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## Purpose and Scope

CALENDAR is designed to help children in first, second, and third grade develop calendar reading as a reference skill. Four activities are included in the program. A child may work on learning the days of the week or months of the year. More advanced activities focus on the current week and month. Children receive practice in identifying the day of the week, the date, the day, and the date of days past and days to come, the month, previous month, coming month, season, and various holidays.

## Program Description

The first activity is DAYS OF THE WEEK. The child is presented with a one week calendar and is asked ten questions. Questions cover how many days are in a week, the first day of the week, the last day of the week, the date on a given day, and problems such as "Which day is two days before Thursday?". Sound is used to help indicate whether a response is right or wrong. Also, smiling faces are earned for correct answers. A summary is provided after ten questions.

The second activity is MONTHS OF THE YEAR. A set of ten questions is presented which quizzes a child on how many months are in a year, which month comes before or after a specified month, and what major holidays fall in given months. Smiling faces reward correct answers, and a summary is provided after each set of ten questions.

Activity 3 is THIS WEEK. The child is presented with a calendar of the current week based on the date entered when loading the program. Possible questions asked in this section are:

What day of the week is it?
What is today's date?
What will the date be on Saturday?
What day was yesterday?
What day will tomorrow be?
What will the date be tomorrow?
How many birthdays are shown this week?
As in the other activities, the child selects the current multiple choice response by pressing $17,2,3$, or 4 . A summary is provided after each set of ten questions.

An additional feature in activity 3 is the large window in the lower right hand corner. This window is provided to display a Happy Birthday message to children in your class. Holidays will also be displayed in the window. To select a day to be displayed, press the SPACE BAR. If no birthday or holiday is shown for a specific day on the calendar, only the date will be displayed in the window. See BIRTHDAY FILE for further information.

Activity 4 is THIS MONTH. A calendar of the current month is presented. Children refer to the calendar as they are quizzed on such things as the date, the number of Saturdays in the month, the date of the second Wednesday in the month, which holiday falls in the month, and how many days are in the current month. Children may also be asked what the last month was, what the

