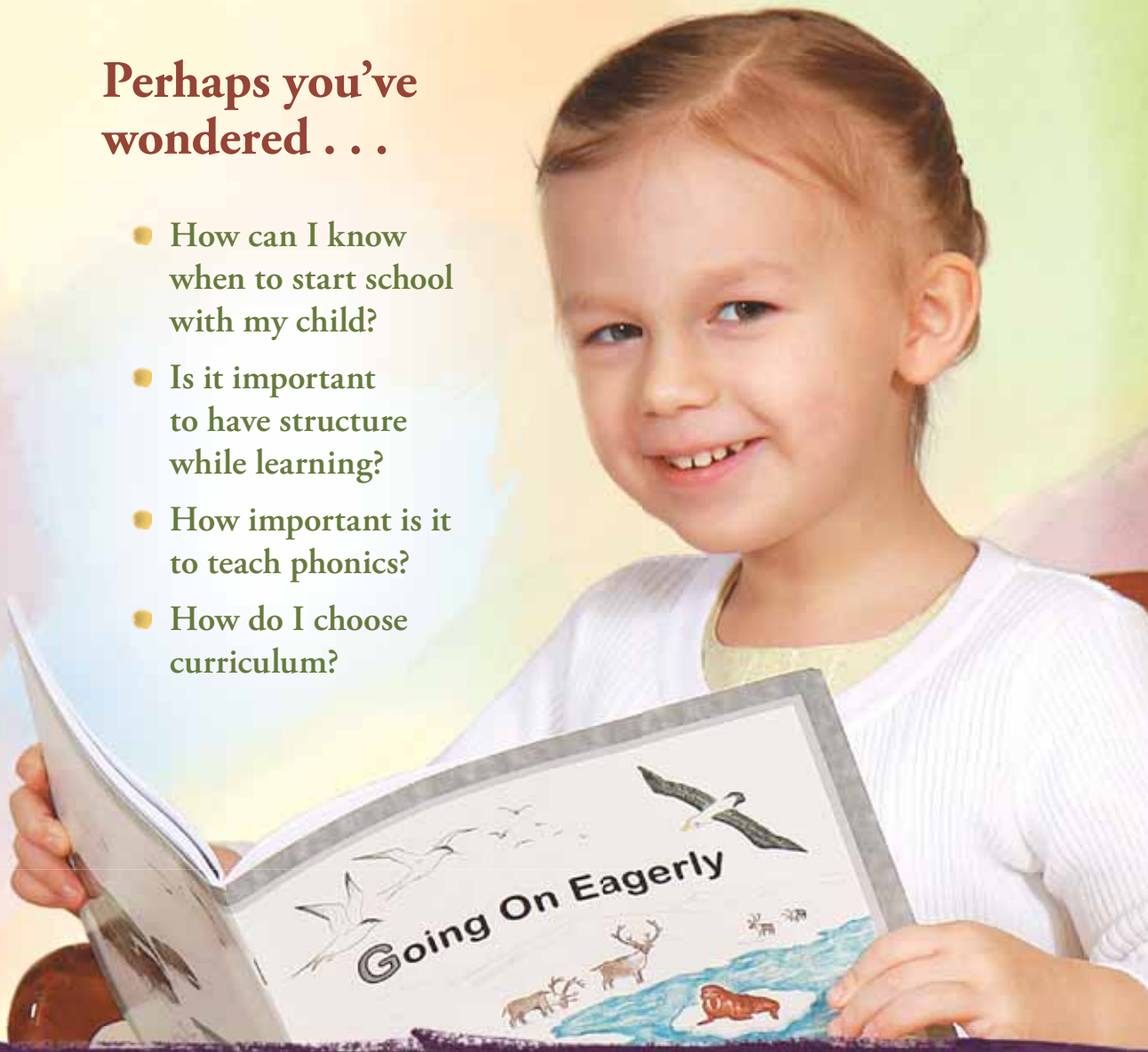


# Early Education

## in the HOME

Perhaps you've wondered . . .

