

# Teaching the Language Strand

Common Core State Standards

## Teaching the Language Strand Grade 6

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CCSS	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 2.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 3.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 4.0, 5.0, 6.0
1	Proper Nouns	Periods in Proper Noun Titles	Vowels and Consonants	Delete the Unnecessary "Here" Words	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Idioms
2	Common Nouns	Periods in Names, Abbreviations, and Acronyms	Vowels and Consonants	Noun Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
3	Collective Nouns	Periods in Indirect Questions and Intentional Fragments	Vowel Diphthongs	Delete the Unnecessary "It"	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Idioms
4	Personal Pronouns	Periods in Alphanumeric Outlines	Vowel Diphthongs	Pronoun Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
5	Subject (Nominative) Case Pronouns	Semicolons in Compound Sentences	r- controlled Vowels	Delete the Unnecessary "There" Words	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Idioms
6	Object Case Pronouns	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Nouns	r- controlled Vowels	Adjective Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
7	Possessive Case Pronouns	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Nouns	Consonant Doubling	Delete Unnecessary Writing References	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Similes
8	Adjectives	Apostrophes for Possessive Compound Nouns and Possessive Subjects and Objects	Consonant Doubling	Possessive Pronoun Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

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CCSS	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 2.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 3.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 4.0, 5.0, 6.0
9	Demonstrative Adjectives	Apostrophes in Contractions	i before e	Delete Unnecessary Writer References	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Similes
10	Adverbs	Comma Misuse	<i>i</i> before <i>e</i>	Adverb Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
11	Coordinating Conjunctions	Commas for Dates	Hard and Soft /c/ and /g/	Parallel Coordinating Conjunctions	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Metaphors
12	Correlative Conjunctions	Commas for Letters	Hard and Soft /c/ and /g/	Prepositional Phrase Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
13	Subordinating Conjunctions	Commas in Addresses	Plurals	Parallel Correlative Conjunctions	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Metaphors
14	*Prepositional Phrases	Commas for Names	Plurals	Complete Subject Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
15	Subjects	Commas for Geographical Places	Drop/Keep Final e	Delete Paired Redundancies	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Metaphors
16	Predicates	Commas for Tag Questions	Drop/Keep Final e	Direct Object Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

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CCSS	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 1.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 2.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 3.0	Conventions of Standard English Language 4.0, 5.0, 6.0
17	Direct objects	Commas for Beginning Direct Speech	/ch/	Delete Restatements	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Imagery
18	Phrases and Clauses	Commas for Ending Direct Speech	/ch/	Compound Subject Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
19	*Fragments and Complete Sentences	Commas for Middle Direct Speech	"ough" and "augh"	Change Complex Words to Simple Words	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Adages
20	*Run-ons and Complete Sentences	Commas in a Series	"ough" and "augh"	Connective Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
21	Sentence Forms simple, compound, complex	Commas after Introductory Words and Phrases	Starting/ Ending /k/	Make Items in a List Parallel	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Adages
22	Types of Sentences	Commas after Introductory Clauses	Starting/ Ending /k/	Transition Word Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
23	*Noun Phrases	Commas to Set off Interjections	Change/Keep y	Parallel Structures	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Alliteration
24	Indefinite Pronouns	Commas and Quotation Marks with Speaker Tags	Change/Keep y	Noun Phrase Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

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25	Interrogative Pronouns	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences	"al" and "ful"	Interrogative Pronouns	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Proverbs
26	Reciprocal Pronouns	Commas with Phrases in a Series	"al" and "ful"	Noun Clause Sentence Opener	
27	Demonstrative Pronouns	Commas in Complex Sentences	Double <i>l-f-s-z</i>	Reflexive Pronouns	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Proverbs
28	Reflexive Pronouns	Commas with Hierarchical Adjectives	Double <i>l-f-s-z</i>	Nominative Absolute Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
29	Intensive Pronouns	Punctuation in Non-restrictive Clauses	"ph"	Intensive Pronouns	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Onomatopoeia
30	*Pronoun Antecedents	Punctuation in Restrictive Clauses	"ph"	Demonstrative Pronoun Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
31	*Pronoun Number and Person Shifts	Direct Quotations	/ion/	Reciprocal Pronouns	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Personification
32	*Vague Pronoun References	Indirect Quotations	/ion/	Demonstrative Adjective Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

