

Appendix 1: Scope and Sequence Schedule for Topics and Skills

Week	Dictation Application (Mechanics)	Activity Sheet/Creative Expression
1	basic rules of sentences, nouns; adjectives (articles)	Using the Five Senses/Adjectives Descriptive Paragraph
2	adverbs; modify verbs	Verbs & Adverbs Exciting story about topic described in Week 1
3	adverbs; modify adjectives and other adverbs	Similes Convert writing from Week 1 & 2 into a story, add similes
4	word choice (use specific nouns), synonyms	Using the Five Senses Story-Starter picture-short story
5	adverbs of time and place	Poetry; Rhyming Patterns; Quatrains Write a limerick; Write a free verse poem
6	helping verbs; verb tense	Outline, mind map Recollection paragraphs
7	implied subject—understood you	Outlines Write an explanatory paragraph
8	writing numbers	Analyze character—Pocahontas; Literary Hooks Write a character sketch
9	verb usage: singular has an -s, plurals do not	Imagery; Use simile, Story-Starter Picture short story
10	pronouns & antecedent	Narration; Summarization; Public Speaking Point-of-view journal writing
11	comma review: series, numbers, city/state, etc.	Writing on a Theme Turn outline into rough draft; Final draft
12	hyphenate line breaks, syllables	Research; Informative Writing, Note Cards Brainstorm; Select topic; Library visit
13	subject/object/personal & possessive pronouns	Internet research; Outlines Make note cards for report; Organize note cards into an outline
14	combine short sentences; similes and metaphors	Bibliography; Report Writing; Hook Writing; Turn outline into rough draft; Read rough draft out loud; Final draft
15	combine short sentences	Active & Passive Voice; Teaching Methods Brainstorm; character sketch
16	interpret proverbs; subjects & predicates (complete, compound, simple)	Research; Biography Writing Write rough draft; Write biography
17	comparative adjectives, superlative adjectives	Descriptive Writing; Describe a room with 5 senses; Speech Drafting; Public Speaking Gen. G. Washington Than You speech to Phoebe;
18	quotations with attribution	Dialog; Research Write mini-report rough draft; Write mini-report final draft
19	palindrome	Research person; write biography

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20	plural nouns: <i>-s, -es, -ies</i>	Brainstorm; Write independently Story-Starter Picture-short story
21	linking verbs; predicate nouns; predicate adjectives	Summarization Define “faith”; Write commercial
22	contractions	Active Voice; Passive Voice; Persuasive Writing Write a persuasive paragraph
23	prepositions, objects of the preposition, prepositional phrases	Imaginative Writing; Short story Write a short journal entry; Write a descriptive paragraph
24	abbreviations—states/addresses; titles	Homophones Write a “thank you note”
25	subject; predicate; vary sentence lengths	Research; Explanatory Writing Write preamble to family bylaws; write explanation of how Constitution was created
26	irregular verbs	Voice—Eliminating “be” Verbs; Write down words of wisdom; Retell a story orally
27	compound words; compound adjectives	Free Verse Poetry; Limericks; Cinquain Compose 3 poems
28	capitalization	convey emotion Write a “pros and cons” list; Write a compare/contrast paper
29	possessives (<i>'s, s'</i>); singular and plural nouns	News article; Draft a newspaper human interest article; Write a newspaper editorial
30	roots, prefixes and suffixes	Personification; Maxims Write a paragraph explaining a maxim
31	run-on sentences	Reflective writing; Imaginative Writing; Brainstorming Story-Starter—write the back cover copy for a book cover
32	abbreviations	Picturesque Details Write a paper on why Robert Fulton had a heart of a learner
33	acronyms/initialisms	Dialog; Character Traits; Write dialog; Write a 5 paragraph essay
34	commas: after introductory words, with noun of direct address	Persuasive Writing; Critical Writing Write a book review
35	simple sentences, compound sentences, coordinating conjunctions; adjectives	Brainstorming; Imaginative Writing Write about a prompted imaginary situation
36	season description	Similarities/Differences Chart; Write a compare/contrast essay

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