

Evan-Moor's *Daily Paragraph Editing* helps students improve their writing by providing focused, daily practice of key skills for every day of a 36-week school year.

#### **Skills coverage includes:**

- capitalization
- punctuation
- spelling
- language usage
- writing in a variety of forms

#### **Materials for teachers include:**

- suggestions for use
- scope and sequence charts
- an evaluation rubric for student writing
- full-sized annotated Editing Key pages
- a summary of skills to teach or review with each lesson

#### **Materials for students include:**

- reproducible writer's reference pages with proofreading marks and an editing checklist
- a reproducible student Language Handbook with usage and mechanics rules and examples for student reference
- paragraphs with errors to correct (for Monday through Thursday lessons)
- writing prompts for application of skills practiced during the week (for Friday lessons)



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## Introduction to Daily Paragraph Editing

#### Why Daily Paragraph Editing?

Daily Paragraph Editing is designed to help students master and retain grade-level skills in language mechanics and expression through focused, daily practice. Instead of practicing skills in a series of random, decontextualized exercises, Daily Paragraph Editing embeds language skills in paragraphs that represent the types of text that students encounter in their daily reading and writing activities across the curriculum. A weekly writing activity allows students to apply the skills they have been practicing throughout the week in their own short compositions.

#### What's in Daily Paragraph Editing?

Daily Paragraph Editing contains lessons for 36 weeks, with a separate lesson for each day.

Each week's lessons for Monday through Thursday consist of individual reproducible paragraphs that contain errors in the following skills:

- capitalization
- punctuation
- spelling

lesson identifiers

language usage, and more

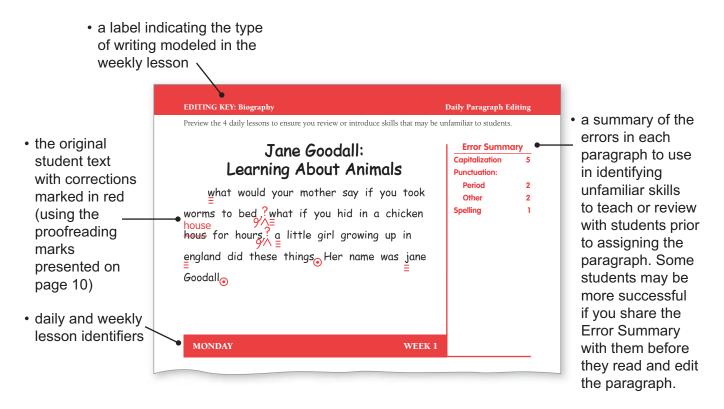
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#### Student's daily lesson pages for Monday through Thursday include:

of writing modeled in the weekly lesson BIOGRAPHY: Jane Goodall: Learning About Animals Daily Paragraph Editing as needed, the Jane Goodall: "Watch For" logo Learning About Animals alerts students to a paragraph with · names of people and places more challenging what would your mother say if you took errors for students question marks skills to address to correct; along worms to bed, what if you hid in a chicken in the paragraph with the other hous for hours, a little girl growing up in 3 paragraphs for england did these things Her name was jane the week, this forms a complete Goodall composition MONDAY WEEK I · daily and weekly

Students correct the errors in each daily paragraph by marking directly on the page. A reproducible sheet of Proofreading Marks (see page 10) helps familiarize students with the standard form for marking corrections on written text. Full-page Editing Keys show corrections for all errors in the daily paragraphs. Error Summaries help teachers identify the targeted skills in each week's lessons, and therefore help teachers plan to review or introduce the specific skills needed by their students.

#### Teacher's full-sized annotated Editing Key pages include:



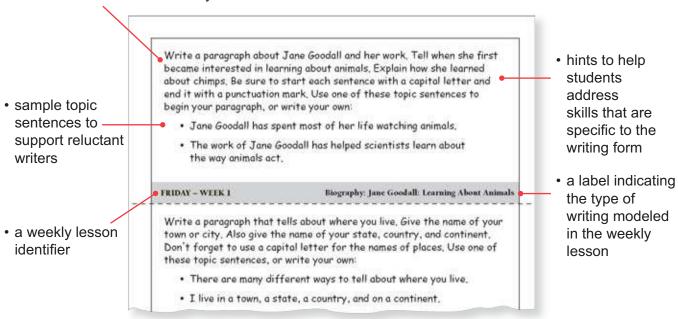
When corrected and read together, the four paragraphs for one week's lesson form a cohesive composition that also serves as a writing model for students. The weekly four-paragraph compositions cover a broad range of expository and narrative writing forms from across the curriculum, including the following:

- nonfiction texts on grade-level topics in social studies and science
- biographies, book reviews, editorials, instructions, interviews, journal entries, and letters
- fables, fantasy and science fiction, historical fiction, personal narratives, and realistic fiction

Each Friday lesson consists of a writing prompt that directs students to write in response to the week's four-paragraph composition. This gives students the opportunity to apply the skills they have practiced during the week in their own writing. Students gain experience writing in a wide variety of forms, always with the support of familiar models.

