: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Copycat Mouse</i> Anthology: <i>The Garden of Abdul Gasazi</i> Phonics Decoding begins January 5 Reading First Skills Assessment January 12 – 13	7
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Second Writing Prompt December 15 – 17 (select one day) Second Writing Prompt scanned by January 9 Winter Summative December 17 – 19 Winter Summative scanned by January 9 Reading First Theme 3 scanned by January 16	

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THEME 4: <i>Animal Habitats</i> January 14 – February 20 (25 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Research Report</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Launch Theme 4 Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Cuckoo With Many Nicknames</i> Anthology: <i>Nights of the Pufflings</i> Phonics Decoding Test Completed January 23 End of Second Grading Period January 9	8*
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day January 19	
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>In the Rain</i> Anthology: <i>Seal Surfer</i> Report to Parents sent home January 23	8*
Lincoln Day February 9	
Washington Day February 16	
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Should You Help Baby Animals?</i> Anthology: <i>Two Days in May</i> Theme 4 Assessment February 18 – 20 Launch Theme 5 Reading First Skills Assessments Theme 4 February 19 – 20	9*
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Phonics Decoding Test scanned by January 30 Theme 4 Assessment scanned by February 25 Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 4 scanned by February 27	

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THEME 5: <i>Voyagers</i>	Suggested Days
February 23 – April 3 (30 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Description</i> To be taught throughout the theme	
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Sugar: Cross-Country Traveler</i> Anthology: <i>Across the Wide Dark Sea</i>	8*
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Pedro’s Journal</i> Anthology: <i>Yunmi and Halmoni’s Trip</i> Spring Summative March 11 – 13 End of Third Grading Period March 13	8*
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Going West: Children on the Oregon Trail</i> Anthology: <i>Trapped by the Ice!</i> Third Writing Prompt	9*
FOCUS ON: Biography Report to Parents sent home March 27 Reading First Skills Theme 5 April 2 – 3	5
Spring Break April 6 – 10	
In Lieu of Admission Day April 13	
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Third Writing Prompt March 23 – 25 (select one day) Third Writing Prompt scanned by April 2 Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 5 scanned by April 16 Spring Summative March 11 – 13 Spring Summative scanned by March 18	

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THEME 6: <i>Smart Solutions</i>	Suggested Days
April 14 – May 28 (32 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Persuasive Essay</i> To be taught throughout the theme	
Launch Theme 6 Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Penny's Present</i> Anthology: <i>Pepita Talks Twice</i> STAR Testing	10**
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Enormous Turkey</i> Anthology: <i>Poppa's New Pants</i> Phonics Decoding Test begins May 4	9*
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Fastest Cat on Earth</i> Anthology: <i>Ramona Quimby, Age 8</i> Fourth Writing Prompt Baseline/Fourth Writing Prompt Reflection* Theme 6 Assessment May 20 – 22 Reading First EOY Fluency May 14 – 15 Reading First Skills Theme 6 May 21 – 22 (exclude Theme 6 Fluency)	9**
Memorial Day May 25	
Standards Review and Enrichment Phonics Decoding Test completed by May 22 Report to Parents sent home May 28	4
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Fourth Writing Prompt May 18 – 20 (select one day) Fourth Writing Prompt scanned by May 28 Theme 6 Assessment scanned by May 28 Reading First End-of-Year Fluency scanned by May 20 Reading First Skills Assessment Theme 6 scanned by May 28 (exclude Theme 6 Fluency replaced by EOY) Phonics Decoding Test scanned by May 28	

*Compare Baseline Writing with Fourth Writing Prompt to assess growth.

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