

Scope and Sequence: Schedule for Topics and Skills

Week	Mechanics Practice	Creative Expression
1	nouns: gender, concrete/abstract, compound, collective; personification	The Purpose of Writing (Self-Interview/Sketchbook) Observation Essay (Descriptive)
2	hyphens; dashes	The Definition Essay (Expository Writing) Revise (Writing Process)
3	adjectives: articles, proper and common, compound	Tone (Literary Techniques) Create Tone (Word Choice) Tone in a Scary Story (Application/Creative Writing)
4	verbs: action verbs, helping verbs, singular and plural verbs	Character Sketch Warm-up (Writing Process) Character Sketch First Draft (Descriptive) Revise (Writing Process)
5	types of adverbs	Character Development (Character Analysis) Develop a Character (Creative Expression) Write from the Character’s Perspective (Imaginative)
6	pronouns: and antecedents, personal pronouns, possessive pronouns, subject pronouns	Active and Passive Sentences (Sentence Fluency) Plan Out the Friendly Letter (Writing Process) Write the Friendly Letter (Organization)
7	commas	Explore a News Article (Comprehension) The Straight News Article (Imaginative) Write the Straight News Article (Expository)
8	person of pronouns: first-, second-, third-	Combine Sentences (Sentence Fluency) Outline for a Feature Article (Research & Outline) Write a Feature Article (Expository)
9	pronouns: intensive, reflexive, indefinite	Fact or Opinion (Analysis) Prepare for the Letter to the Editor (Persuasive) Write the Letter to the Editor (Organization)
10	colons; semicolons	The Purpose of Dialogue (Analysis) Dialogue Organization (Organization) Write Your Own Dialogue (Imaginative)
11	types of pronouns: relative, interrogative, demonstrative	Elements of a Great Story (Analysis) Research Your Animal and Take Notes (Research) Plan Out the Animal Adventure (Imaginative)
12	complete sentences: subjects & predicates—simple, compound, complete	Literary Elements—Personification and Sensory Impressions (Literary Techniques) Write the Animal Adventure (Imaginative) Finish the Animal Adventure Book (Organization/Artistic)
13	writing numbers	Transitions (Sentence Fluency) Prepare to Write the Expository Essay (Expository) Write the Expository Essay (Expository)
14	clauses: conjunctions, independent clauses, coordinating conjunctions, correlative conjunctions	Combine Sentences with a Key Word (Sentence Fluency) Prepare for the Personal Narrative (Writing Process) Write the Personal Narrative (Narrative)
15	types of adjectives: demonstrative, indefinite; demonstrative pronouns vs. demonstrative adjectives	Mind Mapping (Writing Process) Write the Bible verse Response (Personal Response) Revise the Bible Verse Response (Writing Process)
16	phrases: noun phrases, adverb phrases, verb phrases, appositive phrases	Cause and Effect (Analysis) Comic Strip (Creative & Imaginative)

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17	dependent clauses; subordinating conjunctions; relative pronouns; complex sentences	Cause and Effect in Science (Writing Process) Write the Cause and Effect Essay (Critical Thinking) Revise the Cause and Effect Essay (Writing Process)
18	verb forms: transitive verbs—direct objects, indirect objects; intransitive verbs	The Summary (Summarization) The Book Review (Opinion) Revise the Book Review (Writing Process)
19	quotation marks	Start with a Thesis Statement (Summarization) Begin Your Research (Research) Source Cards (Research)
20	sentence structure	Note Cards—Quotations (Research) Note Cards—Paraphrase (Research) More Note Cards & Works Cited (Research)
21	plurals	The Research Paper Outline (Organization) Refine Thesis and Begin Body Paragraphs (Expository) Complete the Body Paragraphs (Expository)
22	linking verbs: predicate adjectives, predicate nouns; how to write titles	The Introduction and the Conclusion (Expository) Revision (Writing Process) The Final Draft (Writing Process)
23	verb tenses: simple, perfect	Persuasive Writing (Analysis) Write a Persuasive Paragraph (Persuasion) Make It Better (Writing Process)
24	ellipses; parentheses	Organize for a Speech (Oral Presentation) Speech Preparation (Oral Presentation) Speech Delivery (Oral Presentation)
25	prepositional phrases: prepositions, object of the preposition	Foreshadowing (Literary Techniques/Critical Thinking) Reflect on Your Predictions (Reflection)
26	noun/pronoun agreement	Irony (Literary Techniques) Choose a Poem to Parody (Literary Techniques/Writing Process) Write a Parody (Imaginative)
27	adjective and adverb forms: positive, comparative, superlative	Personification in Poetry (Literary Techniques) Draft a Personification Poem (Imaginative/Application) Finalize the Personification Poem (Writing Process)
28	use the right word; apostrophes	Storytelling (Research for an Oral Presentation) Study the Story (Oral Presentation) Present the Story (Oral Presentation)
29	improve your spelling	A Story with a Twist (Brainstorm) Write the Short Story (Imaginative) Revise the Short Story (Writing Process)
30	capitalization	Modeling Sentences (Sentence Fluency) Combine Sentences to Create Paragraphs (Sentence Fluency) Improve Fluency (Writing Process)
31	improving sentences	Information for the Travel Brochure (Research) Write the Tourist Attraction Advertisement (Expository/Persuasion) Revise the Travel Brochure (Writing Process)
32	active and passive voice	Research a Travel Proposal (Research) Prepare for the Proposal Summary (Summarization) Write the Proposal Summary (Summarization)

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33	subject/verb agreement	Symbolism (Literary Elements/Analysis) Draft the Pre-Reader Picture Story (Imaginative) Finalize the Pre-Reader Picture Story (Writing Process)
34	similes and metaphors	Theme (Literary Elements/Analysis) Write About Theme (Synthesis) Compare Similar Themes (Comparison)
35	types of sentences: declarative, imperative, interrogative, exclamatory	Brainstorm for the Movie Poster (Imaginative) Draft the Movie Plot (Imaginative) Compose the Movie Trailer Script (Summarization/Persuasion)
36	abbreviations, acronyms, intialism	Extended Scene (Imaginative) Plan the Sequel (Imaginative) Write a Sequel (Writing Process)