



Big Ideas – Grade 2

Subject	Big Idea
Arts Education	Creative expression develops our unique identity and voice.
Arts Education	Inquiry through the arts creates opportunities for risk taking.
Arts Education	Dance, drama, music, and visual arts are each unique languages for creating and communicating.
Arts Education	People connect to the hearts and minds of others in a variety of places and times through the arts.
Applied Design, Skills and Technologies	Designs grow out of natural curiosity.
Applied Design, Skills and Technologies	Skills can be developed through play.
Applied Design, Skills and Technologies	Technologies are tools that extend human capabilities.
English Language Arts	Language and story can be a source of creativity and joy.
English Language Arts	Stories and other texts connect us to ourselves, our families, and our communities.
English Language Arts	Everyone has a unique story to share.
English Language Arts	Through listening and speaking, we connect with others and share our world.
English Language Arts	Playing with language helps us discover how language works.
English Language Arts	Curiosity and wonder lead us to new discoveries about ourselves and the world around us.
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Mathematics	Numbers to 100 represent quantities that can be decomposed into 10s and 1s.
Mathematics	Development of computational fluency in addition and subtraction with numbers to 100 requires an understanding of place value.
Mathematics	The regular change in increasing patterns can be identified and used to make generalizations.
Mathematics	Objects and shapes have attributes that can be described, measured, and compared.
Mathematics	Concrete items can be represented, compared, and interpreted pictorially in graphs.
Science	Living things have life cycles adapted to their environment.
Science	Materials can be changed through physical and chemical processes.
Science	Forces influence the motion of an object.
Science	Water is essential to all living things, and it cycles through the environment.
Social Studies	Local actions have global consequences, and global actions have local consequences.
Social Studies	Canada is made up of many diverse regions and communities.
Social Studies	Individuals have rights and responsibilities as global citizens.