

Middle School Grammar Overview

This chart reflects the grammar to cover at each grade level. All chapters/lessons are in the grade level *Grammar for Writing* textbooks. The lessons should be covered in chronological order as they are listed.*

	Quarter One Parts of Speech and Sentence Basics	Quarter Two Parts of Speech and Sentence Construction	Quarter Three Higher Level Grammar	Quarter Four Review
Grade 6	<p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.1 Common Nouns Proper Nouns</p> <p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.1 Action Verbs State of Being/Helping Verbs</p> <p>Chapter 6 Lesson 6.1 Complete subjects/predicates Lesson 6.2 Simple subjects/predicates Lesson 6.3 Hard to find subjects</p> <p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.1 Adjectives (used in sensory writing)</p> <p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.2 Pronouns</p>	<p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.6 Possessives Apostrophes</p> <p>Chapter 2 Lesson 2.1 Fragments Lesson 2.2 Run-ons</p> <p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.4 Prepositions</p> <p>Chapter 3 Lesson 3.5 Combining Sentences</p> <p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.5 Conjunctions Interjections</p> <p>Chapter 10 Lesson 10.1 Subject/verb agreement</p>	<p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.1 End marks Abbreviations Lesson 11.2 Commas Lesson 11.3 Commas Quotation marks Lesson 11.5 Quotation marks Lesson 11.4 Semicolons</p>	<p>The fourth quarter can be used as review of grammar topics from earlier quarters with a focus on those topics with which students are struggling.</p>
Grade 7	<p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.1 Nouns Lesson 7.2 Plural and possessive nouns Lesson 7.5 Pronoun agreement Lesson 7.6 Clear pronoun reference</p> <p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.7 Apostrophes</p>	<p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.1 Adjectives and adverbs Lesson 9.3 Adjective or adverb Lesson 9.6 Prepositions and prepositional phrases</p> <p>Chapter 6 Lesson 6.3 Hard to find subjects (never a part of prepositional phrase)</p>	<p>Chapter 10 Lesson 10.1 Agreement of subject and verb Lesson 10.2 Phrases between the subject and verb Lesson 10.3 Compound subject Lesson 10.5 Other agreement problems</p>	<p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.3 Commas in series (review compound sentences) Lesson 11.4 Other comma uses (introductory words, phrases, or clauses, interrupters, direct address, nonessential</p>

	<p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.1 Verbs</p> <p>Chapter 6 Lesson 6.2 Subject/predicate (simple and complete)</p> <p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.4 Subject and object pronouns</p> <p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.6 Quotation marks (direct quotation or exact words)</p> <p>Chapter 12 Lesson 12.2 Quotations and titles</p>	<p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.7 Conjunctions and interjections</p> <p>Chapter 2 Lesson 2.1 Correcting sentence fragments Lesson 2.2 Correcting run on sentences</p> <p>Chapter 3 Lesson 3.4 Independent and subordinate clauses</p> <p>Chapter 11 Lesson 11.3 Commas (with coordinating conjunctions between two independent clauses, and after subordinating clauses at the start of a sentence)</p> <p>Chapter 12 Lesson 12.5 Semicolon to separate two independent clauses that are closely related</p> <p>Chapter 3 Lesson 3.5 Varying sentence structure (simple, compound, complex, compound-complex) Lesson 3.6 Compound subjects and compound verbs</p>	<p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.2 Regular and irregular verbs (present, present participle, past, and past participle) Lesson 8.3 More irregular verbs Lesson 8.4 Verb tense (present, past, future, present perfect, past perfect, future perfect)</p>	<p>clauses, essential appositive words and phrases, date and year, direct quotations)</p> <p>The rest of the fourth quarter can be used as review of grammar topics from earlier quarters with a focus on those topics with which students are struggling.</p>
Grade 8	<p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.1 nouns Lesson 7.2 compound and collective nouns</p> <p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.1 verbs</p>	<p>Chapter 10 Lesson 10.1</p> <p>Chapter 9 Lesson 9.1 adjectives and adverbs Lesson 9.5 misplaced and dangling modifiers Lesson 9.6 prepositions</p>	<p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.7 Pronoun-Antecedent Agreement</p> <p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.6 Active and Passive Voice</p>	<p>The fourth quarter can be used as review of grammar topics from earlier quarters with a focus on those topics with which students are</p>

	<p>Chapter 3 Lesson 3.5 (Before moving on to chapter 6, teachers should spend a brief amount of time on prepositions and prepositional phrases to help students separate the PP from the subject of the sentence.)</p> <p>Chapter 6 Lesson 6.1 complete sentences Lesson 6.2 subjects and predicates Lesson 6.3 identifying the subject Lesson 6.4 compound subjects and verbs</p> <p>Chapter 7 Lesson 7.3 pronouns Lesson 7.4 subject and object pronouns Lesson 7.5 Who or Whom Lesson 7.6 possessive nouns and pronouns</p> <p>Chapter 8 Lesson 8.2 regular and irregular verbs Lesson 8.3 more irregular verbs Lesson 8.4 simple and perfect tenses Lesson 8.5 shifts in tense</p>	<p>and prepositional phrases Lesson 9.7 conjunctions and interjections</p> <p>Chapter 3 Lesson 3.3 independent and subordinate clauses Lesson 3.4 types of sentence structure Lesson 3.6 combining sentences: coordinating conjunctions Lesson 3.8 combining sentences: subordinate clauses</p> <p>Chapter 2 Lesson 2.1 sentence fragments Lesson 2.2 run-on sentences Lesson 2.3 parallel structure</p>	<p>Lesson 8.7 Participles and Participial Phrases</p> <p>Chapter 10 Lesson 10.3 Indefinite Pronouns and Inverted Sentences Lesson 10.4 Special Nouns</p>	<p>struggling.</p>
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*Grade level teachers developed the order of lessons based on assessment of students' prior knowledge and experience with grammar and the writing process. Chapters that cover the writing process and its subtopics (prewriting and drafting: chapters 1, 4 and 5 and revising, editing, and presenting: chapters 11 and 12) are not included here at all grade levels; however, this information will be included on quarterly exams. It is up to the individual teacher on how best to incorporate these lessons into daily writing instruction.