

BJU Press Reading & English Curriculum LifeBridge Academy 2023-2024





BJU Press encourages higher-level thinking, emphasizes Biblical principles and truths, and helps students grow in reading comprehension with compelling stories. The two-volume reading educational materials includes familiar stories as well as exciting new reading selections. It also encourages multi-level discussion questions to promote critical thinking and suggestions for pre-reading and post-reading activities to meet multiple-learning needs.



Vision

To equip students to enjoy lifelong reading, to analyze and interpret a variety of genres, to evaluate all that they read from a biblical worldview, and to become effective communicators.

Goals

- Foster a joy of reading
- Differentiate instruction with reading groups to meet the instructional needs of individual students
- Integrate a phonogram approach to phonics teaching and word-work instruction
- Teach vocabulary in context
- Encourage fluency by first reading silently for comprehension and then orally for communication
- Enhance comprehension through literary skills and strategies
- Develop discernment by evaluating literature from a biblical worldview



Goals for English Instruction

Strengthen the student's knowledge of God and encourage Christian growth

- Promote the understanding that God created language and uses written language (the Bible) to communicate His truth and love.
- Cultivate a desire to honor God and show love to others through listening , speaking, reading, and writing.
- Provide opportunities to glorify God through formal and informal speaking and writing.
- Develop speaking and writing skills that can be used to testify of God's grace and salvation.

Equip the student to apply grammar and writing skills in order to produce accurate, God-honoring communication

- Appreciate language as a gift from God.
- Encourage enjoyment through chapter themes and Literature Links.
- Teach new terms in context.
- Promote retention of information through spiral review. Encourage writing fluency and effectiveness through the Writing Process.
- Cultivate an atmosphere where students listen respectfully and speak with kindness.