- How can I know when to start school with my child?
- Is it important to have structure while learning?
- How important is it to teach phonics?
- How do I choose curriculum?





# Early Education

## in the HOME

**T**eaching your child to read is one of the highlights of home education. But how can you know when your child is ready for this important step? And how should you proceed once he is ready? CLE's early education program can help you answer these questions.

Beginning with the Beginner's Activity Series, and following that with the ABC Series, your 3- to 5-year-old can enjoy short periods of pre-reading activities a few times per week. As he matures, the frequency and duration of these lessons will gradually increase.

The time will come when you will sense that he is ready to begin studying phonics (typically between 4 and 6 years of age). You can then begin using the Learning to Read course. As your child progresses through Learning to Read you will increase your expectations until he is ready for other subjects such as Language Arts, Math, and if you wish, Bible, Social Studies, and Science.

By carefully observing your child's progress as you work with him, you can tailor his education in such a way that you will neither push him into formal education too early nor postpone his schooling when he is clearly ready.

The following pages are a typical plan of study for the homeschooled child using CLE for his early education.

### *Signs that your child may be ready to begin schooling:*

- ✓ Expresses interest in schooling
- ✓ Likes to draw, color, or scribble
- ✓ Respects your authority
- ✓ Follows directions well
- ✓ Likes to be read to for increasing time periods
- ✓ Obeys cheerfully (most of the time)
- ✓ Has a growing attention span

# ACTIVITY *Beginners Series*

Workbooks for young children three to four years old.



## *Creating a positive atmosphere of learning*

- *Keep lessons relaxed and informal in the early years*
- *Read to your child often (while cuddled on the couch)*
- *Let him make a mess while working, then help him clean it up*
- *Have lessons when he's most alert (probably right after breakfast)*
- *Allow time for creative play*
- *Scatter attractive, appealing books around the house*
- *Watch for physical discomfort (small legs dangling from a large chair can lose circulation)*
- *Be sensitive to the child who is easily distracted or has a short attention span*
- *Don't pressure your child to meet someone else's expectations*

**About Three** is a beginner's activity workbook for three- to four-year-olds. *About Three* gives practice in motor skills such as hand-eye coordination and visual comparisons. #845210 \$2.20

**Bigger Steps** is slightly advanced from the first book. However, the main focus is still on motor skills: hand-eye coordination and visual comparisons. Primary attention is given to number concepts. #845211 \$2.20

**Color, Count, and Cut** was designed with the four-year-old in mind. It gives practice in the three arts of counting, cutting, and coloring (focusing on coloring). The eight basic color words are introduced using eight different geometric shapes. This shape-color code is used throughout the book. #845212 \$2.20

**Doing My Best** was designed with four- and five-year-olds in mind. The number, cut, and paste exercises are slightly advanced from the previous book. The shape-color code, introduced in book three, will provide help for the coloring exercises. #845213 \$2.20

**Beginner's Activity Set** #815214 \$8.00

# ABC & GHI Readiness Series

Workbooks designed to prepare children for first grade.



## Adventures With Books

teaches colors and shapes with many coloring, cutout, and pasting activities.

**845231 Workbook \$2.80**

## Bible Stories to Read

contains 60 stories followed by questions for parents to read to their preschoolers or for use with *Bible Pictures to Color*.

**845233 Storybook \$5.75**

## Bible Pictures to Color

contains pictures that illustrate *Bible Stories to Read* stories.

**845232 Workbook \$2.80**

## Counting With Numbers

activities teach and reinforce the numbers from 1-10.

**845234 Workbook \$2.80**

**Do It Carefully** teaches children to work carefully, to form letters, to trace, to paste neatly, and to follow directions.

**845235 Workbook \$2.80**

## Everywhere We Go

reviews some skills taught in previous books. It teaches colors, shapes, numbers, letter writing, name writing, and hearing consonant sounds.

