4th Grade Reading/ELA

1st Semester Study List

1st Semester Spelling Words

**1st Nine Weeks Spelling Words:**

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| **Week 2** | **Week 3** | **Week 4** | **Week 5** | **Week 7** |
| 1. a lot 2. again 3. always 4. around 5. all right 6. argument | 1. beautiful 2. because 3. before 4. believe 5. bought | 1. brought 2. beginning 3. bored (meaning having no interest) 4. board (meaning piece of wood used for construction or a committee) | 1. decide 2. didn’t 3. different 4. details | 1. every 2. favorite 3. finally 4. first 5. friend |

**2nd Nine Weeks Spelling Words:**

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| **Week 10** | **Week 13** | **Week 14** | **Week 15** |
| 1. here (location) 2. hear (listen) 3. it’s (it is) 4. its (possessive pronoun) | 1. interesting 2. knew 3. know 4. no 5. little | 1. many 2. money 3. of (preposition) 4. off (adverb) | 1. people 2. pretty 3. really 4. received |

**1st Nine Weeks Word Parts:**

1. –spect—to look, to watch, to observe
2. re- --again
3. text—written words
4. –scribe—to write
5. trans--across

**2nd Nine Weeks Vocabulary and Word Parts:**

1. dis—away or apart; having a negative force
2. phone—a suffix meaning sound; used in words such as *homophone, earphones, headphones, telephone, cell phone*
3. sub—prefix meaning under
4. mono—prefix meaning one
5. arch—root word meaning ruler
6. English words originating in mythology:
   1. Herculean—an adjective describing a task that is huge or challenging and will take a lot of physical, mental, or emotional strength
   2. Pandora’s box—a term given to a situation that is better left alone; messing with it will only bring more problems
   3. Achilles heel—a term given to someone’s weakness or character flaw
   4. Trojan horse—a term given to a person or entity that appears harmless on the outside but is really harmful on the inside
   5. Midas touch—a term that describes a person’s ability to take a situation or an object that appears worthless and turn it into something that is worth much
   6. Narcissist—an adjective that describes someone who is totally self-involved