

TEACHING GRAMMAR AND MECHANICS

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**ASSESSMENT
AND PRACTICE**



**COMPREHENSIVE
GRAMMAR AND
MECHANICS
PROGRAM**



CCSS L.1 Grammar and Usage Scope and Sequence

	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
1	Proper Nouns	Proper Nouns	Proper Nouns	Proper Nouns	Proper Nouns and Common Nouns
2	Proper Nouns	Common Nouns	Common Nouns	Common Nouns	Personal Pronouns
3	Plural Nouns and Irregular Plurals	Plural Nouns and Irregular Plurals	Verbs	Verbs	Subject (Nominative) Case Pronouns
4	Verbs	Verbs	Verb Tense	Verb Tense	Object Case Pronouns
5	Verb Tense	Verb Tense	Subject Case Pronouns	Subject Case Pronouns	Possessive Pronouns
6	Simple Subjects	Simple and Compound Subjects	Object Case Pronouns	Object Case Pronouns	Adjectives
7	Simple Predicates	Simple and Compound Predicates	Possessive Case Pronouns	Possessive Case Pronouns	Verbs *Subject-verb Agreement
8	Direct Objects	Direct Objects	Adjectives	Adjectives	Adverbs
9	*Complete Sentences	*Complete Sentences	Demonstrative Adjectives	Demonstrative Adjectives	Coordinating Conjunctions
10	*Fragments, Phrases, and Dependent Clauses	*Fragments as Phrases or Dependent Clauses	Adverbs	Adverbs	Correlative Conjunctions
11	*Run-ons and Independent Clauses	*Run-ons and Independent Clauses	Coordinating Conjunctions	Coordinating Conjunctions	Subordinating Conjunctions
12	Types of Sentences	Types of Sentences	Correlative Conjunctions	Correlative Conjunctions	*Prepositional Phrases
13	Collective Nouns	Collective Nouns	Subordinating Conjunctions	Subordinating Conjunctions	Subjects and Predicates
14	Personal Pronouns	Subject Case Pronouns	*Prepositional Phrases	*Prepositional Phrases	Direct and Indirect Objects
15	Possessive Pronouns	Object Case Pronouns	Subjects	Subjects and Predicates	Phrases and Clauses
16	Indefinite Singular Pronouns	Possessive Case Pronouns	Predicates	Direct Objects	*Fragments, Interjections, and Run-ons
17	Indefinite Plural Pronouns	Indefinite Pronouns	Direct objects	Indirect Objects	Sentence Forms: Simple, Compound, Complex, and Compound-complex
18	Reflexive Pronouns	Reflexive Pronouns	Phrases and Clauses	Phrases and Clauses	Types of Sentences

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19	*Pronoun Antecedents	Intensive Pronouns	*Fragments and Complete Sentences	*Fragments, Interjections, and Run-ons	*Noun Phrases
20	Articles	*Pronoun Antecedents	*Run-ons and Complete Sentences	Sentence Forms: Simple, Compound, and Complex	*Noun Clauses
21	Which One? Adjectives	Articles	Sentence Forms: Simple, Compound, and Complex	Compound-complex Sentences	Gerunds
22	How Many? Adjectives	Adjectives	Types of Sentences	Types of Sentences	Gerund Phrases
23	What Kind? Adjectives	Adjective Order	* Noun Phrases	*Noun Phrases	Reflexive, Intensive, and Reciprocal Pronouns
24	Adjective Order	Demonstrative Adjectives	Indefinite Pronouns	* Noun Clauses	Indefinite Pronouns
25	Short Comparative Modifiers	Past Participle Adjectives	Interrogative Pronouns	Indefinite Pronouns	*Pronoun Antecedents
26	Long Comparative Modifiers	Short Comparative Modifiers	Reciprocal Pronouns	Interrogative Pronouns	*Pronoun Number and Person Shifts
27	Short Superlative Modifiers	Long Comparative Modifiers	Demonstrative Pronouns	Demonstrative Pronouns	*Vague Pronoun References and Demonstrative Pronouns
28	Long Superlative Modifiers	Short Superlative Modifiers	Reflexive Pronouns	Reflexive Pronouns	Nonrestrictive *Adjective Clauses and Relative Pronouns
29	Past Verb Tense	Long Superlative Modifiers	Intensive Pronouns	Intensive Pronouns	Restrictive *Adjective Clauses and Relative Pronouns
30	Present Verb Tense	Past, Present, and Future Verb Tense	*Pronoun Antecedents	Nonrestrictive Clauses and Relative Pronouns	Predicate Adjectives and *Adjectival Phrases
31	Future Verb Tense	Verb Tense and Time	* Pronoun Number and Person Shifts	Restrictive Clauses	Past Participles