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33	*Adjectival Phrases	Italics and Underlining: Movie and Television Show Titles	"c/tial" and "c/tious"	Helping Verb Deletions	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Personification
34	*Adjectival Clauses and Relative Pronouns	Italics and Underlining: Book and Magazine Titles	"c/tial" and "c/tious"	Adjectival Phrase Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
35	Short Comparative Modifiers	Italics and Underlining: Play and Work of Art Titles	Consonant-"le"	Substitute Adjectives for Adjective Phrases	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Colloquial-isms
36	Long Comparative Modifiers	Quotation Marks: Song and Poem Titles	Consonant-"le"	Adjectival Clause Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
37	Short Superlative Modifiers	Quotation Marks: Book Chapter Titles	Vowel-"se," "ve"	Eliminate Interruptions	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Colloquial-isms
38	Long Superlative Modifiers	Quotation Marks: Magazine Article Titles	Vowel-"se," "ve"	Short Comparative Modifier Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
39	*Verb Phrases	Quotation Marks: Short Story and Document Titles	Irregular Plurals	Rearrange in Chronological Order	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes
40	Progressive Verb Tense	Capitalization of Named People and Characters	Irregular Plurals	Long Comparative Modifier Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

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41	Perfect Verb Tense	Capitalization of Named Places	Vowel Shift	Eliminate "to be" Verbs by Rephrasing	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes
42	*Adverbial Clauses	Capitalization of Named Things and Products	Vowel Shift	Short Superlative Modifier Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
43	*Singular subject-verb agreement	Capitalization of Holidays and Dates	Consonant Shift	Eliminate "to be" Verbs by Changing Nouns to Verbs	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes
44	*Plural subject- verb agreement	Capitalization of Titles	Consonant Shift	Long Superlative Modifier Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
45	*Shifts in Verb Tense	Capitalization of Special Events and Historical Periods	Pronunciation Problems	Make Noun Constructions Parallel	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Personification
46	*Non-standard English Contractions: ain't and han't	Capitalization of Organizations and Businesses	Pronunciation Problems	Non-restrictive Relative Clause Sentence Opener	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
47	*Non-standard English Negation	Capitalization of Languages and People Groups	Schwa	Combine Short, Choppy Sentences Using Coordination	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Personification
48	*Non-standard English for the Continuous "to be" and "do or don't be"	Question Marks	Schwa	End A Sentence With A Restrictive Relative Clause	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
49	*Non-standard English Was and Were- Leveling	Exclamation Points	Greek and Latin Prefixes	Change Imprecise Words to Precise Words	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Personification

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50	*Non-standard English Pronoun Usage	Colons in Titles, Numbers, and Ratios	Greek and Latin Prefixes	Combine Short, Choppy Sentences by Adding a Beginning Subordinate Clause	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
51	*Non-standard English Third Person Subject- Verb Agreement	Parentheses with Numbers and Letters	Greek and Latin Roots	Compound Sentences	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes
52	*Non-standard English Deletions	Dashes with Dates, Times, and Numbers	Greek and Latin Roots	Complex Sentences	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
53	*Non-standard English Substitutions and Additions	Brackets	French Spellings	Compound- Complex Sentences	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes
54	*Non-standard English Substitutions of the Past Participle Verb Form	Hyphens and Compound Adjectives	French Spellings	Short Sentences for Sentence Variety	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language
55	*Non-standard English Misuse of the Past Progressive Verb Tense	Slashes	Homonyms	Change Adjectives Preceding Nouns to Appositives	Multiple Meaning Words, Greek and Latin Morphemes, Verbal Irony
56	*Non-standard English Commonly Misused Words	Numbers	Homonyms	Delete Redundant Categories	Word Relationships, Connotations, Academic Language

Boldface denotes Introductory Standard for Sixth Grade Level. \* Denotes Progressive Language Skill.

#### **Mechanics Lesson**

"Today we are studying how to use **semicolons** to join independent clauses. Remember that an independent clause is a noun and a connected verb expressing a complete thought. Two or more independent clauses form a compound sentence. Now let's read the mechanics lesson, highlight or underline the key points of the text, and study the examples."

"A **semicolon** (;) can be used to join two independent clauses in a compound sentence. The semicolon replaces a comma-conjunction. **Example:** Joe is a real leader; he serves as class president."

"Now read the practice sentence in your workbook. Apply the mechanics rules to highlight or underline what is right. Then cross out and revise what is wrong. [Allow time.] 'Can anyone share what is right? What is wrong? [Correct the sentence on the display]."

**Mechanics Practice Answers:** There might be some reason; she just hasn't told me what it is.

#### **Grammar and Usage Lesson**

"Today we are studying **subject** (**nominative**) **case pronouns**. Remember that a pronoun takes the place of a noun. Now let's read the grammar and usage lesson, highlight or underline the key points of the text, and study the examples."

