

Albert's Bigger Than Big Idea

Grade K

4 skill lessons · 2 math-through-reading

Skill lessons

4 lessons on the mathematics the book carries. Printable workbook pages and teacher keys are not available for this book yet.

1. Small, Smaller, Smallest

Concept · Ordering three objects by size and naming the smallest

2. Will It Fit?

Application · Matching an object to a container by size

3. Bigger Than the Last One

Reasoning · Placing a new object into an order already built

4. Two Ways to Say One Pair

Representation · Saying a size comparison in both directions

Math through the reading

The mathematics is reached through a sentence the book prints: change one word in the reading and the numbers change with it. These carry their own standards, matched against these lessons rather than inherited from the skill ones.

5. The Word That Picks the Bag

Integrated · Children hear one sentence twice, once with smallest and once with smaller, and put the blueberry in the bag each version sends it to, then say which word sent it where.

6. Tell Albert Which Bag to Make

Integrated · Children rank the bags and the fruit, take a side on whether Albert should make the biggest bag, and say out loud to Albert which bag and which fruit their side rests on.

Reading and language lessons

5 lessons on the reading and language the book carries - what a word means in its sentence, how a character is shown, how a text is built. No mathematics: these are matched against the English language arts curricula, which are a different and smaller set than the mathematics ones.

7. One word, three endings

Language · Hearing the word endings -er and -est on a describing word

8. The line that keeps coming back

Reading · Noticing a line the book says again and again

9. Who is talking here?

Comprehension · Working out who said a line when the page does not say clearly

10. What Albert keeps going back for

Literature · Telling what a character wants from what he does

11. First, then, last

Comprehension · Retelling what happened in the order it happened