**A Family’s Guide to ELA and Mathematic Academic Standards**

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    - Your child will:
      * Explore syllables, vowel sounds and patterns in words and recognize the features of a sentence.
      * Listen to, read, talk and write about First grade fiction and non-fiction, using clues from the text to help make sense of and analyze what they have read.
      * Write in complete sentences and print neatly.
      * Speak and write using appropriate parts of speech, capitalization, punctuation and phonetic spelling, as well as language that shows a growing vocabulary.