**845236 Workbook \$2.80**

## Finding the Answers

teaches about things that belong together, the senses, following directions, and developing comprehension.

**845237 Workbook \$2.80**

## ABC Readiness Set (A-F)

**845238 7 Books \$19.95**

**845239 6 Workbooks \$14.95**

**Going On Eagerly** teaches the basic colors, numbers 1-10, name writing, and more. Includes tracing, sequencing, and drawing practice.

Exercises relate to life in the polar regions.

**845241 Workbook \$2.80**

## Hearing and Helping

includes practice in consonant sounds and rhyming words and understanding words in sentence context.

**845242 Workbook \$2.80**

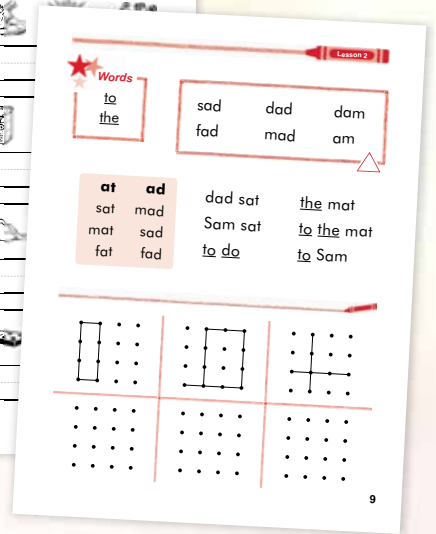
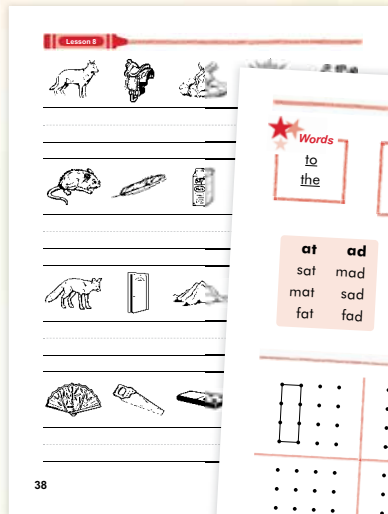
**Inside and Outside** introduces counting by 2s and 10s, math concepts, and seasons and weather.

**845243 Workbook \$2.80**



# Learning to Read

## PROGRAM



### Learning to Read.

CLE's widely-used, phonics-first reading program, is a comprehensive program introducing the beginning first grader to the basics of language arts. The lessons cover visual discrimination, listening, handwriting, phonics, spelling, and reading. Other subjects for first grade are coordinated with Learning to Read and are begun before its completion. This ties the first-grade curriculum together and provides a solid foundation that helps the child develop good work habits for independent study.

### LightUnits

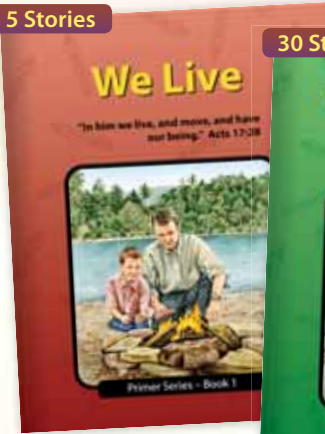
Ten LightUnits (workbooks) provide a variety of activities—pictures to color, writing practice, drilling of likenesses and differences, and pictures to identify the beginning sound or vowel sound. There are also words to sound and stories to read.

After the 35 basic sounds have been introduced, the lessons generally include a two-page story with questions to answer, a writing page, and a phonics page. The phonics page continues drill—sounding out words, marking vowels—as well as introducing more advanced concepts.

