Grade 2

Research Skills

Text Features (Interpret with	Writing Applications
teacher guidance)	Write to inform
Graphs	Talk or draw to generate ideas
Charts	☐ Use visual tools for planning
☐ Use icons & pull-down menus	☐ Select a topic for a specific purpose
	Select from a list of topics for writing
Reading Strategies or Skills	☐ Maintain focus on topic
☐ Reread	☐ Include supporting information
☐ Sequence/retell	☐ Group related ideas, sometimes in
☐ Ask questions to clarify	paragraphs
understanding	☐ Use descriptive words
Main idea with two supporting details (with teacher)	
☐ Summarize information, events, or	Categorization and Order
ideas (with teacher)	☐ Identify text structures (simple listing
☐ Draw simple conclusions from visuals in content areas	and sequential order)
☐ Compare/contrast facts (in one	Follow 3-step oral directions for new procedures
text)	☐ Organize information with expository
☐ Compare/contrast facts (between	text and graphic organizer
texts)	☐ Organize informational writing using
Explain simple cause-effect in expository text	categories
Fact & opinion (with teacher)	☐ Alphabetical order for locating
☐ Identify common types of	information
informational text & explain why	☐ Numerical order for locating information
used	mornidation
	Doufouse a Tack
Use of Resources	Perform a Task
☐ Dictionary	☐ Identify print and non-print resources to perform a task (with teacher)
☐ Maps	☐ Use signs, labels, and instructions to
☐ Use one resource to answer a	perform a task
question (with teacher)	☐ Use important words in text to
☐ Encyclopedias	perform a task
☐ Age-appropriate magazines	
☐ Electronic Card Catalog	

Note: Keep in mind, comprehension strategies are critical to incorporate in all aspects of the research process. Students need to monitor their comprehension, ask questions, connect to the information, visualize the information, predict and confirm information, and draw inferences in their reading of research documents. Additionally, the writing process is integrated when developing the research report.