



UIL 3rd - 8th Grade
2011-2012 Catalog & News
Now: **Products for 8 Contests!**



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Hexco Academic has entered 3 NEW CONTEST Arenas!


ORAL READING

Oral Reading Concepts 
The 'Winners Guide' for Students & Coaches

Oral Reading Concepts author, Linda Collard, has served as a UIL Coordinator for eleven years capturing nine first place titles and sweeping the oral reading finals for twenty-two years on a team that has won eighteen first place trophies at district. *Oral Reading Concepts* outlines the cutting-edge attributes that make a performance look polished and gives students the tools they need to recreate the speakers and the scene of the selection. This book also includes a suggested bibliography of winning selections with plots that paint a vivid mental picture and have brought judges to laughter or tears. This new book by Linda Collard is the key to leading your student to a mesmerizing performance and can end the illusive search for that perfect winning poetry or prose piece. Team is a set of five.


Oral Reading Concepts | #uoc | \$50
Oral Reading Concepts - Team | #uoct | \$200

TRY FREE!  **Try ETYMAFLIPS! for spelling**
FREE demo on our "Flips" page at www.hexco.com





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MAPS, GRAPHS & CHARTS

Maps, Graphs, & Charts Practice Packet
Test to Help Students Reach Higher Altitudes

 **Maps, Graphs & Charts Practice Packet** for grades 5-8 is written in the format of actual invitationals to give the student practice doing exercises that are very similar to what they will see during competition. The packet includes a variety of map, chart and graph styles to help familiarize the student with the ways this information can be presented. The questions appear in the invitational-standard *fill-in-the-blank* and *True/False* question format. Each sample test gets progressively more difficult in order to help your student reach a higher skill level by the time they complete the last test in the packet.

Maps, Graphs & Charts Practice Packet | #umpp | \$63

  See page 3 for new *Science Practice Packet!*
How to Turbo-Charge your Budget
  Read article and get latest UIL News!
Click "Hexco Blog" on our website!

READY WRITING

Ready Writing Practice Packet

Real Tests for Real Practice

Ready Writing Practice Packets give students the opportunity to mold essays through creative and structured thought based on the principles of expository writing for the UIL Ready Writing contest. Each packet includes ten tests, each with two sample topics and with a judging rubric. Written by a nationally published, independent author, Hexco's **Ready Writing Practice Packets** give UIL contestants prompts to test their skills.



Ready Writing Practice Pkt | #urwp | \$55
___ Packet 1 ___ Packet 2

Ready Writing Concepts

Develop Your Individual Writing Skills

Ready Writing challenges contestants in ways other competitions do not. While most others include predetermined topics, extensive materials, reading lists, or study guides, Ready Writing requires contestants to utilize a toolbox contained entirely in their minds. In addition, the contents of this toolbox are rather unique compared to those one would pack for a standard essay-writing scenario. **Ready Writing Concepts** explores expository writing with students, instructing them in the art and skill of constructing strong essays. Sections address thesis support, tone, voice, style, word choice, structure, and pitfalls to avoid, as well as examples of strong and weak essays, plus practice exercises.

Ready Writing Concepts | #urwcl | \$50
Ready Writing Concepts - Team | #urwclt | \$150

SPELLING & VOCABULARY

UIL Spelling Mentor

Software to Master the A+ Spelling List

UIL Spelling Mentor software helps your spellers learn ALL the words in the grade area of the UIL study list! Not designed just to test students, **Mentor** is an interactive tool to keep students engaged in mastering words in an encouraging manner as a proficient coach would. Students hear the word spoken as the screen displays phonetic pronunciation(s), part(s) of speech, definition(s), and a sentence. Progress is tracked for up to 20 students, which allows individuals to narrow their study as they master words. Software may be installed on multiple computers at one location. Features include the ability to preview words, request next letter, and flag problematic words. A one-year extended usage license for installing on up to five students' home or personal computers is also available. Download *Sampler* online!

UIL Spelling Mentor | #umen | \$65
___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

UIL Sp Ment. Ext. Usage | #umenx | \$65
___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Spelling Complement

All the Words in "A+" and More!

UIL Spelling Complements for 3rd-4th, 5th-6th, and 7th-8th grades present words in The UIL *A+ Spelling Book* for each grade level, replete with definitions, parts of speech, pronunciation, and carefully crafted sentences to help increase understanding of the words. "Team" designates a set of five of one book.

Spelling Complement | #ucom | \$40
___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Spelling Comp Team | #ucomt | \$125
___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Annual Activity Book "Onomatomania"

Crosswords & Word Searches with the A+ Spelling List!

Crossword puzzles and word searches in our annual activity books entitled, **Onomatomania** (meaning 'obsession with words') encourage students to learn all the words by having fun instead of by rote memorization. View sample online!

Annual Activity Books - Onomatomania | #uonobk | \$20
___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Spelling Rules Book

Rely Less on Memorization!

