Primary Language Connections

This kit provides a multisensory learning environment that supports reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Designed to enhance an existing language arts curriculum, the kit accommodates a variety of teaching approaches—from phonics to a balance of whole language skills reinforced with phonics. To help instructors integrate technology in the classroom, the teacher materials include nine theme-based student projects that adapt easily to individual teaching styles. Take-home pages for parents help reinforce the home-school connection.

Phonics

Kid Phonics 2 (Teacher Edition) v1.0, Davidson & Associates

Presents seven animated, customizable activities with a Wild West theme designed to help students progress from sounding out words to building whole sentences. Students learn reading basics as well as advanced concepts such as prefixes, suffixes, silent letters, and more.

Phonics Alive! (School Version), Forest Technologies

Provides 20 sequential, interactive modules to present the single sounds of the alphabet. The modules incorporate sound and graphics, offer immediate feedback, and track student progress at each step.

Whole Language

Arthur's Reading Race (School Edition) v1.1, Broderbund Software

Presents an interactive version of the book by Marc Brown. Also includes a beginning reading game and an activity in which students use words and pictures from the story to create their own sentences.

Big Anthony's Mixed-Up Magic (School Edition) v1.0, The Learning Company

Presents the story, Strega Nona Meets Her Match, by Tomie de Paola. Students can read the story, listen to the author read the story, or join Big Anthony in any of nine interactive activities. Helps students develop problem-solving skills and encourages reading and storytelling.

Interactive Reading Journey 1 v2.0, The Learning Company

Provides a phonics and whole language program that helps students learn to read. Reinforces and builds letter-recognition, word-recognition, and vocabulary. Develops phonics skills and reading comprehension. Offers 40 sequenced storybooks and 100 phonics and word lessons guided by animated characters. Provides experience with word recognition, reading comprehension, and phonics.

Interactive Reading Journey 2 v1.0, The Learning Company

Provides sequenced, multilevel activities to teach skills, including phonics, initial letter blends, and word recognition. Uses original stories to promote reading comprehension, reasoning abilities, vocabulary, and more. Includes 30 sequenced storybooks.

Early Reading and Language Arts

Alphabet Express v1.1, School Zone Publishing Company

Offers eight alphabet activities that combine music, sound effects, animations, and illustrations. Provides practice with skills such as sequencing, letter recognition, letter-sound association, and problem solving.

Read, Write & Type! (School Edition) v1.0, The Learning Company

Offers several different interactive activities for practicing phonics, keyboard, and writing skills. Uses animated talking Helping Hands to introduce the keyboard and progressively more challenging activities.

ReadingMaze v1.7, Great Wave Software

Lets children practice reading skills in a game-like environment. Presents picture, letter, word, and sentence problems for children to solve. Learning level can be adjusted.

School House Rock: Grammar Rock (Teacher Edition) v1.0, Creative Wonders

Introduces students to the basics of grammar through music videos, interactive activities, and online arcade games. Helps students understand sentence structure, build vocabulary, and learn to use the parts of speech. Teachers can also use it to evaluate students' progress.

Productivity Tools

ClarisWorks for Kids v1.0, Apple Computer

Offers an all-in-one tool for young children that facilitates writing, painting, graphing, and making lists. Includes more than 75 activities and a library of clip art, sounds, and movies. Connects to the World Wide Web if browser, modem, and Internet account are available.

Kid Works 2 Bilingual v1.3, Davidson & Associates

Provides English and Spanish word processing capabilities, as well as drawing functions, optimized for young children. Includes a text-to-speech feature so they can create and play back their own stories.

Scholastic SuperPrint v2.0, Scholastic

Lets students and teachers combine text, graphics, and original art to create full-color posters, banners, big books, cards, and calendars. The interface is easy to use, even for the youngest students.

Teacher's Font Series v1.0, Forest Technologies

Provides three different collections of TrueType fonts designed for use in the classroom. Includes handwriting fonts, mathematics fonts, and fonts with built-in clip art, such as illustrations of bugs and sports objects.

Utilities

At Ease v3.0, Apple Computer

Offers an easy-to-use alternative—specially designed for children—to the standard Macintosh user interface.

Grady Profile v2.3, Aurbach & Associates

Provides an electronic portfolio assessment tool in which teachers can store students' work and assess their progress.

Storybooks

Interactive Reading Journey 1, Storybooks 1–40, The Learning Company

Interactive Reading Journey 2, Storybooks 1–30, The Learning Company

Teacher Support Materials

This kit includes a two-volume Teacher's Guide offering detailed information on installation and getting started using the software. In addition to activities from the software publishers, the guide includes nine thematic projects in Apple's Unit of Practice format. These projects are designed to be adaptable to the developmental learning styles of children in grades K–3. The projects model how to integrate technology into the primary grades' curriculum and include references to the Internet. Guides and manuals are provided for the software in the kit. *Out of the Box and Onto the 'Net,* a resource booklet, is also included.

Training

A two-day workshop is available in which participants learn about the features of Primary Language Connections and gain the kind of hands-on practice with the software applications needed for successful classroom implementation.

Ordering Information

Primary Language Connections Kit
T2093LL/B   **$300**

Kit with an iMac computer
(For institutions only)
B3897LL/B   **$1,299**

Note: Kits can be purchased only with a computer.

To purchase this product from the Apple Store for Education, visit **www.apple.com/education/store** or call **1-800-800-2775** for more information.