



Good Shepherd Christian Academy

6th Grade

Course of Study

English

English 6 consists of the study of reading (literature), writing and grammar, and vocabulary.

Reading (literature)

Text: Christian Publisher Bob Jones Press , *Pages in My Head*

Content: Christian lessons are taught through each literature piece as well as literature skills. The goals for this portion of the course are:

- Teaches biblical principles and discernment for daily living
- Develops higher-level thinking skills
- Build skills needed for lifelong learning
- Fosters enjoyment and appreciation for reading and learning
- Meets the needs of individual students

The reading program is divided into six thematic units: **Unit 1** Perspectives, **Unit 2** Victories, **Unit 3** Ventures, **Unit 4** Extravaganzas, **Unit 5** Distant Realms, **Unit 6** Overcomers

Writing and Grammar

Text: Christian Publisher Bob Jones Press, *Writing and Grammar*

Content: The goals for this portion of the course are students to:

- Foster an appreciation of language as a gift from God
- Develops the correct use of English grammar in written and oral communication
- Uses the Writing Process to teach different types of compositions
- Encourages clear and effective writing
- Develops study and reference skills
- Improves listening and speaking skills
- Encourages enjoyment through chapter themes and connections to other subject areas

The writing and grammar program has 16 chapters and each chapter focuses on a specific writing device. The grammar study focuses on: sentences, nouns, verbs, study and reference skills, pronouns, phrases and clauses, adjectives, adverbs & prepositions. In the writing curriculum, pupils learn to write: a personal narrative, a newspaper editorial, written instructions, a research report, historical fiction, a compare-contrast essay, a limerick & free verse, and a cover letter.

Vocabulary

Text: Great Source, *Vocabulary for Achievement*

Content: This is a systematic program of vocabulary development that provides comprehensive instructions and application of word meanings. These four principles guide the program:

1. Clear structured lessons teach best
2. Application of meanings and rich context aids retentions
3. Learning vocabulary acquisition skills promotes independent learning
4. Vocabulary instruction must be accessible and adaptable to classroom needs.

These four principles are reflected throughout the program, which provides the structure necessary for students to learn new words; to apply them in a variety of practice formats to ensure ownership; and to use dictionary, reasoning, context, test-taking, and word structure skills to independently build and incorporate their growing pool of words.

Mathematics

Text: Math Connects, Course 1 by McGraw-Hill/Glencoe

Perspective: The development of a student's power to use mathematics involves learning the signs, symbols, and terms of mathematics. This is best accomplished in problem situations where students have the opportunity to read, write, and discuss ideas in which the use of the language of mathematics becomes natural. As students communicate their ideas, they learn to clarify, refine, and consolidate their thinking.

Content:

Algebra Number Patterns & Functions
Statistics & Graphs
Operations with Decimals
Fractions & Decimals
Operations with Fractions
Ratio, Proportion & Functions
Percent & Probability
Systems of Measurement
Geometry: Angles & Polygons
Measurement: Perimeter, Area & Volume
Integers & Transformations
Properties & Equations

Science

Text: Science 6 for Christian Schools by Bob Jones University Press

Content:

Changing Earth: Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Weathering, Erosion, Natural Resources
God's Living Creation: Cells, Animal & Plant Classification
Energy in Motion: Atoms, Molecules, Electricity, Magnetism, Motion
Beyond Our Earth: Stars & the Solar System
God's Continuing Plan: Plant & Animal Reproduction, Heredity & Genetics
Our Intricate Bodies: Nervous System and Immune System

Social Studies

Text: American History: Beginnings Through Reconstruction

Content:

Three Worlds Meet (Beginnings – 1650)
The English Colonies (1585-1763)
Creating a New Nation (1763-1791)
The Early Republic (1789-1844)
A Changing Nation (1821-1860)
A Nation Divided and Rebuilt (1846-1877)

Bible

Text: Wise Up, by Positive Action for Christ

Content:

Wisdom
Home Life
Honoring Parents
Responsibilities
Friendship
Sins
Walking in the Spirit
God's Will
Making Right Decisions
Success
Leadership

Other Courses

Foreign Language: Spanish or Arabic
Computers
PE
Music
Art
Chapel

Other Activities

Fieldtrips

Events