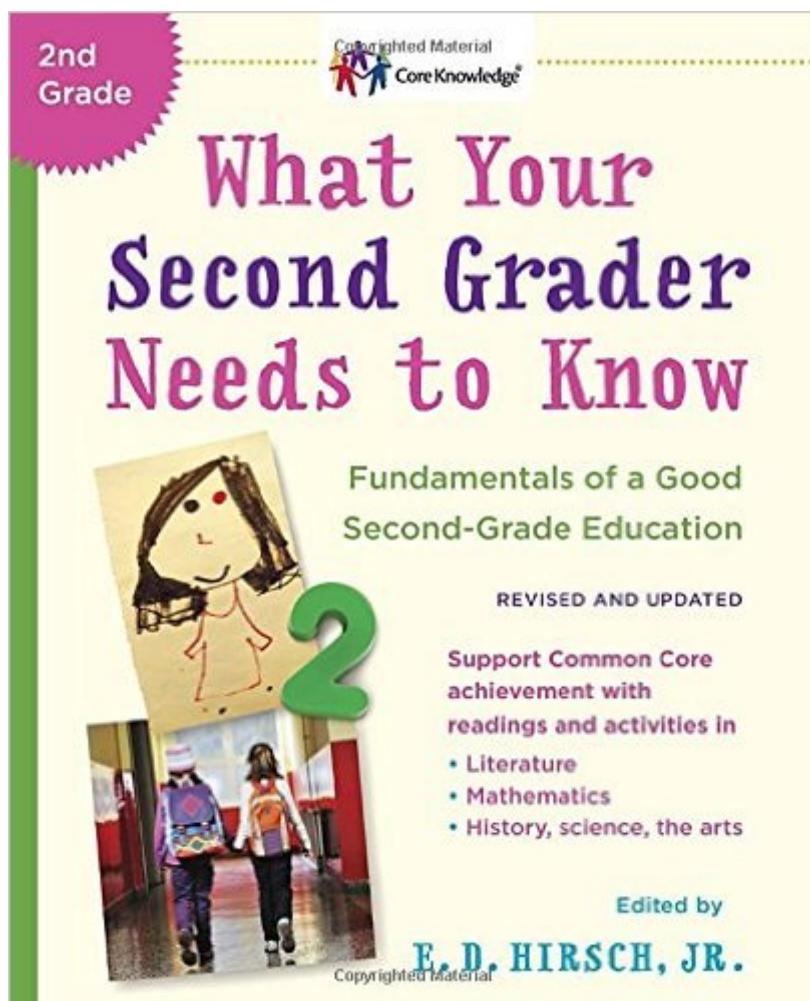


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# What Your Second Grader Needs To Know (Revised And Updated): Fundamentals Of A Good Second-Grade Education (Core Knowledge Series)



## Synopsis

Give your child a smart start with the revised and updated What Your Second Grader Needs to Know. What will your child be expected to learn in the second grade? How can you help him or her at home? This book answers these all-important questions and more, offering the specific shared knowledge that hundreds of parents and teachers across the nation have agreed upon for American second graders. Designed for parents and teachers to enjoy with children, featuring a new Introduction, this second-grade volume of the Core Knowledge Series presents the knowledge and skills that should be at the core of a challenging second-grade education, including:

- Favorite poems old and new, from "Caterpillars" to Gwendolyn Brooks' prizewinning "Rudolph Is Tired of the City."
- Literature from around the world, with African folktales, American tall tales, European fairy tales, and classic myths from ancient Greece.
- Learning about language—the basic building blocks of written English, all explained with a touch of humor and common sense.
- World and American history and geography—visit Japan, explore ancient Greece, travel the Underground Railroad with Harriet Tubman.
- Visual arts—with activities and full-color illustrations of masterworks by El Greco, Van Gogh, Matisse, and others.
- Music—basic theory, great composers, instruments, and fun-to-sing songs such as "I've Been Working on the Railroad" and "Do-Re-Mi."
- Math—challenging lessons ranging from telling time to doing fractions, numbers to 100, and a first look at geometry.
- Science—the cycle of life and the seasons, levers and magnets, the wonder of the human body, and more, with lots of hands-on activities and stories about famous scientists.

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## Customer Reviews

i enjoy these books they have been a life saver just starting homeschooling. Most of the other ones posted under the updated titles I have gotten so I was shocked to get the updated version. I have to say that I like the new layout to a certain point. The color code makes it easy to find what I need instead of me having to do tabs. At the same time the new updated one is a little harder layout to understand. The material has not changed in the book so to gets newer or older version makes no difference. I love that these have helped give me a lay out to go on for learning for my children. Many laws are so confusing and this makes it all very easy to cover all parts. Your will need to find free worksheets to supplement what is shown in the book but that is pretty easy. I also love that my children can look at it and understand what they are talking about. These books talk at and not over the children. This is a must get for all homeschoolers.

So many of our children have little or no "cultural" intelligence. As teenagers and adults they miss a lot of the nuances of communication with others simply because they have never learned things from basic nursery rhymes to at least an overview of local to national history & trends. This series handles this in a fun way at each grade level in only about 20-30 minutes a day! I used it with my sons in the 80s and 90s with great success and am now using it with my 7 yr old nephew.

My son really enjoys this book. I homeschooled, and I use this to supplement my youngest son's curriculum, but I have found him reading this in his room on his own. I highly recommend as a book for a summer refresher before second grade begins for your child, supplemental reading for your child during second grade, or as a supplement for homeschool.

This resource is awesome for homeschool moms who need new ideas or who even want to use this as a 2nd grade curriculum. My only complaint is that reading it out of order on Kindle is a pain. With the print version, it's a lot easier to hop around and do science lessons and then history lessons, etc. Still a great book and well worth the money.

This is a wonderful and informative book for curious kids. Note that the reading level isn't necessarily at par with children who have finished 1st grade. Your child has to be able to read small

chapter books to have the reading level to get through some parts this book. However, if you are willing to read it to your child, there is a ton of art/history, poetry, and science in here. We particularly love the funny poems, and it has got my child interested in reading and enunciating poems properly. I don't use the math section because we do math on our own, but we will continue to use this book through the second grade school year, just for the amount and variety of knowledge it provides.

We have used these books for many years in homeschooling our children. We find them to be an excellent cross-section of the world of which we want our children to be aware. In many ways they remind me of the Childcraft series I enjoyed as a younger man. The new revision of this particular offering is excellent, with more captivating graphics as well as significant changes in the content and focus. We have the older edition we used when teaching our older children, and highly recommend updating for this revision.

Good book with nice stories but not too much on math. Our daughters 2nd grade teacher said we should buy this to help our daughter with math. There is math in the book but there are no hints/help on how to teach the math. If you knew how to teach the math that your daughter needs help with you wouldn't be buying this book. Supposedly every school teaches common core differently. Our next door neighbor is a teacher and they didn't understand what our daughters teacher was teaching. The teacher made it sound like this book will explain all. It doesn't.

Better than expected, this book is actually a supplement for the kids to work on at home. I was not anticipating this, I was expecting a book geared towards parents and what to ensure we are reviewing with our children. This is an actual reader for the kids themselves and it is Exactly in line with the curriculum of her class, I love it!

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