

## Sixth Grade 2010-2011 Year Plan

The class takes place only in English. We use units from “Abracadabra” textbook and workbook as well as teacher selected units to learn and reinforce vocabulary, speaking/conversation skills, reading/ listening comprehension, and questioning/ answering skills. English picture books and stories are another focus for acquiring these skills. Role play and dialogue help students to be more and more comfortable speaking and expressing themselves in English. Basic English grammar is taught in conjunction with units throughout the year. Students keep a ‘word book’ in which they collect vocabulary and practice writing. “Let’s Do It” workbooks support both grammar and writing practice.

UNIT	FOCUS/MATERIALS
Back from Camp	Welcome back from Humlum and back to school. Rules and expectations for class.
The Family	‘A day in the life’ of a family. Focus on verb/noun combinations. Describing family relations, personality and physical characteristics.
Swaziland and South Africa	From “Abracadabra” and other sources.
Art 1	Colors, shapes and sizes. Prepositions of place. Making ‘mandalas’
Halloween	Masks, review of parts of face and feeling words, stories and history of Halloween. Various sources
Cooking, food, and manners	Non-count nouns, measurements, math terms, kitchen vocabulary, cooking and manners.
Heroes	“Abracadabra” and other sources. Comic books. “Spiderman” film
Winter/Christmas Fun	Seasonal stories, activities and vocabulary.
Australia	“First Choice, for sjette” (photocopies) Postcard/letter/email writing.
Valentines Day	History behind day and an art project
Rhyme, and rap	The sound of the language. English songs and poetry. Nursery rhymes and writing poetry
Your Job	Different professions and what they do. Describing parents work. Interviewing skills.
Art 2	Descriptive language. Edgar Degas. Museum visit. Reports on Artists
Hobbies, free-time and sports	Various sources
Dining Out	Planning a menu, Evaluating food and service. Dining out around the world. Creating a restaurant guide.

The above units will be taught in *approximately* the order given. Some units take longer than others, depending on school calendar and depth of exploration. Hopefully we will have time for all!