

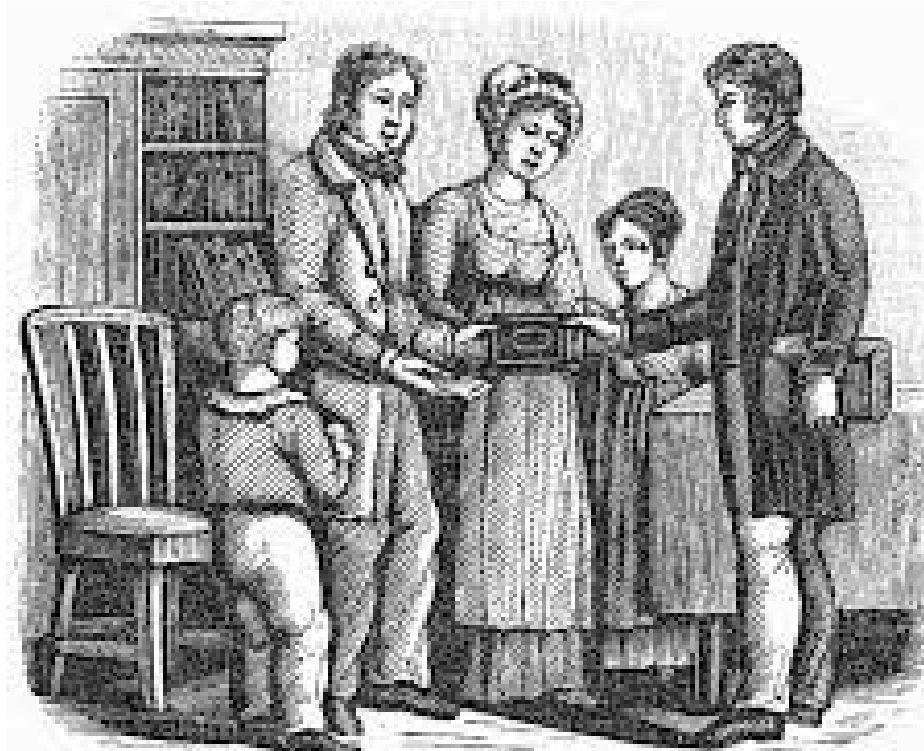


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Language 1B -
Reading & Writing I



*Good books create knowledge,
virtue and happiness*

Beginning Phonics, Reading, Penmanship, Spelling,
Grammar & Diagramming, Composition, Vocabulary,
Public Speaking, Literature with Types & Devices, & more...
plus the John A Widstoe Reading Club

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Introduction and Instructions

- **Before you have your child begin this course,** make sure that you have taken advantage of the LEARNING READINESS TESTING that is available in the Parent Classes Section PC 103. If you find any problem areas during the testing, seek professional help.
- Study Skills 1 and Success Skills 1 should be perused by the parent/teacher before beginning this course.
 - The lessons there should be worked into this course as the parent/teacher sees fit as they set the protocols for all courses.
- **This, Language Arts 1B, is the recommended first course in Language Arts** although it was the 2nd Language Arts Course written for Ascent Advantage Academy. It is a shorter version, and takes less time for each lesson. Therefore, it is more in sync with how the brain works and learns.
- Its main purpose is to teach reading.
 - Students learn both Beginning & Advanced Phonics
 - Students learn the 300 Most Common Words
 - The 300 Most Common account for 65% of the words on a typical page.
 - Students learn the Most Common words in Latter-day Saint vocabulary.
 - Students learn blending of sounds.
 - Students learn Accent & Syllabication rules.
- There are a few other goals:
 - Learning the types of sentences – Declarative, Interrogative, Imperative, Exclamatory.
 - Learning how mankind learned to read and write.
 - Learning why mankind learned to read and write.
 - Learning a bit of spelling - 12 lessons at the end of the course.
 - Learning some of the spelling rules.
 - Becoming familiar with good books, and reading good books.
 - This is in connection with the John A. Widstoe Reading Club.
 - See: Success Skills 1B.
 - Learning the Knowledge Keys for Study Skills Level 1.
 - Learning the Knowledge Keys for Success Skills Level 1.
- Language Arts 1 KNOWLEDGE KEYS are
 - The Beginning & Advanced Phonics
 - The Accent & Syllabication Rule
 - Reading of the Phonics and Word Grids
 - The Most Common Words & the Most Common Latter-day Saint words.
 - Learning How & WHY Mankind Learned to Read & Write
 - Knowing the definition of a sentence and the four basic types of sentences.

- Reading & Writing I, Language 1B, the LIVE ONLINE version, covers the following:
 - How mankind learned to read and write (It's in the Scriptures!)
 - How language works
 - The letters and their sounds - basic phonics
 - Blends and blending of sounds
 - Additional phonics
 - Syllabication Rules
 - Accent Rules
 - Reading of *The Friend*, phonics and word charts, books
 - The John A. Widstoe Reading Club
 - Reading comprehension
 - Literature types & devices
 - Manuscript(print) penmanship
 - Beginning Spelling Rules and words
 - Mechanics – capitalization and punctuation
 - Grammar – parts of speech, sentence construction
 - Composition – Sentences, paragraphs, stories, poems, reports
 - Dictionary & Thesaurus use
 - Vocabulary – word ladders, antonyms, synonyms, homonyms
 - Listening Skills
 - Recall
 - Auditory Comprehension
 - Speech in various modes
 - Study Skills
 - Success Skills – the 7 Habits of Happy Kids

- Materials
 - This two-folder Syllabus, the Teaching / Student Text.
 - Basic and Advanced Phonics Cards – See Adjuncts
 - Handwriting Packet – See Adjuncts
 - Spelling Rules Cards - See Adjuncts
 - Accent Cards See - Adjuncts
 - Syllabication Cards – See Adjuncts
 - Phonics & Word Reading Practice Charts included in the course
 - 300 Most Common Words Reading Charts included in the course
 - Capitalization - See Adjuncts for Language Arts 2
 - Punctuation Cards – See Adjuncts for Language Arts 2
 - Parts of Speech & Their Uses Cards - See Adjuncts for Language Arts 2
 - Sentence Definition, Types, and Constructions included in the course.
 - Listening Skills Chart – See Adjuncts
 - Library Card
 - Subscription to *The Friend*

- Format
 - 180 scripted lessons
 - 144 regular lessons
 - 36 reviews

- Time frame
 - Whatever the student needs
 - Some will master the contents of the course within a few months
 - Others may take 2 years.
 - Either is OK.
 - The main point is that the student learn to read and read well.

NOTE: LIVE CLASSES are OPEN-ENDED, meaning that a student advances to the next level when he/she has mastered the contents of the current level. Home learning should be the same.