

A is for Apple

Assignment 20

Poetry

Memorize stanzas 1–2 of Henry Charles Beeching's "Going Down Hill on a Bicycle."

Reading and Phonics

Complete Lesson 20.

Handwriting

Complete pages 73–74 of the handwriting book.

Dictation

Before completing the dictation, ask what belongs to what in the following oral exercise. Then ask what word should end with an apostrophe/s.

ORAL EXERCISE 2 ON APOSTROPHES

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| 1. Mommy's tea | 6. the woman's necklace |
| 2. Billy's tennis rackets | 7. Amy's room |
| 3. the girl's dress | 8. Rick's hands |
| 4. a man's new hat | 9. Ben's computers |
| 5. David's shoes | 10. the mailman's bag |

Before giving the dictation, review the *y* (as in *bunny*), *ed* and *ow* (as in *snow*) letter combinations and remind students to capitalize the first word in the sentence and to include an end mark.

EXERCISE A

1. She cleaned.
2. It's Sam's mom.
3. The stream flowed.
4. It's Jim's cat.
5. They like Pam's bunny.

Sight Words

The sight words are posted in the appendix.

Speech Day

For Speech Day the students will be reciting a poem, which I am planning to have at **11:15 p.m. on Friday, April 25** (at the Broomall Reformed Presbyterian Church). In addition to a few other highlights, students will be reciting poems and having a spelling bee (in teams). Below is a list of students with the poem that each will be reciting.



Mary Francis Jennings	"The Arrow and the Song" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
Ethan House	"A Chill" by Christina Rossetti
Johnny Bruno	"The Lord Will Provide" by William Cowper
Noelle Haselbarth	"There is But One May" by Christina Rossetti
Lucas Maximo	"The City Mouse and the Garden Mouse" by Christina Rossetti
Sienna Dougherty	"A Morning Song" by Isaac Watts
Abigail Humbert	"The Sun Has Long Been Set" by William Wordsworth
Gus Wargo	"Swinging" by W. K. Clifford
Ben Wallacavage	"The Little Elf" by John Kendrick Bangs

Suggested Reading

Brian Wildsmith. *Joseph*. William B. Eerdmans, 1997. Illustrated. This book is a straightforward retelling of the story of Joseph as told in Genesis. Remember that my weekly book suggestions are for the benefit of parents to develop their child's interest in reading, and they are not required for the class.