10 LightUnits

each \$3.25

5 Stories



30 Stories



18 Stories

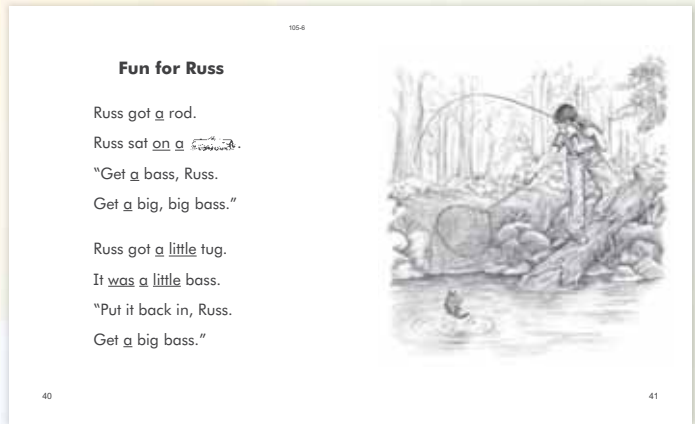


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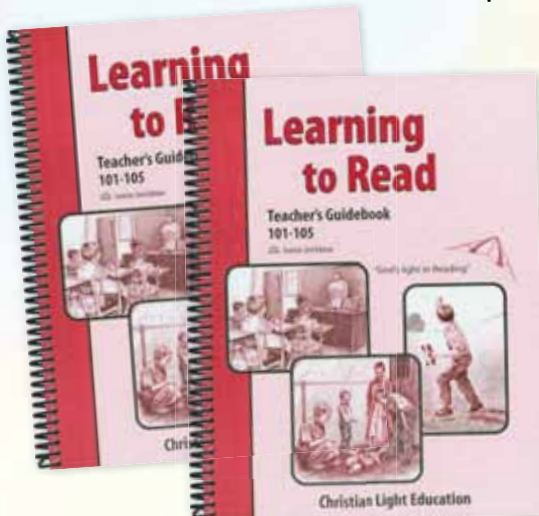


## Primers

Four delightful books, designed to motivate children with the thrill of reading, are an integral part of Learning to Read. The reading level slowly advances to match students' progress in the accompanying LightUnits. Softcover, illustrated with beautiful pencil-drawn art. By the time your child is in LightUnit 102 of Learning to Read, he will have the skills necessary to read stories from the Primers.



**We Live** (use with 102-103) **\$5.00**    **We Learn** (use with 107-108) **\$5.00**  
**We Explore** (use with 103-106) **\$5.00**    **We Discover** (use with 109-110) **\$5.00**



## Teacher's Guides

The two Teacher's Guides are essential to the program and provide answers and easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions for each lesson. They include a comprehensive outline; a summary of sounds, markings, and phonetic rules; teaching tips; activity ideas; games for reinforcement; and more. Also, they provide daily and yearly schedules to assist in planning. Teacher's Guides contain answers for the LightUnits. (Required.)

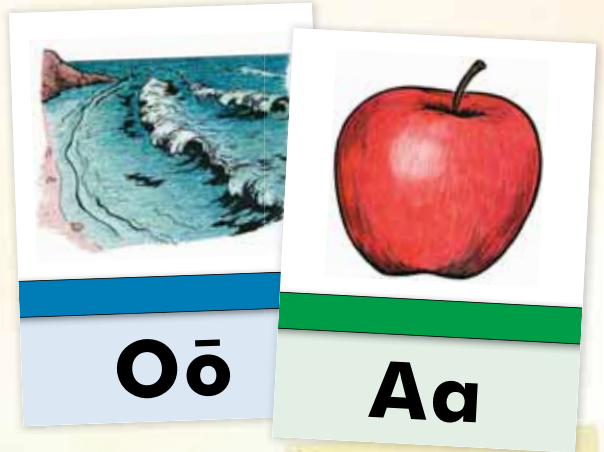
**2 Teacher's Guides** **\$14.00**

## Flash Cards

A letter card, story, and rhyme are used to introduce 21 consonants, four consonant digraphs, and the long and short vowel sounds. Each card contains a full-color picture. The name of the picture uses the sound of the letter. The story and rhyme are centered around the key word picture and often contain many words with the new sound. Students learn the rhyme and repeat it frequently throughout the lesson and in following lessons to help rivet the sound in their minds.

