

Language Arts 3—Scope and Sequence: Schedule for Topics and Skills

Week	Spelling/Phonics	Copywork Application	Creative Expression
1	Consonants; , alphabetize spelling words	Prepositions (Mechanics)	Diamond Notes Unit 1: Lesson 1 (Writing Process) Diamond Notes Unit 1: Lesson 2 (Writing Process)
2	Hard/soft <i>c</i> , hard/soft <i>g</i> ; sort words according to consonant sounds	Adjectives; Homophones (Mechanics)	Diamond Notes Unit 2: Lesson 1 (Writing Process) Diamond Notes Unit 2: Lesson 2 (Writing Process)
3	Hard/soft <i>c</i> or <i>g</i> followed by vowels <i>a</i> , <i>o</i> , or <i>u</i> ; sort words according to consonant sounds	Quotations; Sentence forms (Mechanics/Voice)	Diamond Notes Unit 3: Lesson 1 (Writing Process) Diamond Notes Unit 3: Lesson 2 (Writing Process)
4	Short <i>a</i> , <i>i</i> , <i>u</i> ; sort words according to vowel sound	Possession (Mechanics)	Diamond Notes Unit 4: Lesson 1 (Writing Process) Diamond Notes Unit 4: Lesson 2 (Writing Process)
5	Short vowels; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	Pronouns; Abbreviations (Mechanics)	Diamond Notes Unit 5: Lesson 1 (Writing Process) Seventh Inning Stretch (Writing Process)
6	Long <i>a</i> and long <i>i</i> ; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	A/An (Mechanics)	Who's Who? (Description) The Paint Brush Character (Description)
7	Long <i>o</i> and long <i>u</i> ; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	Coordinating Conjunctions (Mechanics)	Developing Detail (Description) Detailed Descriptions (Description)
8	Short and long vowel sounds; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	Capital letters, plurals, and <i>-ing</i> endings	History (Imagination) Imagine Yourself in History (Imagination)
9	Compound words; form compound words out of their parts	Linking Verbs (Mechanics)	Shape Poem (Poetry) Acrostic Poem (Poetry)
10	Consonant blends; alphabetize spelling words	Vivid vocabulary (Word Choice)	Prepare to Write a Journal Entry (Brainstorm) Journal Time (Brainstorm)
11	Consonant blends; words ending in <i>y</i> ; sort words according to ending sound	Helping (auxiliary) verbs (Mechanics)	Pick a Title (Imagination) Write From the Title Prompt (Imagination)
12	Consonant digraphs; words beginning with <i>y</i> ; alphabetize spelling words	Verb tense (Mechanics)	Discuss Directions (Expository) Write Directions (Expository)
13	Review (consonant digraphs); alphabetize spelling words	Simple sentences (Mechanics)	Dialog (Voice) Another Conversation (Voice)
14	<i>R</i> -controlled vowels; sort words according to vowel sound	Antecedents (Mechanics)	Homophones (Comprehension) Write Right (Comprehension)

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15	Review R-controlled vowels; sort words according to vowel sound	Compound sentences (Mechanics)	Point of View Fairy Tale (Imagination/Analysis) Write the Point of View Fairy Tale (Imagination/Analysis)
16	Contractions; combine words to form contractions	Time Order Words (Mechanics)	Story-Starter Picture (Imagination) A New Tale (Imagination)
17	Plurals; sort words according to plural ending	Apostrophes—contractions & ownership (Mechanics)	The Persuasive Letter (Analysis) Write the Persuasive Letter (Analysis)
18	Add suffixes; combine base words with suffixes	Commas (Mechanics)	The Life of a Coin (Imagination) Write about a Coin (Imagination)
19	Add suffixes; combine base words with suffixes	Abbreviations and Titles (Mechanics)	Describe your Favorite Place (Description) Write about your Favorite Place (Description)
20	Add suffixes; combine base words with suffixes	Antonyms (Mechanics)	Quartrain (Poetry) Limerick (Poetry)
21	Review suffixes; combine base words with suffixes	Synonyms (Mechanics)	How Stories Change (Analysis) Retell a Story (Narrative)
22	Review suffixes; combine base words with suffixes	Capital Letters (Mechanics)	Award-Winning Characters (Description) Introduce the Best Character (Description)
23	Vowel digraphs; write a rhyme with similar spelling for each word	Rambling Sentences (Mechanics)	Interview My Favorite Adult (Research) Write the Favorite Adult Paragraph (Research)
24	Vowel digraphs; alphabetize spelling words	Its/it's (Mechanics)	A Character's Decision (Analysis) Give a Character Advice (Persuasive)
25	Diphthongs; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	Quotations (Mechanics)	When I Grow Up... (Imagination) 30-Year-Old Journal Entry (Imagination/Description)
26	Review vowel digraphs and diphthongs; write a rhyming word for each word in the list	I and me; we and us (Mechanics)	Fun, Unplugged (Analysis) Powerless Play (Analysis)
27	Prefixes and suffixes; write a word with the same affix as each word in the list	Varying sentence length (Mechanics)	Story-Starter Picture (Imagination) Write the Short Story (Imagination)
28	Base words; write a word with the same base as each word in the list	Exclamations, Questions & Ellipses (Mechanics)	If I Were an Explorer... (Imagination) Be an Explorer (Imagination)
29	Review prefixes, suffixes, and base words; write a word with the same base as each word in the list	Subjects; Verbs; Sentence Fragments (Mechanics)	Animal Migration Web (Imagination) Imaginative Animal Migration (Imagination)

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30	Write each word using blue for consonants and red for vowels	Capitalization (Mechanics)	Two Possible Stories (Imagination) Choose the Best Version (Imagination)
31	Write each word using blue for consonants and red for vowels	Similes (Figurative Language)	A Notorious Trait Due to an Imaginative Cause (Imagination/Analysis) Write About a Notorious Trait (Imagination/Analysis)
32	Write the words in three lists according to the number of syllables	Adverbs (Mechanics)	Plan a Flyer Advertisement (Brainstorm) Create the Flyer (Artistic)
33	Synonyms; write the words in three lists according to the number of syllables	You're/your; comparatives/superlatives (Mechanics)	Research for a Biography (Research) Write a Biography (Description)
34	Homophones; use each word in a sentence	Dialogue; direct Address (Mechanics)	Compare and Contrast Characters (Analysis) A Tale of Two Characters (Analysis)
35	Write the words in three lists according to the number of syllables	Spelling Rules (Mechanics)	Answer the Questions (Brainstorm) Write the Question Poem (Poetry)
36	Review; alphabetize spelling words	Writing Titles (Mechanics)	The Absolute Favorite Book (Summary) The Absolute Favorite Book Report (Summary)