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32	Helping Verbs	Verb Tense and Sequence	*Vague Pronoun References	Reciprocal Pronouns	Past Participial Phrases
33	Past Participle Verbs	Verb Tense and State of Being	*Adjectival Phrases	*Pronoun Antecedents	Present Participles
34	Irregular Past Participles	Verb Tense and Condition	*Adjectival Clauses and Relative Pronouns	*Pronoun Number and Person Shifts	Present Participial Phrases
35	Linking Verbs	*Shifts in Verb Tense	Short Comparative Modifiers	*Vague Pronoun References	Comparative Modifiers
36	Modals	Helping Verbs	Long Comparative Modifiers	*Adjectival Phrases	Superlative Modifiers
37	*Singular subject-verb agreement	Past Participle Verbs	Short Superlative Modifiers	Predicate Adjectives	*Misplaced Modifiers
38	*Plural subject-verb agreement	Irregular Past Participles	Long Superlative Modifiers	Short Comparative Modifiers	*Dangling Modifiers
39	Past Progressive Verb Tense	Linking Verbs	*Verb Phrases	Long Comparative Modifiers	* Squinting Modifiers
40	Present Progressive Verb Tense	Modals	Progressive Verb Tense	Short Superlative Modifiers	*Verb Phrases
41	Future Progressive Verb Tense	*Singular Subject-Verb agreement	Perfect Verb Tense	Long Superlative Modifiers	*Shifts in Verb Tense
42	What Degree? Adverbs	*Plural Subject-Verb agreement	*Adverbial Clauses	*Misplaced Modifiers	Progressive Verb Tense
43	How? Adverbs	Progressive Verb Tense	*Singular Subject-Verb Agreement	*Dangling Modifiers	Perfect Verb Tense
44	When? Adverbs	Past Perfect Verb Forms	*Plural subject-verb agreement	*Verb Phrases	Infinitives
45	Where? Adverbs	Present Perfect Verb Forms	*Shifts in Verb Tense	*Singular Subject-Verb Agreement	Indicative Mood
46	Adverb Order	Future Perfect Verb Forms	*Non-standard English Contractions: ain't and han't	*Plural Subject-Verb Agreement	Imperative Mood

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47	Complex Sentences/ Dependent Clauses	Adverbs	*Non-standard English Negation	*Shifts in Verb Tense	Interrogative Mood
48	Subordinating Conjunctions	Adverb Order	*Non-standard English for the Continuous “to be” and “do or don’t be”	Progressive Verb Tense	Conditional Mood
49	Coordinating Conjunctions as Joining Words	Coordinating Conjunctions and their Functions	*Non-standard English Was and Were-Leveling	Perfect Verb Tense	Subjunctive Mood
50	Coordinating Conjunctions with Compound Subjects and Predicates	Correlative Conjunctions and their Functions	*Non-standard English Pronoun Usage	*Adverbial Clauses	Verb Voice and Mood Shifts
51	Coordinating Conjunctions with Compound Sentences	Prepositional Phrases	*Non-standard English Third Person Subject-Verb Agreement	Adverb Order	Subordinating Conjunctions and *Adverbial Clauses
52	Prepositional Phrases: Relationships	Complex Sentences/ Dependent Clauses	*Non-standard English Deletions	*Non-standard English Deletions	Relative Adverbs and *Adverbial Clauses
53	Prepositional Phrases: Location	Subordinating Conjunctions	*Non-standard English Substitutions and Additions	*Non-standard English Additions	Adverb Order
54	Prepositional Phrases: Time	Relative Pronouns	*Non-standard English Substitutions of the Past Participle Verb Form	*Non-standard English Substitutions	*Non-standard English Deletions
55	Relative Pronouns	Relative Adverbs	*Non-standard English Misuse of the Past Progressive Verb Tense	*Non-standard English Commonly Misused Words	*Non-standard English Additions
56	Relative Adverbs	Interjections and their Functions	*Non-standard English Commonly Misused Words	*Non-standard English Commonly Misused Words	*Non-standard English Substitutions

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CCSS L.2 Mechanics Scope and Sequence

