

## Parents, here are some necessary, beginning -midyear, ELA skills that we will be working on here at ACA with your First Grader.

- Recognize the components of a sentence.
- Blend sounds, including consonant blends, to produce single and multisyllabic words-(End of year goal).
- Use letter-knowledge of single consonants, short and long vowels, consonant blends and digraphs, and r-controlled vowels to decode phonetically regular words such, as: cat, go, black, boat, and her, independently when seen outside of a textbook (End of year goal).
- Ask and answer questions about the main idea and key details to clarify and confirm understanding
  of a text (End of year goal).
- Use key details, identify and describe the elements of plot, character, and setting (End of year goal).
- Make and confirm predictions about what will happen next in a story.
- Retell main ideas and key details of a text (End of year goal).
- Know and understand non-fiction text features such as: table of contents, glossary, and etc.
- Write all uppercase (capital) and lowercase letters legibly, and space letters, words, and sentences appropriately.
- Use sentences that contain nouns and pronouns.
- Capitalize the first word of a sentence, dates, names of people, and the pronoun "I".
- Correctly use a period, question mark, and exclamation mark at the end of a sentence.
- Listen to others, take turns speaking about the topic, and add their own ideas in small group discussions or tasks.

