

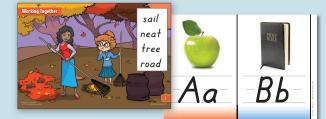


# Focus on Fives (4th Edition)

Here's an engaging, activity-based program that helps students develop the skills they'll need for first grade. Students receive basic age-appropriate introductions to science, social studies, handwriting, phonics, and reading. Fun and exciting learning activities help young students build a foundation in phonemic awareness, reading strategies, listening, and speaking.

Parts and pieces include a teacher's edition, a student worktext, 34 reading books, a phonics practice book, phonics charts, visuals, phonics and review cards, and *Write Now! Handwriting* activity sheets.





#### earning Phonics

BJU Press phonics teaches students to associate individual letters and sounds. Then, it shows them how to recognize phonics patterns through word families. This two-part approach prepares students to engage more easily with the words they will encounter.

This program also builds familiarity with high-frequency words, or service words, which do not follow normal phonics rules.



# Shaping Biblical Worldview

Worldview shaping begins early by encouraging students to apply the four key themes addressed throughout the course: (1) God is great, and God is good; (2) God created me and all things; (3) the Bible is God's Word, and it is true; and (4) I learn in order to serve God and others.



# **Objectives Drive Learning**

Each science, heritage studies, phonics, and reading lesson includes learning objectives that align with all instruction and assessments.



### **Helping Young Minds Develop**

Students stay engaged throughout the course through a variety of teaching strategies for all types of learners. Each lesson includes many opportunities for hands-on learning, discovery learning, intentional play, and visual learning.



Includes a total of 180 lessons in 7 units!



### **Student Worktext and Teacher's Edition**

The worktext provides age-appropriate assessments for science, social studies, phonics, reading, and handwriting. It includes weekly evaluation pages and additional pages at the end of each unit to track students' progress.

The teacher's edition (six-volume set) guides the teacher in engaging the students in age and developmentally appropriate activities through 180 lessons. It includes instructions for activities and discussions covering science, social studies, handwriting, and phonics as well as teaching strategies and guidance for the 34 reading books.

### **Practice Opportunities**

In addition to built-in review opportunities, the course includes 34 reading books for reading practice, a phonics practice book, and a *Write Now! Handwriting* packet.





### **Visual Learning Materials**

The program includes a variety of visual learning opportunities including phonics charts, phonics and review cards, and a visuals packet. These offer largesized and smaller-sized formats for use in classrooms and for individual use with students.

#### Sound Sense

The sound that the letter c makes in many words is the same sound that /k/ makes. It is almost like a cough. The back of your tongue pushes against the back part of the roof of your mouth. You will need some air to make the popping sound.

# **Making Sense of Sound**

Many units include a sound sense strand, written by a speech pathologist. This strand will help young students learn how to make sounds.