#### Friday writing prompts include:

 a prompt to write a composition in the same form as modeled in the weekly lesson



An Editing Checklist for students (see page 11) helps them revise their own writing or critique their peers' efforts. An Assessment Rubric (see page 9) is provided to help you assess student writing.

A reproducible student Language Handbook (pages 168–176) outlines the usage and mechanics rules for students to follow in editing the daily paragraphs. The Handbook includes examples to help familiarize students with how the conventions of language and mechanics are applied in authentic writing.

## How to Use Daily Paragraph Editing

You may use *Daily Paragraph Editing* in several ways, depending on your instructional objectives and your students' needs. Over time, you will probably want to introduce each of the presentation strategies outlined below so you can identify the approach that works best for you and your students.

The four paragraphs that comprise each week's editing lessons include a set of errors that are repeated throughout all four paragraphs. We recommend that you provide a folder for students to keep their *Daily Paragraph Editing* reference materials and weekly lessons. It will work best to reproduce and distribute all four daily paragraphs for a given week on Monday. That way, students can use the previous days' lessons for reference as the week progresses.

#### **Directed Group Lessons**

Daily Paragraph Editing activities will be most successful if you first introduce them as a group activity. You might also have students edit individual copies of the day's lesson as you work through the paragraph with the group. Continue presenting the Monday through Thursday lessons to the entire class until you are confident that students are familiar with the editing process. Try any of the following methods to direct group lessons:

#### Option 1

- 1. Create and display an overhead transparency of the day's paragraph.
- 2. Read the paragraph aloud just as it is written, including all the errors.
- 3. Read the paragraph a second time, using phrasing and intonation that would be appropriate if all end punctuation were correct. (You may find it helpful to read from the Editing Key.) Read all other errors as they appear in the text.
- 4. Guide students in correcting all end punctuation and initial capitals in the paragraph; mark corrections in erasable pen on the overhead transparency.
- 5. After the paragraph is correctly divided into sentences, review it one sentence at a time. Have volunteers point out errors as you come to them, and identify the necessary corrections. Encourage students to explain the reason for each correction; explain or clarify any rules that are unfamiliar.

#### **Option 2**

Follow Steps 1–4 on page 4, and then work with students to focus on one type of error at a time, correcting all errors of the same type (i.e., capitalization, commas, subject/verb agreement, spelling, etc.) in the paragraph before moving on to another type. Refer to the Error Summary in the Editing Key to help you identify the various types of errors.

#### **Option 3**

Use directed group lesson time to conduct a minilesson on one or more of the skills emphasized in that day's lesson. This is especially appropriate for new or unfamiliar skills, or for skills that are especially challenging or confusing for students. After introducing a specific skill, use the approach outlined in Option 2 to focus on that skill in one or more of the week's daily paragraphs. To provide additional practice, refer to the Skills Scope & Sequence to find other paragraphs that include the same target skill.

#### **Individual Practice**

Once students are familiar with the process for editing the daily paragraphs, they may work on their own or with a partner to make corrections. Be sure students have their Proofreading Marks (see page 10) available to help them mark their corrections. Remind students to refer to the student Language Handbook as needed for guidance in the rules of mechanics and usage. Some students may find it helpful to know at the outset the number and types of errors they are seeking. Provide this information by referring to the Error Summary on the annotated Editing Key pages. You may wish to use a transparency on the overhead to check work with the group. Occasionally, you may wish to assess students' acquisition of skills by collecting and reviewing their work before they check it.

## **Customizing Instruction**

Some of the skills covered in *Daily Paragraph Editing* may not be part of the grade-level expectancies in the language program you use. Some skills may even be taught differently in your program from the way they are modeled in *Daily Paragraph Editing*. In such cases, follow the approach used in your program. Simply revise the paragraph text as needed by covering it with correction fluid or by writing in changes before you reproduce copies for students.