"Pronouns are in the subject (nominative) case when they act upon a verb or when they identify or refer to the subject. Writers use subject (nominative) case pronouns to avoid repetitious nouns. If unsure that the pronoun is in the subject case, rephrase the sentence with the pronoun at the start of the sentence."

"These are subject (nominative) case pronouns:

Singular—I, you, he, she, it, who Plural—we, you, they, who"

"Place the first person singular pronoun (I) last in compound subjects. **Example:** Paul and I"

"Also use subject (nominative) case pronouns following 'to be' verbs (is, am, are, was, were, be, being, been) to identify or refer to the subject as predicate nominatives. **Example:** It is I."

"Now read the practice sentences in your workbook. Then highlight or underline what is right and revise what is wrong according to grammar and usage lesson. [Allow time.] 'Can anyone share what is right? What is wrong? [Correct the sentence on the display]."

**Grammar and Usage Practice Answers:** No, it wasn't they who called first. It was Tom and I.

## **Sentence Diagram Lesson and Corrections**

"Now read the directions and complete this Sentence Diagram in your workbook: 'They help her." [Allow time.]



"Compare your diagram to that on the display. Use a different color pen or pencil to place a  $\sqrt{}$  above each correctly placed answer and revise any errors."

#### **Mentor Text Lesson**

"This mentor text, written by Dale Carnegie (an American author and motivational speaker), uses second person subject case pronouns to both personalize and generalize. Let's read it carefully: 'You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.' Which exceptional writing features can you identify?"

#### **Writing Application Lesson**

"Now let's apply what we've learned and compose a sentence with a variety of subject case pronouns on the Writing Application section of your workbook. [Allow time. Ask a few students to share and then write one exemplary sentence on the on the display]."

#### **Dictations and Corrections**

"Apply the mechanics rules to write this Sentence Dictation correctly in your workbook: 'That is silly; he should know better.'"

"Apply the grammar and usage lesson to write this Sentence Dictation correctly in your workbook: 'I and he thought that it was me who knew more than he."

"Now compare your sentences to the dictations on the display. Use a different color pen or pencil to place a  $\sqrt{}$  above correct answers or revisions. Correct errors with editing marks."

## **Mechanics**

A semicolon (;) can be used to join two independent clauses in a compound sentence. The semicolon replaces a commaconjunction in most compound sentences. **Example:** Joe is a real leader; he serves as class president.

**Practice:** There might be some reason; she; just hasn't told me what it is.

## **Grammar and Usage**

Pronouns are in the subject (nominative) case when they act upon a verb or when they identify or refer to the subject. Writers use subject (nominative) case pronouns to avoid repetitious nouns. If unsure that the pronoun is in the subject case, rephrase the sentence with the pronoun at the start of the sentence.

These are subject (nominative) case pronouns:

Singular—I, you, he, she, it, who Plural—we, you, they, who

Place the first person singular pronoun (*I*) last in compound subjects. **Example:** Paul and I

Also use subject (nominative) case pronouns following "to be" verbs to identify or refer to the subject as *predicate nominatives*. **Example:** No, it wasn't they who called first, but Tom and I.

**Practice:** No, it wasn't they who called first. It was Tom and I.

## **Sentence Diagram Answers**

## They help her

## **Mentor Text**

"You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you."

Dale Carnegie (1888–1955)

## **Writing Application Lesson**

**Mechanics Dictation** 

That is silly; he should know better.

**Grammar and Usage Dictation** 

He and I thought that it was I who knew more than he.



#### **Mechanics**

A **semicolon** (;) can be used to join two independent clauses in a compound sentence. The semicolon replaces a comma-conjunction. **Example:** Joe is a real leader; he is class president.

**Practice:** There might be some reason; she; just hasn't told me what it is.

#### **Grammar and Usage**

Pronouns are in the subject (nominative) case when they act upon a verb or when they identify or refer to the subject. Writers use subject (nominative) case pronouns to avoid repetitious nouns. If unsure that the pronoun is in the subject case, rephrase the sentence with the pronoun at the start of the sentence.

These are subject (nominative) case pronouns: Singular—*I*, you, he, she, it, who Plural—we, you, they, who

Place the first person singular pronoun (I) last in compound subjects. **Example:** Paul and I

Also use subject (nominative) case pronouns following "to be" verbs (is, am, are, was, were, be, being, been) to identify or refer to the subject as predicate nominatives. **Example:** It is I.

