

Writing for Success Scope and Sequence

Intermediate Level 1 Descriptive

Skills Taught

Lessons

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Knowing a complete sentence has a subject and a predicate and expresses a complete thought	✓			✓				
Knowing the subject tells who or what the sentence is about	✓			✓				
Knowing the predicate tells what is happening	✓			✓				
Writing a complete sentence	✓			✓				
Demonstrating expected audience behavior	✓				✓			✓
Identifying and analyzing a descriptive paragraph	✓				✓			
Using a graphic organizer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Knowing the five senses	✓		✓					
Knowing transition words lead the reader from one detail to the next	✓					✓	✓	✓
Identifying and using transition words	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓
Knowing the way words are used in sentences is called the parts of speech	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Knowing a noun is a word that names a person, place, thing, or idea	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓
Knowing adjectives are words that describe nouns		✓	✓	✓				✓
Knowing adjectives can tell what kind, how many, or which one		✓	✓	✓				
Knowing a, an, and the are special adjectives called articles		✓						
Recognizing nouns and adjectives and using adjectives to describe nouns		✓	✓	✓				✓
Writing a class five-sense descriptive paragraph collaboratively		✓	✓	✓				
Knowing the opening sentence of a paragraph sometimes tells the topic of the paragraph		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Knowing the topic of the paragraph is what the paragraph is about		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Knowing the middle sentences of a descriptive paragraph tell the details		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brainstorming		✓	✓				✓	
Knowing a five-sense descriptive paragraph uses the five senses to describe the details		✓	✓	✓				
Knowing the closing sentence of a descriptive paragraph brings all the ideas together in one final idea		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Knowing what an indent is and how to use it		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓
Knowing editing means adding, changing, or taking out words, phrases, or sentences		✓		✓				✓
Editing a class descriptive paragraph collaboratively		✓		✓		✓		
Knowing figurative language is used to paint a picture in the mind of the reader		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Knowing simile is figurative language comparing two unlike things using the words like or as		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓

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Identifying and using similes		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Using proofreading marks		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Using an add-in sheet		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Knowing onomatopoeia is figurative language that tells the actual sound something makes		✓		✓		✓		✓
Using correct capitalization and punctuation in onomatopoeia		✓		✓		✓		✓
Knowing alliteration is figurative language using words close together that begin with the same sound		✓		✓		✓		✓
Using adjectives to describe nouns		✓	✓	✓				✓
Varying the first words of sentences		✓		✓				✓
Participating in partner activities			✓	✓				✓
Knowing the writing process involves brainstorming, planning, drafting, and editing			✓	✓			✓	✓
Independently writing a five-sense descriptive paragraph			✓	✓				
Knowing a verb is a word that expresses action or a state of being				✓			✓	
Knowing is, am, are, was, were, be, being, been are state of being verbs				✓				
Knowing an adverb is a word that modifies a verb				✓				✓
Knowing an adverb tells how, when, or where				✓				
Knowing an adverb can tell how an action is done				✓				✓
Knowing an adverb may tell where or in what direction an action is done				✓				✓
Editing a five-sense descriptive paragraph				✓				✓
Proofreading a five-sense descriptive paragraph with a partner				✓				
Using a rubric for evaluation				✓				✓
Publishing and presenting a descriptive paragraph				✓				✓
Knowing and using comparative adjectives					✓			✓
Knowing and using superlative adjectives					✓			✓
Understanding spatial order					✓	✓	✓	✓
Using the five senses to write a paragraph with spatial order					✓	✓	✓	✓
Knowing the difference between general and specific nouns					✓	✓		✓
Gathering information to write a paragraph using spatial order						✓		
Writing a class descriptive paragraph collaboratively using spatial order						✓		
Writing a descriptive paragraph independently using spatial order							✓	✓
Knowing the difference between general and specific verbs							✓	✓
Editing a paragraph using spatial order								✓
Proofreading a descriptive paragraph using spatial order with a partner								✓
Publishing and presenting a descriptive paragraph using spatial order								✓