

ELA 1st Nine Weeks Study Guide

Answer the questions on this paper.

1. Find two sentences from *Steal Away Home* that use commas and conjunctions correctly. Write them below. (ELAGSE5L1a)

Sentence 1: "Ma locked her arms across her chest, and James knew she was deep in prayer."

Sentence 2: "James waved until he could no longer see the wagon, and when he went back to the house it seemed like an empty cave without Ma and Pa and Rebecca."

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| 1. for | 5. or |
| 2. and | 6. yet |
| 3. nor | 7. so |
| 4. but | |

2. What is a preposition? List at least ten, and write two sentences that use prepositions correctly.

A preposition is a word that tells the relationship of a noun or pronoun to another word in the sentence.

Examples:

<u>about</u>	<u>at</u>	<u>during</u>	<u>in</u>	<u>on</u>
<u>across</u>	<u>between</u>	<u>for</u>	<u>of</u>	<u>over</u>
<u>after</u>	<u>by</u>	<u>from</u>	<u>off</u>	<u>throughout</u>

Sentence 1: They traveled across a land bridge.

Sentence 2: Over the years they learned farming skills.

3. What is an interjection? List at least five, and write two sentences that use interjections correctly.

An interjection is a word or phrase that shows strong feeling.

Examples:

<u>Ouch!</u>	<u>Hey!</u>
<u>Oh, no</u>	<u>Aw, man</u>
<u>Hurray!</u>	

Sentence 1: Hurray! We won the game!

Sentence 2: Oops, I think I forgot my homework.

4. What is a correlative conjunction? Name the pairs we have discussed, and write two sentences that use correlative conjunctions correctly. (ELAGSE5L1e)

Correlative conjunctions are pairs of conjunctions that link words, phrases, or clauses.

The pairs that we have discussed are:

not only, but also
whether, or

both, and
neither, nor
either, or

5.

Sentence 1: We can either go shopping or go to the movies.

Sentence 2: Not only do I play basketball, but I also won the championship.

6. What are the simple verb tenses? Explain each one, and write one sentence as an example for each. (ELAGSE5L1c)

Verb Tense	Definition/Explanation	Example
Past	A verb in the past tense shows that an action happened at a definite time in the past.	One dolphin <u>weighed</u> five hundred pounds.
Present	A verb in the present tense shows that an action is happening now or that it happens over and over.	A dolphin <u>sleeps</u> about eight hours each day.
Future	A verb in the future tense shows that the action will happen at a time yet to come.	Tomorrow my teacher <u>will talk</u> about dolphins.

7. What is figurative language? Explain and give an example of each. (ELAGSE5L5a)

Figurative Language	Definition/Explanation	Example
Simile	Compares two things using <i>like</i> or <i>as</i>	My sister is as sweet as sugar.
Metaphor	Compares two things without using <i>like</i> or <i>as</i>	My brother is a teddy bear.
Hyperbole	An extreme exaggeration	My bookbag weighs a ton.
Personification	When an object is given human characteristics	The trees danced in the breeze.
Onomatopoeia	The formation of a word from a sound associated with what is named	snap, crackle, pop
Alliteration	Repetition of beginning consonant sounds	Silly Sally sang a sad song.