**Practice:** No, it wasn't them who called first. It was Tom and I.

#### **Sentence Diagram**

Complete this Sentence Diagram: "They help her."



#### **Writing Application**

#### **Mechanics Dictation**

## **Grammar and Usage Dictation**

## **TLS** Spelling Patterns Test #16

## /ion/

- 1. seclusion
- 2. mission
- 3. musician
- 4. nation
- 5. televisions
- 6. expulsion
- 7. technician
- 8. confusion
- 9. beautician
- 10. passion
- 11. evolution
- 12. mortician
- 13. transition
- 14. emotion
- 15. explosion
- 16. concussion
- 17. magi**cian**s
- 18. ova**tion**
- 19. colli**sion**s
- 20. transmission

## **TLS** Spelling Sort Answers #16

## /ion/

Directions: Circle the bolded spelling patterns in the words you sorted correctly.

SPELLING WORDS
1. seclu <b>sion</b>
2. mission
3. musi <b>cian</b>
4. na <b>tion</b>
5. televi <b>sion</b> s
6. expu <b>lsion</b>
7. techni <b>cian</b>
8. confusion
9. beauti <b>cian</b>
10. pa <b>ssion</b>
11. evolu <b>tion</b>
12. morti <b>cian</b>
13. transi <b>tion</b>
14. emo <b>tion</b>
15. explosion
16. concu <b>ssion</b>
17. magi <b>cian</b> s
18. ova <b>tion</b>
19. colli <b>sion</b> s
20. transmi <b>ssion</b>

/ahun/ ofton	/grupn /
/shun/ after	/zyun/
l or s	
mi <b>ssion</b>	seclu <b>sion</b>
expu <b>lsion</b>	televi <b>sion</b> s
passion	confusion
concussion	explo <b>sion</b>
transmi <b>ssion</b>	colli <b>sion</b> s
Person	Other /ion/
Person	Other /ion/ Spelling
<b>Person</b> musi <b>cian</b>	
	Spelling
musi <b>cian</b>	Spelling nation
musi <b>cian</b> techni <b>cian</b>	Spelling nation evolution
musi <b>cian</b> techni <b>cian</b> beauti <b>cian</b>	Spelling nation evolution transition
musician technician beautician mortician	Spelling nation evolution transition emotion



#### **Spelling Rule**

When a suffix sounds like /shun/ and follows an *l* or *s*, spell "sion" as in *propulsion* or *passion*. Also, when the suffix sounds like /zyun/, spell "sion" as in *illusion*. If the suffix sounds like /shun/ and indicates a person, spell "cian" as in *magician*. Otherwise, spell "tion" for the rest of the suffixes that have the /ion/ sound as in *lotion*.

#### **Spelling Sort**

Sort each spelling word into the group that best matches its sound and spelling pattern.

SPELLING WORDS	/shun/ after l or s	/zyun/
1. seclusion		
2. mission		
3. musician		
4. nation		
5. televisions		
6. expulsion		
7. technician		
8. confusion	Person	Other /ion/ Spelling
9. beautician		
10. passion		
11. evolution		
12. mortician		<u> </u>
13. transition		
14. emotion		
15. explosion		<u> </u>
16. concussion		
17. magicians		
18. ovation		
19. collisions		
20. transmission		

## **TLS** Language Application #9

## **Lesson Focus**

Our language application task is to **delete unnecessary** writer references. Using phrases that refer to the writer are not needed and tend to make writing wordier. Eliminate such phrases to make your writing more direct.

## **Examples**

I think (or I believe) you would be better off without it.

This sentence can be better revised as...

You would be better off without it.

In my opinion (or In this writer's opinion) this should change.

This sentence can be better revised as...

This should change.

From my point of view (or From this writer's point of view) no one is safe in this city anymore.

This sentence can be better revised as...

No one is safe in this city any more.

## Revise this sentence by deleting the unnecessary writer reference:

In my opinion the teacher is wrong about this proposed law.

## **Language Application Revisions**

The teacher is wrong about this proposed law.