The story also contains a moral or draws the child's mind to the greatness of God's creation or God's care for him. Students develop listening comprehension by answering questions about the story. Word and phrase flashcards are an integral part of the program. Word cards improve word recognition speed. Phrase cards develop the skill of reading sentences quickly. Words and phrases are also listed in the back of the Teacher's Guide.

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|--------------------|---------|
| Letter Flash Cards | \$12.00 |
| Word Flash Cards   | \$10.00 |
| Phrase Flash Cards | \$14.00 |



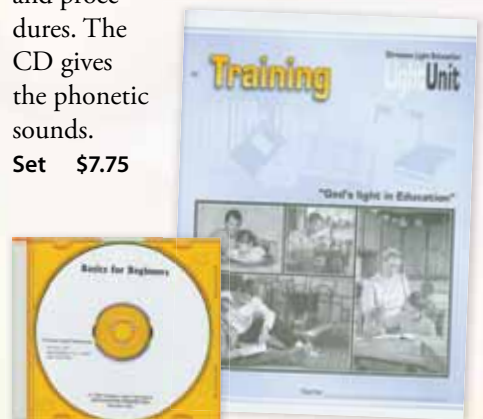
### *Ideas for adding spice and variety to learning:*

- Assemble jigsaw puzzles
- Trace and color pictures
- Look at picture books
- Make an ABC book (cut & paste pictures for each letter)
- Illustrate a story or event
- Drill with flash cards
- Begin and label a nature collection (leaves, rocks . . .)

## Teacher Training

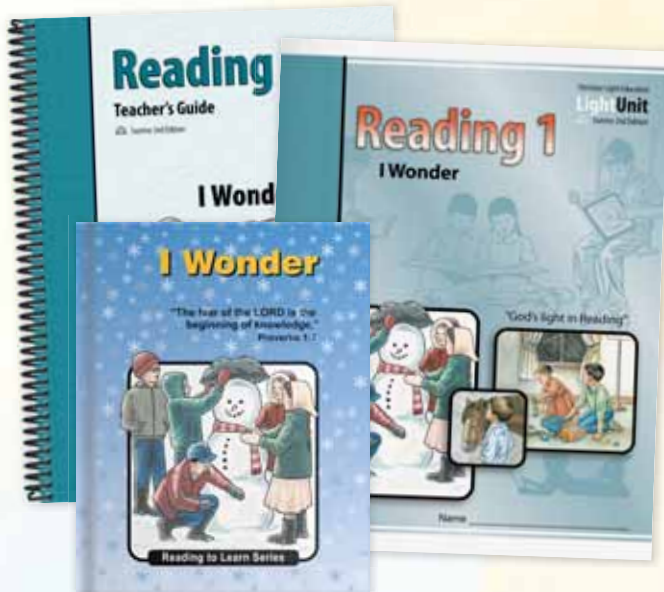
For teachers not acquainted with phonics, we recommend working through *Basics for Beginners*—a training LightUnit introducing Learning to Read methods and procedures. The CD gives the phonetic sounds.

Set \$7.75



# SUNRISE Reading

Reading begins where Learning to Read ends, providing review of phonics and mechanics, and majoring on comprehension and analytical skills.



**The Roll of Bread** Lesson 7

**Study Words**

|                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. bread (bréd)         | 6. golden (gól•dán)   |
| 2. busy (biz•ē)         | 7. once (wans)        |
| 3. clickety (klík•at•ē) | 8. shokty (shō•kat•ē) |
| 4. fields (fēldz)       | 9. sifted (sif•təd)   |
| 5. gentle (jén•təl)     | 10. sowed (sód)       |

Read the list to yourself two times. □

**A Write two Study Words with the ed suffix.** □

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**Know or Think?**

Some things we can know for sure. "I **know** 2 + 2 = 4."  
Other things we cannot know for sure. "I **think** it will rain."

