



Overview of the Year for Second-Grade Readers

SEPTEMBER	UNIT 1: Taking Charge of Reading
OCTOBER	UNIT 2: Tackling Trouble: Assessment-Based Small-Group Work
NOVEMBER	UNIT 3: Characters Face Bigger Challenges—and So Do Readers
DECEMBER	UNIT 4: Reading Nonfiction, Reading the World
JANUARY/FEBRUARY	UNIT 5: Series Reading and Cross-Genre Reading Clubs
FEBRUARY/MARCH	UNIT 6: Nonfiction Reading Clubs
APRIL/MAY	UNIT 7: Reading and Role Playing: Fiction, Folktales, and Fairy Tales
MAY/JUNE	UNIT 8: Readers Can Read about Science Topics to Become Experts

How happy we are to share the 2011–2012 curricular calendar with you. Those of you who receive new calendars every year may glance at this quickly and notice that in many ways it is similar to last year’s. It is true that we’ve tried to maintain most of the same units, but crucial changes are woven throughout.

This curricular calendar has been designed for second-grade teachers and is aligned with the new Common Core State Standards. We have also taken into account benchmark reading levels for second grade. You can find the TCRWP’s Benchmarks for Independent Reading Levels chart on our website, www.readingandwritingproject.com. This chart has been developed based on data that we have collected over the years. To