#### **Unnecessary Writer References**

## **Lesson Focus Key Idea** Our language application task is to delete unnecessary writer references. Using phrases that refer to the writer are not needed and tend to make writing wordier. Eliminate such phrases to make your writing more direct. **Examples** I think (or I believe) you would be better off without it. This sentence can be better revised as... You would be better off without it. In my opinion (or In this writer's opinion) this should change. This sentence can be better revised as... This should change. From my point of view (or From this writer's point of view) no one is safe in this city anymore. This sentence can be better revised as... No one is safe in this city any more. Revise this sentence by deleting the unnecessary writer reference: In my opinion the teacher is wrong about this proposed law. **Language Application Revision**



1. To postpone.

### **Multiple Meaning Words**

**Vocabulary Words Definitions** 

table (v)

table (n)

**Directions:** Write the number of the definition that best matches the use of each vocabulary word in the sentences below.

2. A graph of facts or figures containing rows and columns.

After distr	ibuting a table	showing re	cent gains in sales, t	he manager decided to table
the discuss	sion about cutti	ng production o	costs.	
Greek a	nd Latin W	ord Parts: F	Prefixes, Roots,	and Suffixes
				e word which includes the word part. definition of the vocabulary word.
Prefix	Root	Suffix	Meaning	<b>Example Words</b>
	circum		against	
	vent		come	
circumven	ıt			
áccent, list	t its part of spec	ech, and write i	ts primary definition	ord into syl/la/bles, mark its primary  . Compare to your definition above.  s of the vocabulary word.
		·		orm
				rtain language group)
"take it up		did pretty well t	for our first debate, b	explain the meaning of this idiom: but next time we will have to do



### **Word Relationships: Antonyms**

**Directions:** Consult a **SALE** (Synonym, Antonym, Logic, Example) context clues to write a sentence that shows the meaning of each vocabulary word. Connect the clauses with a transition.

Vocabulary Words employee (n) employer (n)	Someone who works for	a person, business, or organization. organization that pays a person to do work.	
transition:	,		
Connotations: S	Shades of Meaning		
Directions: Write the	e vocabulary words where	they belong on the Connotation Spectrum.	
Vocabulary Words pebble (n) boulder (n)	A small stone made smoo	oth by weather and water. smooth by weather and water.	
<del></del>	stone	rock	
Vocabulary Word:	the vocabulary words in eccentric comment (n) aing said or written about	Similar to	
Different than		<b>Example, Characteristics, or Picture:</b>	
Vocabulary Words	: compensate (v)	Similar to	
	people for their work.		
Different than		Example, Characteristics, or Picture:	

## **TLS** Diagnostic Grammar and Usage Assessment

**Directions:** Place the letter that best matches in the space to the left of the number.

21. The students who got into trouble are	
A. them B. me and she C. I and he D. they	E. those
22. The teacher yelled at two students, Rachel and	
A. I B. me C. it D. he	E. us
23. He stirred the sauce, and then let John taste	
A. them B. this C. it D. thes	e E. that
24. That moviewe watched was entertaining.	
A. this B. those C. it D. which	ch E. that
25. She should whenever she has her picture take	en.
A. smile B. have smiling C. have had smiled D.	smiled E. have smiled
26. Ismelda three miles to her school today.	
A. had been walking B. has walking C. is walking	g D. will walked E. walk
27. John and Jean their father on his lunch hour.	
A. visits B. been visiting C. were visited D. have	e been visited E. visited
28. Both Annie and Debra their opponents.	
A. has defeated B. had defeated C. had been defeated	ated D. defeats E. had defeating
29. Compared to her happy sister, she is	
A. happier B. most happy C. happiest D. n	nore happier E. most happiest
30. Of all the happy people, he was	
A. happier B. most happy C. happiest D. n	
31. Compared to last time, this work is definitely	
A. most difficult B. more difficulter C. difficultes	D. more difficult E. difficulter
32. He is the of the students in his class.	entest. D. mana intelligent
A. most intelligent B. more intelligent C. intellige	entest D. more intelligent
E. intelligenter	
33. Please as much as possible.  A. will have been studied B. will study C. study	dy Dara studied Estudied
34. Yesterday, she must more than he did.	b. are studied E. studied
A. will have been studying B. had studied C. stu	dy D were studied E have studied
35. After she planned for two hours, she then eve	
A. studied B. will study C. study D. had	
	2. have studied
A. will have been studying B. will study C. stud	v D. had studied E. studied
37. We more later this afternoon.	<b>y</b>
A. will have been studying B. will study C. stud	y D. are studied E. have studied
38. By the time the clock strikes three, we for for	•
A. will have been studying B. will study C. stud	=
39. If he, he might have a better chance at passing	g the test.
A. will have been studying B. will be studying	C. study D. are studied
E. were studying	
40. The chapter notes by the whole class.	
A. will have been studying B. will study C. have	e studied D. are studied

# Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet #22 Object Case Pronouns

**Definition:** Pronouns are in the object case when they are used as direct objects, indirect objects of verbs, and as objects of prepositions. These are the object case pronouns:

Singular—me, you, him, her, it

Plural—us, you, them

#### **Writing Hints**

Pronouns take the object case in four grammatical forms:

- if the pronoun is the direct object. The direct object receives the action of the verb. Example: The challenge excited *him*.
- if the direct object is described by an appositive phrase (a phrase that identifies or explains another noun or pronoun placed next to it).
  - Example: The teacher yelled at two students, Rachel and me.
- if the pronoun is an indirect object of a verb. The indirect object is placed between a verb and its direct object. It tells to what, to whom, for what, or for whom. Example: Robert gave *him* a king-size candy bar.
- if the pronoun is an object of a preposition. A preposition shows some relationship or position between a proper noun, a common noun, or a pronoun and its object. The preposition asks "What?" and the object provides the answer.

  Example: The fly buzzed around *her* and past *them* by *me*.
- if the pronoun connects to an infinitive. An infinitive has a *to* + the base form of a verb. Example: I want *him* to give the speech.

To test whether the pronoun is in the object case, try these tricks:

- Rephrase to check if the pronoun sounds right.
   Example: Joe smiled at all of *them*. Rephrase—At all of *them* Joe smiled.
- Drop other nouns or pronouns when there is a compound subject and check if the remaining pronoun sounds right. Remember that English is a polite language; the first person pronouns (*I*, *me*, *ours*, *mine*) are always placed last when combined with other nouns or pronouns.

Example: She gave Kathy and me a gift. Drop and check—She gave me a gift.

#### **Practice**

Identify which grammatical form the objective case pronouns take in the following sentences. Fill in the blanks with a DO for a direct object, an IO for an indirect object, an OP for an object of the preposition, or an I for a pronoun connected to an infinitive.

He told them after him He had wanted to tell us first, but when came to see me I said, "You should tell him the news before me He had not given it much thought.
Formative Assessment Compose your own sentence with an object case pronoun serving as an indirect object.

## TLS Diagnostic Spelling Assessment (Teacher Copy)

1.	bumper	The car bumper had a large dent.	bumper	
2.		conditions it is hard to drive. foggy		
3.	briskly	They walked briskly through the park.	briskly	
4.	medical	His medical condition worsened.	medical	
5.	defiance	The child's defiance created heartache.	defiance Short Vowe	els
6.	dreadful	A dreadful sound came out of the trumpet.	dreadful	_/6
7.	provide	She can provide all of the details.	provide	
8.	lately That hap	ppens a lot lately. lately		
9.	compute	To compute numbers he used a calculator.	compute	
10.	hopeful	I am hopeful that she will visit soon.	hopeful	
11.	attitude	The student had a wonderful attitude.	attitude	
12.	surprise	It could not have been a better surprise.	surprise	
13.	muffle	The headphones muffle the noise.	muffle	
14.	motive	The lawyer found the motive for the crime.	motive Sile	ent Final <i>e</i>
15.	submarine	A submarine can be very long.	submarine	/9
16.	eyelashes	Her eyelashes were very long.	eyelashes	
17.	crutches	He had to use crutches because of his ankle.	•	
18.	hypothesis	The scientist's hypothesis was tested.	hypothesis	Consonant
19.	cartwheel	I could never do a proper cartwheel.	cartwheel	Digraphs
20.	telegraph	The telegraph was invented in the 1800s.	telegraph	/5
21.	patriot	A patriot is one who supports his country.	patriot	<del></del>
22.	payment	I received his payment last July.	payment	
23.	trained	She trained long and hard for the Olympics.		
24.	neighbor	My neighbor wakes up early each morning.	neighbor	/4
25.	maybe	He thought maybe they would agree.	maybe	
26.	seeking	The captain was seeking buried treasure.	seeking	
27.	ceilings	The apartment had very high ceilings.	ceilings	
28.	lobbying	Student Council is lobbying for a game day.	lobbying	
29.	creature	The iguana is a strange-looking creature.	creature Long /e/	
30.		us of the circle was six inches. radius	creature Bong /c/	/6
31.	bicycle	She got a bicycle for her birthday.	bicycle	_,0
32.	delight	The new neighbor is such a delight.	delight	
33.	supply	A huge supply came in yesterday.		ng /i/
34.	untie	It took me a long time to untie the knot.	untie	/4
35.	introduce	I would like to introduce my friend.	introduce	/-
36.	vetoed	The president vetoed the proposed law.	vetoed	
37.	soaking	When you are soaking in a tub, life is fine.	soaking Long /o/	
38.	fellowship	The hobbit joined the secret fellowship.	fellowship	/4
39.	musician	Our friend is an excellent musician.	musician	/~
39. 40.		e fewer choices than I had thought. fewer	Long /u/	
40. 41.	rescued		rescued	/3
71.	rescued	The dog rescued the child from the river.		<i>13</i>

