

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**  
**THIRD GRADE**  
**READING**

**PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT:** Language is recognized as a God given gift. Teaching reading, writing, grammar, spelling, and vocabulary empowers students to communicate effectively with others and with God. Students will have the ability and opportunity to express themselves creatively, preparing them for future endeavors.

**OBJECTIVE:** Our books are filled with enjoyable and exciting stories to keep every students interest at hand. They are also used for the students to practice their skill of reading aloud and with feeling. They will become more skillful with the English language through vocabulary, spelling, and writing skills.

**TEXTBOOK:** HSP California Excursions (Harcourt School Publishers)

**MATERIALS:** California Excursions Book, Spelling Book, Daily Language Drill Worksheets

**COURSE CONTENT:**

*Lesson 1- Character and Setting, "Ruby the Copycat", Short Vowels, Sentences*

*Lesson 2- Character and Setting, "The Day Eddie Met the Author", Root Word + Ending, Commands and Exclamations*

*Lesson 3- Locate Information, "Schools Around the World", Vowel Digraphs, Complete and Simple Subjects and Predicates*

*Lesson 4- Locate Information, "Ellen Ochoa, Astronaut", Plurals, Compound Subjects and Predicates*

*Lesson 5- Review*

*Lesson 6- Fact and Opinion, "The Babe and I", Compound Words, Simple and Compound Sentences*

*Lesson 7- Fact and Opinion, "Aero and Officer Mike", Consonant Digraphs, Common and Proper Nouns*

*Lesson 8- Main Idea and Details, "How Animals Talk", Diphthongs, Abbreviations*

*Lesson 9- Main Idea and Details, "Stone Soup", Consonant Blends & VCCCV Pattern, Singular and Plural Nouns*

*Lesson 10- Review*

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*Lesson 11- Plot, "Loved Best", C-le Syllable, Possessive Nouns*

*Lesson 12- Plot, "A Pen Pal for Max", Consonant Digraphs, Singular and Plural Nouns*

*Lesson 13- Authors Purpose, "A Tree is Growing", Consonants, Subject and Object Pronouns*

*Lesson 14- Authors Purpose, "One Small Place in a Tree", V/CV & VC/V Syllable Patterns, Pronoun-Antecedent Agreement*

*Lesson 15- Review*

*Lesson 16- Compare and Contrast, "Lon Po Po", r-controlled Vowel, Adjectives*

*Lesson 17- Compare and Contrast, "Two Bear Cubs", r- controlled Vowel, Adjectives that Compare*

*Lesson 18- Theme, "Me and Uncle Romie", Suffixes, Articles*

**AREAS TO BE EVALUATED:** Spelling Tests, Comprehension Drills, Lesson Tests

**ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:** Book Reports, Daily Oral Language and Writing