**B Write know or think in the blanks.** □

2. I \_\_\_\_\_ the boy in the story was named Ted.

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## Reader

Remember when you were young and found a book you really liked, a book that transported you to new places and different times, a book in which you got so lost in adventure that you actually felt you were there? *I Wonder* will not only captivate your children's attention and increase their desire to read, it will reinforce the solid Christian values you want them to carry for a lifetime.

***I Wonder* Reader \$8.00**

## LightUnits

The LightUnit leads students in a variety of skills. Skills include recalling facts, interpreting simple figures of speech, comparing, predicting, recognizing degrees of importance, listening and speaking, and oral reading skills. Students begin to evaluate what they read; to apply it to everyday situations and to their own lives—in short, to think. Reading 100 requires some teacher involvement as students begin working more on their own.

**5 LightUnits each \$2.65**

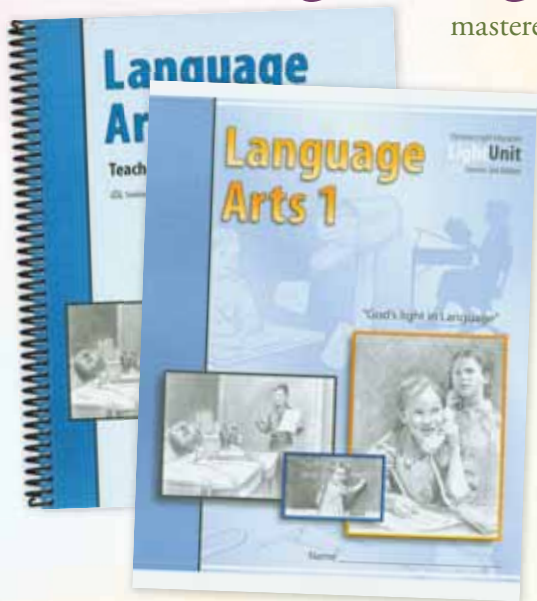
## Teacher's Guide

The Teacher's Guide is essential to teaching the course effectively and gives detailed help for each lesson, especially focusing on new concepts and the oral reading sessions. It includes alternate tests, a scope, and index. Also contains answers for the LightUnits. (Required.)

**Teacher's Guide \$9.00**

# SUNRISE Language Arts

Language Arts is for students who have mastered the first four LightUnits of Learning to Read.



## LightUnits

CLE's Language Arts program is built on two key concepts: incremental learning and continuous review. The incremental approach to teaching concepts builds "line upon line, precept upon precept" as each small segment builds on what has already been taught. A new concept is reviewed often—several times before being tested, and at regular intervals thereafter—to insure that students remember it.

**Phonics:** teaches most phonics sounds and spellings

**Spelling:** phonics review, word meanings

**Grammar:** nouns, describing words, suffixes, prefixes

**Penmanship:** all manuscript letters

**Creative Writing:** exploring, writing, sharing

**Communication Skills:** telephone, manners

**Mechanics:** capitals, periods, question marks, commas

## Teacher's Guide

The Teacher's Guide provides easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions for each lesson including the spelling and penmanship activities. Also included are alternate tests, a scope, index, wall card blacklines, and LightUnit answers. The Teacher's Guide is essential to teaching the course effectively. (Required.)

**Teacher's Guide** \$12.00

**10 Language Arts LightUnits** each \$3.25

## Phonics Charts

LA 100 Phonics Charts are a set of 23 cards illustrating spelling and pronunciation rules for first-grade language arts. The cards are 11" x 8½", and are also in half-size, reproducible form in the back of the LA 100 Teacher's Guide.

**Phonics Charts** \$6.00

## Extra Practice Sheets

Extra Practice Sheets give specific concentrated review for new or difficult concepts. Approximately 30 pages. (Reproducible.)