## **Sound-Spelling Patterns Scope and Sequence**

Short Vowel Sounds	Long i Sound Vowels	aw Sound Vowels
1. u	31. i	52. aw
2. 0	32igh	53. au
3. i	33y	54. al
4. e	34ie	55. all
5. a		001 412
6. ea	Long o Sound Vowels	r-controlled Vowels
Silent Final e	35. o	56. ur
	36oe	57. er
7. Long <i>i</i> Sound i_e	37. oa_	58. ir
8. a_e	38. ow	59. ar
9. u_e		60. or
10. o_e	Long u Sound Vowels	50. 01
11. u_e		Hard/Soft c and g
12se	39. u	Sounds
13le	40ew	Sourius
14ve	41ue	61. Hard <i>c</i>
15. Long <i>e</i> i_e	41uc	62. Soft <i>c</i>
13. Long & 1_C	oo Sound as in rooster	63. Hard <i>g</i>
<b>Consonant Digraph Sounds</b>	oo Sound as in roosier	64. Soft <i>g</i>
Consonant Digraph Sounds	42. oo	04. Soft g
16. sh	43ue	
17. ch and _tch	44. u	
18. th	45ew	
19. wh_	43ew	
_	oo Sound as in woodpecker	
20. ph	oo Sound as in woodpecker	
Long a Sound Vowels	46. oo	
	47u_	
21. a	···· <u>_</u> **_	
22ay	ow Sound as in cow	
23. ai_	on bodile as in con	
24. ei	48ow	
21. 61	49. ou_	
Long e Sound Vowels	.,, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Long Country official	oi Sound	
25. e	or Sound	
26ee	50. oi_	
27. [c]ei	51oy	
28y	510y	
29. ea		
30. i-Vowel		
30. 1- V OWEI		

## Teacher Resource Page: r-controlled Vowel Sounds

## r-controlled Vowel Sound-Spelling Pattern Example Words "ur"

curb-surfing-turned-curtain-burst-burned-turning-church-curls-lurking

#### **Formative Dictations Assessment**

The sturdy nurse with the purple purse stepped off the curb into the dirty street on her birthday.

## r-controlled Vowel Sound-Spelling Pattern Example Words "er"

alert-clerk-perfect-certain-herself -jerk-clerk-germstern-percent

#### **Formative Dictations Assessment**

One winter day, the clerk sat at home, perfectly alert watching herself in a mirror.

## r-controlled Vowel Sound-Spelling Pattern Example Words "ir"

first-shirt-squirt-thirsty-girls-dirty-birthday-firm-third-twirl

#### **Formative Dictations Assessment**

First, did you know that the girls got their shirts dirty at her birthday party?

## **TLS** Spelling Pattern Worksheet #56

<i>r</i> -controlle	ed "ur"	,				
FOCUS	The en	r sound heard in	ermine can be spel	lled "ur" as in f	ur.	
SORT	Write	each word in the	correct column.			
burn persp squir	oire	barbed church	surfer thirst	stork certainly	burst churned	curls
		'Spellings		er "er" Spelling	gs	
						_
						_
						_
						_
RHYME	Write	e a rhyme with t	he <i>r</i> -controlled "u	ır" spelling foı	r each of these	words.
urn			furl			
spurt			curse			
JUMBLE word.	Write	e the word with	the <i>r</i> -controlled "	ur" spelling fo	und in each ju	mbled
rdremu			surbda			
rntu			lurehr			

## Accent Shift Syllable Worksheet

**Directions:** Read the syllable rule. Carefully divide the words into syllables with slash (/) marks. Then write the accent mark ( ') above the primary vowel accent.

**Teaching Hint:** Accent placements sometimes change between related words. All words have one syllable that has a primary accent on its vowel sound.

moment	recede	allergic
momentous	recession	conserve
abstraction	democrat	conservation
abstract	democracy	magnet
biological	injury	magnetic
biology	injurious	photograph
politics	electric	photography
political	electricity	tranquil
politician	allergy	tranquility



## **Sentence Fragments #2**

**Definition:** A sentence fragment is only part of a complete sentence. It does not express a complete thought. The fragment may be a dependent (subordinate) clause (a subject and a verb that does not express a complete thought), a phrase (a group of related words with no subject and verb), or a list of related words.