	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade	Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
1	Periods in Proper Noun Titles	Periods in Proper Noun Titles	Periods in Proper Noun Titles	Periods in Time	Periods in Latin Expressions
2	Periods to End Statements and Commands	Periods in Abbreviations, and Acronyms	Periods in Names, Abbreviations, and Acronyms	Periods in Names, Abbreviations, and Acronyms	Periods in Names, Abbreviations, and Acronyms
3	Periods for Abbreviations	Periods in Indirect Questions	Periods in Indirect Questions and Intentional Fragments	Periods in Indirect Questions and Intentional Fragments	Periods in Indirect Questions and Intentional Fragments
4	Periods for Acronyms	Periods in Alphanumeric Outlines	Numbers, Letters, and Periods in Alphanumeric Outlines	Periods in Alphanumeric Outlines	Periods in Decimal Outlines
5	Periods in Roman Numeral Outlines	Semicolons in Compound Sentences	Semicolons in Compound Sentences	Semicolons with Phrases	Semicolons with Conjunctions
6	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Proper Nouns	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Nouns
7	Apostrophes for Singular Possessive Common Nouns	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Nouns	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Nouns
8	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Proper Nouns	Apostrophes for Possessive Compound Nouns	Apostrophes for Possessive Compound Subjects and Objects	Apostrophes for Possessive Compound Subjects and Objects	Apostrophes for Possessive in Singular and Plural Compound Nouns and in Compound Subjects and Objects
9	Apostrophes for Plural Possessive Common Nouns	Apostrophes in Contractions	Apostrophes in Contractions	Apostrophes in Contractions	Apostrophes in Contractions
10	Comma Misuse	Comma Misuse	Comma Misuse	Comma Misuse	Comma Misuse
11	Apostrophes for Middle Contractions	Commas for Dates	Commas for Dates	Commas for Dates	Commas for Dates
12	Apostrophes for Beginning Contractions	Commas for Letters	Commas for Letters	Commas and Colons for Letters	Commas for Letters
13	Apostrophes for Ending Contractions	Commas in Addresses	Commas in Addresses	Commas in Addresses	Commas in Addresses
14	Commas for Dates	Commas for Names	Commas for Names	Commas for Names	Commas for Names

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15	Commas for Geographical Places	Commas for Geographical Places	Commas for Geographical Places	Commas for Geographical Places	Commas for Geographical Places
16	Commas for Letters	Commas for Tag Questions	Commas for Tag Questions	Commas for Tag Questions	Commas for Tag Questions
17	Commas in Addresses	Commas for Beginning Direct Speech	Commas for Beginning Direct Speech	Commas for Beginning Direct Speech	Commas for Direct Speech
18	Commas for Names	Commas for Ending Direct Speech	Commas for Ending Direct Speech	Commas for Ending Direct Speech	Commas in a Series
19	Commas between Adjectives	Commas for Middle Direct Speech	Commas for Middle Direct Speech	Commas for Middle Direct Speech	Commas after Introductory Words and Phrases
20	Commas and Quotation Marks with Beginning Speaker Tags and Dialogue	Commas in a Series	Commas in a Series	Commas in a Series	Commas after Introductory Clauses
21	Commas and Quotation Marks with Ending Speaker Tags and Dialogue	Commas after Introductory Words and Phrases	Commas after Introductory Words and Phrases	Commas after Introductory Words and Phrases	Commas and Quotation Marks with Speaker Tags
22	Commas and Quotation Marks with Middle Speaker Tags and Dialogue	Commas with Adjectives	Commas after Introductory Clauses	Commas after Introductory Clauses	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences
23	Dialogue and Direct Quotations	Commas to Set off “Yes” and “No”	Commas to Set off Interjections	Commas to Set off Interjections	Commas in Complex Sentences
24	Punctuation of Direct Quotations	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences	Commas and Quotation Marks with Speaker Tags	Commas and Quotation Marks with Speaker Tags	Commas with Parenthetical Expressions
25	In-text Citations	Commas with Phrases	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences	Commas with Coordinate Adjectives
26	Indirect Quotations	Commas with Dependent Clauses	Commas with Phrases in a Series	Commas with Phrases in a Series	Commas with Hierarchical Adjectives
27	Capitalization of Named People	Commas and Quotation Marks with Speaker Tags	Commas in Complex Sentences	Commas in Complex Sentences	Punctuation with Appositives