A Hexco
Best-Seller!

Spelling Rules Book is entitled "**Why Isn't 'Phonetic' Spelled the Way it Sounds?**" This is a *sine qua non* for competitive spellers that expounds on spelling rules and conventions to promote less reliance on memorization and more on understanding language. Students learn when to use *-ible* rather than *-able*, for example, and they will never look at the *i-before-e* rule in the same way again! This book explains rules for spelling words from foreign languages which are in our dictionaries. An encyclopedic list of Greek and Latin roots with definitions and words derived from each is included.

Spelling Rules Book | #uspr | \$75

EtymaMentor, EtymaNotes, & Flips

Study Word Roots and Origins

EtymaMentor software and **EtymaNotes** are available in 6 volumes: **Basic Latin, Intermediate Latin, Advanced Latin, Basic Greek, Intermediate Greek, and Advanced Greek**. This is a great choice for ardent students seeking to augment spelling skills and expand vocabulary. Each volume contains some 150 roots, 50 prefixes, and 25 suffixes. The **EtymaMentor** tracks errors and successes for up to 20 students until all etymology is mastered. **EtymaNotes** is the print version. Extended usage license allows installation on up to five students' personal or home computers. **EtymaFlips** allows students to study the same information online for one full year. Try "Flips" FREE demos or download FREE Software Samplers from our website!

EtymaMentor & Notes - All 6 Volumes | #etmn6 | \$150*

EtyMent Ext Usage Lic. - All 6 Vols | #etmx6 | \$150*

EtymaNotes (only) - All 6 | #etn6 | \$100*

EtymaFlips - All 6 Volumes | #etf6 | \$189*

(*See order form for single volume pricing.)



SCIENCE

Science Practice Packet

Practice Tests in Science I & II Formats



The new **Science Practice Packet for lower grades** by Ken Davis contains six practice tests with 35 multiple-choice questions and answer keys covering life, earth, and physical sciences. Three tests are in the Science I format; three are in the Science II format.

Science Practice Packet | #uscpl | \$63

Physical Science Concepts

Scientific Problem-Solving with In-Depth Answers!



Science Concepts has all of the content from **Science FlipCards**, PLUS examples of principles, added explanations, and sample problems. Each section has a few practice questions, similar to those on the UIL test. Written in a concise, easily digestible format, **Science Concepts** gives students a broad foundation in preparation for the UIL Science Contest.

Physical Science Concepts | #uscpt | \$65

Physical Sci Concepts - Team | #uscptt | \$200

Physical Science Flip Cards

Physical Science For On-the-Go Students!

Physical Science FlipCards are a handy reference of encapsulated information for **all Physical Sciences, including Earth Science, Ecology, and Life Science**. This take-it-with-you format is appropriate and engaging for contests and classroom usage. **Team FlipCards** contain five sets.

Physical Science FlipCards | #usccdp | \$55

Physical Science FlipCards-Team | #usccdpt | \$175

DICTIONARY SKILLS

Dictionary Skills Practice Packet

Tests based on *Webster's Dictionary*

Dictionary Skills Practice Packets contain five practice tests to prepare students for the Dictionary Skills contest. These tests are based on **Webster's Intermediate** and **Webster's Collegiate Dictionaries**. We have recently updated the **Collegiate** version to include answer keys for both the 10th and 11th Collegiate editions of Webster's Dictionary.

Dictionary Skills Practice Packet | #udsp | \$55

___ Intermediate Volume 1 ___ Intermediate Volume 2

___ Collegiate Dictionary

SOCIAL STUDIES

Social Studies Notes

Summary of UIL's Annual Topic for Lower Grades



Social Studies Notes summarizes the study material selected by UIL for the current year. Outlining and encapsulating the information and concepts related to this year's special focus, our

third edition of **SS Notes** includes synopses of events and politics of the era, plus a comprehensive timeline that spans the period. Each set has an extensive list of people, places, and events. Team version consists of a set of five of the same book.

Social Studies Notes | #ussn | \$65

___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Social Studies Notes Team | #ussnt | \$200

___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

Social Studies Practice Packet

Collections of Tests on the Annual Study Guide

Each **Social Studies Practice Packet** contains six practice tests with 45 multiple-choice questions with answer keys. Some questions include diagram boxes and outlines like those on the UIL tests. Two packets are available, one for 5th-6th and one for 7th-8th grades.

Social Studies Practice Packet | #uspp | \$63

___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

NUMBER SENSE

Mental Math Mentor & Notes

Skills for the Number Sense Contest

Mental Math Mentor software in a self-paced tutorial format is a collection of exercises, examples, short-cuts, and skills specifically for use in the Number Sense contest. Some 70 skills are presented clearly and logically with problems generated for each to test your students' understanding. **Mentor** installs on multiple computers at one location. A one-year extended usage license is available for installing on up to five students' PCs. **Notes** indicates printed version.