#### **Writing Hints**

To change sentence fragments into complete sentences, try the following:

• Connect the fragment to the sentence before or after the fragment.

Example: Because of the ice. The roads were a slippery hazard. Fragment

The roads were a slippery hazard because of the ice. Complete

• Change the fragment into a complete thought.

Example: Mainly, the passage of time. Fragment

Mainly, she felt the passage of time.

Complete

• Remove Transitions (subordinating conjunctions).

Example: Although she found out where the boys were. Fragment

She found out where the boys were. Complete

#### Remember: A complete sentence—

- 1. tells a complete thought.
- 2. has both a subject and a predicate.
- 3. has the voice drop down at the end of a statement and the voice go up at the end of a question.

#### **Practice**

**Directions:** Change the following sentence fragments into complete thoughts in the space provided below. Underline the subject and circle the predicate for each sentence that you write. Finally, read each of your sentences out loud to make sure that your voice drops down at the end of each sentence.

Running down the hill to my friend.
When the class goes to lunch after the bell and the students walk to the gym.
Because the playground seems wet with ice.
Mrs. Gonzales, the wonderful principal of our school and friend to all students.

## **TLS** Rhetorical Stance Quick Writes #25

Voice: Surprise and/or shock
Audience: A police officer
Purpose: Describe how you were a crime victim.
Form: Police report
Writing Application

## **Greek and Latin Prefixes, Roots, and Suffixes**

## **Prefixes**

pan

all

Prefixes of negation			
anti	against	antidote	
im	not	impossible	
of	against	offense	
op	against	oppose	
ult	beyond	ultimate	
of position			
acro	high	acrobat	
alle	other	parallel	
as	toward	aspect	
cata	down	catacomb	
infra	beneath	infrared	
retro	backward	retrospect	
se	apart	separate	
of size or nur	nber		
cent	hundred	centigram	
magn	great	magnificent	
milli	thousand	millimeter	
mini	small	miniature	
omni	all	omnivore	
oct	eight	octopus	

panoramic

## **Semantic Spectrums**

Model

Words have both *denotative* meanings, such as the dictionary definition, and *connotative* meanings, such as the shades of meaning between similar definitions. Brainstorming the connotative meanings of words with similar definitions can help develop a deeper understanding of exactly what a word means and how it is used.

**Directions:** Follow the model and example below to complete the spectrum, placing the vocabulary word that is assigned by your teacher in the appropriate location. Try to keep the same parts of speech as the vocabulary word for most of your words.

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## **TLS** Diagnostic Grammar and Usage Assessment Mastery Matrix

**Directions:** Record any un-mastered grammar skills with a / in the appropriate column for each student.

Assessment Categories -	Pronouns Subject										rative		acii s		Verb Tense/Mood/Voice							
5						Agree				Modi	fiers											
<b>GUM Worksheets</b>	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40		
Teacher Class Student Names	Subject (Nominative) Case	ct Case	Pronoun-Antecedents	Pronoun Pests	Pronoun-Base Form Verb Agreement	Pronoun-Present Participle Agreement	Pronoun-Past Tense Verb Agreement	Pronoun-Past Participle Agreement	Short Comparative Modifiers	Short Superlative Modifiers	4)	Long Superlative Modifiers	Present Tense Verbs	Present Perfect Tense Verbs	Past Tense Verbs	Past Perfect Tense Verhs	Future Tense Verbs	Future Perfect Verbs	Mood	Voice		
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## **TLS** Diagnostic Spelling Assessment Mastery Matrix

**Directions:** Record any un-mastered spelling patterns with a / in the appropriate column for each student.

Sound-Spellings:	oo Sound				oo Sound ow Sound oi Sound								ound		r-controlled Vowels						Hard/Soft $c$ and $g$			
as in the word:	rooster				woodpecker cow					i	hawk										juicy			
Spelling Pattern Worksheet #s	42			45	46	47	48	49	50		52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	
Teacher																								
Student Names	00	-ne	n	_ew	00	$\mathbf{p}_{\parallel}^{\parallel}$	w	_no	oi_	oy	aw	an	al	all	ur	er	ir	ar	or	Hard $c$	Soft c	Hard g	Soft g	
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