Vermont Early Learning: Approaches to Learning

Grade 2

Play and Exploration	**Children engage in play to understand the world around them.** 1 Play advanced games with rules 2 Engage in dramatic play and role play scenarios and dramatic interpretations of text, including: flannel board stories, finger plays, and reader's theater 3 Organize outdoor games and projects
Initiative	**Children show curiosity about the world around them and take action to interact with it and learn.** 1 Ask questions and conduct research about phenomena outside of own direct experiences 2 Explore self-directed interests independently or collaboratively 3 Develop a reasonable solution to a given problem
Problem Solving	**Children display an interest in novel situations and demonstrate flexibility, creativity and innovation in solving challenging tasks.** 1 Extend and elaborate ideas and conversation with peers and adults 2 Explore self-directed interests 3 Demonstrate multiple methods for solving a problem