Mental Math Mentor & Notes | #unsmn | \$130

Mental Math Mentor | #unsm | \$90

Mental Math Ext Usage Lic. | #unsmex | \$90

Mental Math Notes | #unsbk | \$60

Mental Math Notes - Team | #unsbkt | \$200

Meet the Hexco Science Guy on

Our science videos are underway and we periodically post a sneak preview!



Search **hexcoinc** on

www.youtube.com to view. please give us your feedback and ideas, we listen! Email: hexco@hexco.com.



You can now place your UIL order with a purchase order online! Set up your online shopping account early to allow time for tax-free approval/verification.



SPELLING & VOCAB

Spelling Complement | #ucom | \$40
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Spelling Complement Team | #ucomt | \$125
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UIL Spelling Mentor | #umen | \$65
 ___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

UIL Sp Mentor Ext Usage Lic. | #umenx | \$65
 ___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th

___ Spelling Rules Book | #uspr | \$75

___ EtymaMentor & Notes - All 6 Volumes | #etmn6 | \$150

EtymaMentor & Notes - Single Volume | #etmn1 | \$30

___ Beg Latin ___ Int Latin ___ Adv Latin
 ___ Beg Greek ___ Int Greek ___ Adv Greek

___ EtyMent Ext Usage Lic. - All 6 Volumes | #etmx6 | \$150

EtyMent Ext Usage Lic. - Single Volume | #etmx1 | \$30

___ Beg Latin ___ Int Latin ___ Adv Latin
 ___ Beg Greek ___ Int Greek ___ Adv Greek

___ EtymaNotes (only) - All 6 Volumes | #etn6 | \$100

EtymaNotes - Single Volume | #etn1 | \$20

___ Beg Latin ___ Int Latin ___ Adv Latin
 ___ Beg Greek ___ Int Greek ___ Adv Greek

___ EtymaFlips - All 6 Volumes | #etf6 | \$189

EtymaFlips - Single Volume | #etf1 | \$35

___ Beg Latin ___ Int Latin ___ Adv Latin
 ___ Beg Greek ___ Int Greek ___ Adv Greek

Subtotal

Annual Activity Books - Onomatomania | #uonobk | \$20 ea.

___ 3rd-4th ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th \$_____



READY WRITING

___ Ready Writing Concepts | #urwcl | \$50
 ___ Ready Writing Concepts - Team | #urwclt | \$150 **Subtotal**

Ready Writing Practice Pkt. | #urwp | \$55 ea.
 ___ Packet 1 ___ Packet 2 \$_____

SOCIAL STUDIES

___ Social Studies Notes - 5th-6th | #ussn56 | \$65
 ___ Social Studies Notes - 7th-8th | #ussn78 | \$65

___ SS Notes Team - 5th-6th | #ussn56t | \$200
 ___ SS Notes Team - 7th-8th | #ussn78t | \$200

Subtotal

Social Studies Practice Packet | #ussp | \$63 ea.
 ___ 5th-6th ___ 7th-8th \$_____

DICTIONARY SKILLS

Dictionary Skills Practice Packet | #udsp | \$55 **Subtotal**

___ Intermediate Volume 1
 ___ Intermediate Volume 2
 ___ Collegiate Dictionary \$_____

MAPS, GRAPHS, & CHARTS

___ *NEW!* Maps, Graphs & Charts Practice Pkt | #umpp | \$63 **Subtotal**

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ORAL READING

___ *NEW!* Oral Reading Concepts | #uoc | \$50 **Subtotal**

___ *NEW!* Oral Reading Concepts Team | #uoc | \$200 \$_____

NUMBER SENSE

___ Mental Math Mentor & Notes | #unsmn | \$130
 ___ Mental Math Mentor (only) | #unsm | \$90 **Subtotal**

___ Mental Math Ext Usage Lic. | #unsmex | \$90
 ___ Mental Math Notes (only) | #unsbk | \$60
 ___ Mental Math Notes - Team | #unsbkt | \$200 \$_____

SCIENCE

___ *NEW!* Science Practice Packet | #uscpl | \$63

___ Physical Science FlipCards | #uscclp | \$55
 ___ Physical Science FlipCards - Team | #uscclpt | \$175 **Subtotal**

___ Physical Science Concepts | #uscclp | \$65
 ___ Physical Science Concepts - Team | #uscclpt | \$200 \$_____

ORDER TOTAL - 3rd - 8th Grade

Total Number of Items Ordered _____

\$_____ Subtotal

\$_____ 1st Item Shipping (\$8.75 or \$6.00 if check w/ order)

\$_____ Add'l Shipping → Add \$1 per additional item - Note: a "team" set is five items/\$5.00 per set

\$_____ Tax (add 6.75% if in Texas or not exempt*)

\$_____ ORDER TOTAL

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Order is based on flat-fee shipping rate; web orders calculate weight-based shipping.

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