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28	Capitalization of Named Places	Dialogue and Direct Quotations	Commas with Adjectives	Commas with Coordinate Adjectives	Commas with Nonrestrictive Clauses
29	Capitalization of Named Things	Punctuation of Direct Quotations	Punctuation in Nonrestrictive Clauses	Commas with Hierarchical Adjectives	Punctuation in Restrictive Clauses
30	Capitalization of Products	In-text Citations	Punctuation in Restrictive Clauses	Commas with Nonrestrictive Clauses	Dialogue and Direct Quotations
31	Capitalization of Holidays	Indirect Quotations	Dialogue and Direct Quotations	Punctuation in Restrictive Clauses	Punctuation of Direct Quotations
32	Capitalization of Dates and Special Days	Italics and Underlining: Book, Newspaper, Website, and Magazine Titles	Punctuation of Direct Quotations	Dialogue and Direct Quotations	Ellipsis
33	Capitalization of Titles	Italics and Underlining: Play, Television Show, Movie, and Works of Art Titles	In-text Citations and Indirect Quotations	Punctuation of Direct Quotations	Quotations within Quotations
34	Capitalization of Organizations	Quotation Marks: Song and Poem Titles	Italics and Underlining: Book, Website, Newspaper, and Magazine Titles	In-text Citations and Indirect Quotations	Punctuation of Non-standard Usage Quotations
35	Capitalization of Businesses	Quotation Marks: Book Chapter and Article Titles	Italics and Underlining: Play, Television Show, Movie, and Works of Art Titles	Quotations within Quotations	In-text Citations and Indirect Quotations
36	Capitalization of Languages	Quotation Marks: Short Story and Document Titles	Quotation Marks: Song and Poem Titles	MLA Works Cited Page	MLA Works Cited Page
37	Capitalization of People Groups	Capitalization of Named People and Places	Quotation Marks: Book Chapter Titles	Italics and Underlining: Book, Website, Newspaper, and Magazine Titles	Italics and Underlining: Book, Website, Newspaper, and Magazine Titles
38	Capitalization of Dialogue and Direct Quotations	Capitalization of Named Things and Products	Quotation Marks: Newspaper, Magazine, and Blog Article Titles	Italics and Underlining: Play, Television Show, Movie, and Works of Art Titles	Italics and Underlining: Play, Television Show, Movie, and Works of Art Titles

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39	Capitalization of Independent Clauses	Capitalization of Holidays	Quotation Marks: Short Story and Document Titles	Quotation Marks: Song, Poem, and Book Chapter Titles	Quotation Marks: Song, Poem, and Book Chapter Titles
40	Capitalization of Special Events	Capitalization of Dates and Special Days	Capitalization of Named People and Characters	Quotation Marks: Newspaper, Magazine, and Blog Article Titles	Quotation Marks: Newspaper, Magazine, and Blog Article Titles
41	Capitalization of Historical Periods	Capitalization of Titles	Capitalization of Named Places	Quotation Marks: Short Story and Document Titles	Quotation Marks: Short Story and Document Titles
42	Question Marks	Capitalization of Organizations and Businesses	Capitalization of Named Things and Products	Capitalization of Named People and Places	Capitalization of Named People, Places, Things, and Products
43	Exclamation Points	Capitalization of Languages	Capitalization of Holidays and Dates	Capitalization of Named Things and Products	Capitalization of Named Things and Products
44	Colons in Business Letters	Capitalization of People Groups	Capitalization of Titles	Capitalization of Holidays and Dates	Capitalization of Holidays and Dates
45	Commas with Beginning Phrases	Capitalization of Independent Clauses	Capitalization of Organizations and Businesses	Capitalization of Special Events and Historical Periods	Capitalization of Special Events and Historical Periods
46	Commas with Ending Phrases	Capitalization of Special Events and Historical Periods	Capitalization of Languages and People Groups	Capitalization of Organizations and Businesses	Capitalization of Organizations and Businesses
47	Commas with Beginning Dependent Clauses	Question Marks	Capitalization of Special Events and Historical Periods	Capitalization of Languages and People Groups	Capitalization of Languages, Dialects , and People Groups
48	Commas with Middle and Ending Dependent Clauses	Exclamation Points	Question Marks	Question Marks	Question Marks
49	Hyphens with Compound Words	Colons to Introduce Lists	Exclamation Points	Exclamation Points	Exclamation Points
50	Dashes	Parentheses as Comments and Appositives	Colons in Titles, Numbers, and Ratios	Colons to Show Relationships between Clauses and Sentences	Colons to Introduce Long Block Quotations

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51	Brackets	Dashes	Parentheses with Numbers and Letters	Parentheses with Complete Sentences	Parentheses with Complete Sentences
52	Commas before Conjunctions in Compound Sentences	Brackets	Dashes with Dates, Times, and Numbers	Dashes to Indicate Relationships	Dashes to Indicate Relationships
53	Parentheses as Comments	Hyphens with Compound Words	Brackets	Brackets	Brackets
54	Parentheses as Appositives	Hyphens with Numbers and Spelled-out Fractions	Hyphens and Compound Adjectives	Hyphens and Compound Adverbs	Hyphens and Compound Adverbs
55	Slashes	Slashes	Slashes	Slashes	Slashes
56	Numbers	Numbers	Numbers	Numbers	Numbers

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Robin Moore

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Students annotate the full text of the lesson on accompanying student worksheets (included in the program). The worksheets include a practice section, a simple sentence diagram, a mentor text which applies the grammatical lesson focus, and a brief writing application. Students complete two sentence dictation formative assessments and then self-correct from the projected display.

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Teacher Prep and Training

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