

Core Knowledge at a Glance: Major Topic Headings, K–2

	Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade
Language Art/English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Reading and Writing II. Poetry III. Fiction IV. Sayings and Phrases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Reading and Writing II. Poetry III. Fiction IV. Sayings and Phrases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Reading and Writing II. Poetry III. Fiction (Stories; Greek Myths; Greek and Roman Myths) IV. Sayings and Phrases
History and Geography	<p>World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Spatial Sense II. Overview of the Seven Continents <p>American</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Geography II. Native Americans III. Early Exploration and Settlement (Columbus, Pilgrims, Independence Day) IV. Presidents, Past and Present V. Symbols and Figures 	<p>World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Geography II. Early Civilizations (Mesopotamia, Ancient Egypt, History of World Religions) III. Mexico <p>American</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Early People and Civilizations (Maya, Inca, Aztec) II. Early Exploration and Settlement III. American Revolution IV. Early Exploration of the American West V. Symbols and Figures 	<p>World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Geography II. Early Civilizations: Asia (India, China) III. Modern Civilization and Culture: Japan IV. Ancient Greece <p>American</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. American Government: The Constitution II. War of 1812 III. Westward Expansion IV. Civil War V. Immigration and Citizenship VI. Civil Rights VII. Geography of the Americas VIII. Symbols and Figures
Visual Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Elements of Art II. Sculpture III. Looking at and Talking About Art 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Art from Long Ago II. Elements of Art III. Kinds of Pictures: Portrait and Still Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Elements of Art II. Sculpture III. Kinds of Pictures: Landscapes IV. Abstract Art

Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Elements of Music II. Listening and Understanding III. Songs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Elements of Music II. Listening and Understanding (Composers; Orchestra; Opera; Ballet; Jazz) III. Songs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Elements of Music II. Listening and Understanding (Orchestra; Keyboards; Composers) III. Songs
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Patterns and Classification II. Numbers and Number Sense III. Money IV. Computation V. Measurement VI. Geometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Patterns and Classification II. Numbers and Number Sense III. Money IV. Computation V. Measurement VI. Geometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Numbers and Number Sense II. Fractions III. Money IV. Computation V. Measurement VI. Geometry
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Plants and Plant Growth II. Animals and Their Needs III. Human Body (Five Senses) IV. Introduction to Magnetism V. Seasons and Weather VI. Taking Care of the Earth VII. Science Biographies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Living Things and Their Environments II. Human Body (Body Systems) III. Matter IV. Properties of Matter: Measurement V. Introduction to Electricity VI. Astronomy VII. The Earth VIII. Science Biographies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Cycles in Nature (Seasonal Cycles; Life Cycles; Water Cycles) II. Insects III. Human Body (Cells; Digestive and Excretory Systems) IV. Magnetism V. Seasons and Weather VI. Simple Machines VII. Science Biographies