**Extra Practice Sheets** \$4.00



# SUNRISE Math



## LightUnits

CLE's Sunrise Math is a thorough program using the incremental learning approach. Each lesson introduces one or more bite-size concepts which are then reinforced by daily reviews. These reviews help students retain and improve skills. Student work contains exercises, quizzes, and tests—all divided into easy-to-use daily segments. Practical story problems with a Biblical worldview relate math to real life.

**10 LightUnits** each **\$3.25**

## Teacher's Guides

The Teacher's Guides are essential to teaching the course and include day-by-day instructions with suggested oral activities and flash-card work as well as LightUnit answers. (Required.)

**2 Teacher's Guides** **\$14.00**

## Counting Chart

Circling numbers on the 1-200 Counting Chart with a dry-erase marker helps children visualize number patterns and relationships. (Required.)

**\$1.50**

## My Calendar Book

This collection of supplemental enrichment activities is an excellent way to teach calendar concepts, observe weather, and introduce students to graphs and statistics. Teacher notes included. (Optional.) **\$4.90**

## My Counting Book

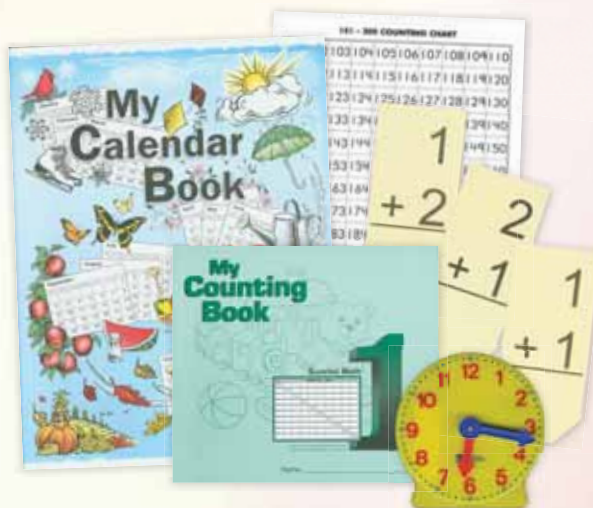
Children journey to 1,000 by writing ten numbers a day. Reinforces number writing, place value, and more. (Required.) **\$2.50**

## Flash Cards

The flash-card system ensures that each math fact is reviewed often enough for complete mastery. (Required.) **\$15.00**

## Clock with gears

This sturdy, durable, color-coded plastic clock is a helpful tool in teaching children to tell time. (Optional.) **\$2.00**



# SUNRISE *Bible*



## LightUnits

Our new Sunrise Bible course contains stories that capture the imagination and bring the Bible to life. Each lesson is a two-page spread with a simple Bible story and a corresponding activity.

**5 LightUnits** each **\$3.25**

## Teacher's Guide

The Teacher's Guide includes a full-length version of the story for the teacher to tell or read. This course allows the child to enjoy the Bible and learn truths from it, without a heavy workload. Includes LightUnit answers. (Required.)

**Teacher's Guide** **\$9.00**

## *What others are saying . . .*

### **JUNEAU, WI:**

"We were very concerned about being able to teach our youngest child to read, because she had no desire to read. In fact, as she stated one day last year, 'I hate reading!' . . . We decided to try the CLE workbooks. After completing the Learning to Read series, our daughter has become a successful reader, and her attitude has improved immensely. She is happily completing all of her work in all subject areas."

### **TOLEDO, OH:**

"Two things I greatly appreciate are—  
1) Cost. I can hardly believe anything so reasonable could be more effective than the 'Bells and Whistles' courses.  
2) Religious content . . . Other courses I've heard of or reviewed with a religious affiliation teach beliefs contrary to my son's religious training. Your materials show such simple truths and would be helpful in any religious faith of leading little ones to the Lord. I like the low key, simple way it's done—it's not preachy or offensive."

### **PRETTY PRAIRIE, KS:**

"I started my son on your Learning to Read 101, and he has progressed grandly. Your systematic approach with lots of drill work and repetition has been the key to his understanding and therefore, retaining the information."