

Appendix 1: Scope and Sequence: Schedule for Topics and Skills

Week	Mechanics Practice	Creative Expression
1	nouns: common/proper; gender of nouns	Personification (Figurative Language) Imaginative Writing (Short Story/Narration)
2	nouns: concrete/abstract, compound, collective.	Five Parts of the Friendly Letter (Structure) Write the Friendly Letter (Organization/Communication)
3	action verbs, linking verbs, helping verbs; singular/plural	Outline an Experience (Organization/Writing Process) Spin Your Tale (Narration)
4	pronouns—personal, subject; gender of pronouns; antecedent	The Narrative Poem (Poetry/Narration)
5	Person of pronouns: first, second, third	Adjectives (Writing Description) Character Description (Lists) Descriptive Paragraph (Writing)
6	types of pronouns: interrogative, demonstrative	Rules and Commands (Imperative Sentences) A Bill of Rights (Authoritative Statements)
7	dialects; intensive, reflexive and indefinite pronouns	The Journal (Personal Response)
8	apostrophes	The Hook (Structure) Write the News Article (Objective Writing)
9	types of adjectives: demonstrative, indefinite	The Topic Sentence (Structure) Write & Revise a Formal Business Letter (Organization/Writing Process)
10	types of adverbs: of time, of place, of manner, of degree	Metaphors (Figurative Language) Definition Poem/Limerick (Poetry)
11	adjective forms; superlative, positive and comparative	Transitions (Structure) Follow & Write Directions (Expository Writing/Comprehension)
12	commas	Hyperbole (Figurative Language) A Tall Tale (Use of Exaggeration/Writing Process)
13	complete sentences; simple, complex, compound subject and predicate	The Interview (Oral Prompts) The Biography Project (Expository Writing)
14	linking verbs; predicate nouns; predicate adjectives	The Venn Diagram (Compare/Contrast) Compare/Contrast Essay (Expository Writing)
15	verb tenses: simple (review); perfect tenses—present, past, and future perfect	Brainstorm an Invention/The Inventor’s Log (Imagination) Fairy Tales (Imagination)
16	verb forms: transitive verbs & direct objects, intransitive	Mind/Concept Mapping (Critical Thinking) Create Invention and Write/Explain and Describe (Scientific and Expository Writing)
17	spelling rules	Advertising Techniques (Critical Thinking) The Advertisement (Persuasive Writing)

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18	voice–active and passive	Supporting Details (Structure) The Book Review (Summarize/Personal Response)
19	how to write titles	The Thesis Statement (Brainstorm) Research (Process) Source Cards (Organization)
20	subject-verb agreement	Notes Cards (Research Process) Works Cited (Research Process)
21	Agreement: noun/pronoun agreement	Research Paper Outline (Research Process) Refine Thesis/Body Paragraphs/The Introduction and the Conclusion (Organization/Writing Process)
22	clauses & conjunctions: independent clause, coordinating conjunction; correlative conjunctions	Revision/Final Draft and Works Cited (Research Process) Decorate It (Artistic)
23	dependent clauses & subordinating conjunctions; relative pronouns	A Travel Brochure (Persuasive Writing/Artistic) Writing from Art (Imagination)
24	quotation marks: placement of punctuation; Write Numbers	Combine Sentences, Part 1 (Sentence Fluency) Family Traditions Essay (Expository Writing)
25	phrases: noun phrases, verb phrase; appositives	Combine Sentences, Part 2 (Sentence Fluency) Science Fiction Dialogue (Imaginative Writing)
26	prepositional phrases	Cause and Effect Rhyme & Paragraph (Critical Thinking and Organization)
27	synonyms	Identifying & Using Symbols (Figurative Language) A Concrete Poem (Poetry)
28	homographs; homonyms	Brainstorm, Write, & Revise The Short Story (Imagination)
29	similes; definite and indefinite articles	Retell (Recollection) Writing Prompt (Personal Response)
30	dashes	Imaginary Pet (Imagination) Writing with Art (Imagination)
31	parentheses	Fact and Opinion (Critical Thinking) What is a Hero/Hero Essay (Descriptive Writing)
32	ellipses	The Book Review (Critical Thinking/Pre-writing) Add Details (Description/Writing Process)
33	hyphens, review dashes	Speech Preparation, Visual Aid (Process) Give a Speech (Public Speaking)
34	plurals	Persuasive Techniques (Components of Persuasion) Persuasive Writing (Critical Thinking and Application)
35	capitalization	Pre-write for a Puppet Show (Writing Process) Write a Script for a Puppet Show (Imaginative Narrative)
36	colons; semicolons	Design an invitation (Artistic) Preparing the Puppets and Stage (Artistic) Performing the Puppet Show (Public Speaking)

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