Comma usage is an area where discrepancies are most likely to arise. *Daily Paragraph Editing* uses the "closed" style, where commas are included after short introductory phrases. Except for commas used in salutations, closings, dates, and between city and state in letters, journals, or news articles, all commas that appear in the daily paragraphs have been correctly placed according to the closed style. All other skills related to the use of commas are practiced by requiring students to insert missing commas, rather than moving or deleting extraneous commas.

Occasionally, you or your students may make a correction that differs from that shown in the Editing Key. The decision to use an exclamation mark instead of a period, or a period instead of a semicolon, is often a subjective decision made by individual writers. When discrepancies of this sort arise, capitalize on the "teachable moment" to let students know that there are gray areas in English usage and mechanics, and discuss how each of the possible correct choices can affect the meaning or tone of the writing.

You may wish to have your students mark corrections on the daily paragraphs in a manner that differs from the common proofreading marks on page 10. If so, model the marking style you wish students to follow as you conduct group lessons on an overhead, and point out any differences between the standard proofing marks and those to be used by your students.

#### **Using the Writing Prompts**

Have students keep their daily paragraphs in a folder so they can review the week's four corrected paragraphs on Friday. Identify the type of writing modeled in the four-paragraph composition and any of its special features (e.g., dialog in a fictional narrative; salutation, closing, and paragraph style in a letter; opinion statements and supporting arguments in an editorial; etc.).

Present the Friday writing prompt on an overhead transparency, write it on the board, or distribute individual copies to students. Take a few minutes to brainstorm ideas with the group and to focus on language skills that students will need to address in their writing.

After students complete their writing, encourage them to use the Editing Checklist to review or revise their work. You may also wish to have partners review each other's writing. To conduct a more formal assessment of students' writing, use the Assessment Rubric on page 9.

If you assign paragraph writing for homework, be sure students have the week's four corrected paragraphs available as a reference. You may wish to set aside some time for volunteers to read their completed writing to the class, or display compositions on a weekly writing bulletin board for students to enjoy.

**Skills Scope and Sequence** 

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#### **Assessment Rubric for Evaluating Friday Paragraph Writing**

The Friday writing prompts give students the opportunity to use the capitalization, punctuation, and other usage and mechanics skills that have been practiced during the week's editing tasks. They also require students to write in a variety of different forms and genres.

In evaluating students' Friday paragraphs, you may wish to focus exclusively on their mastery of the aspects of mechanics and usage targeted that week. However, if you wish to conduct a more global assessment of student writing, the following rubric offers broad guidelines for evaluating the composition as a whole.

## **Characteristics of Student Writing**

	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	WEAK
Clarity and Focus	Writing is exceptionally clear, focused, and interesting.	Writing is generally clear, focused, and interesting.	Writing is loosely focused on the topic.	Writing is unclear and unfocused.
Development of Main Ideas	Main ideas are clear, specific, and well-developed.	Main ideas are identifiable, but may be somewhat general.	Main ideas are overly broad or simplistic.	Main ideas are unclear or not expressed.
Organization	Organization is clear (beginning, middle, and end) and fits the topic and writing form.	Organization is clear, but may be predictable or formulaic.	Organization is attempted, but is often unclear.	Organization is not coherent.
Use of Details	Details are relevant, specific, and well-placed.	Details are relevant, but may be overly general.	Details may be off-topic, predictable, or not specific enough.	Details are absent or insufficient to support main ideas.
Vocabulary	Vocabulary is exceptionally rich, varied, and well-chosen.	Vocabulary is colorful and generally avoids clichés.	Vocabulary is ordinary and may rely on clichés.	Vocabulary is limited, general, or vague.
Mechanics and Usage	Demonstrates exceptionally strong command of conventions of punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and usage.	Demonstrates control of conventions of punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and usage.	Errors in use of conventions of mechanics and usage distract, but do not impede, the reader.	Limited ability to control conventions of mechanics and usage impairs readability of the composition.

# **Proofreading Marks**

Use these marks to show corrections.

Mark	Meaning	Example
9'	Take this out (delete).	I love <del>%</del> to read.
•	Add a period.	It was late⊙
≡	Make this a capital letter.	First prize went to maria.
/	Make this a lowercase letter.	We saw a Black Lat.
	Fix the spelling.	house This is our <del>hause</del> .
٨	Add a comma.	Goodnight Mom.
*	Add an apostrophe.	That's Lil's bike.
<b>"</b> "	Add quotation marks.	Come in, he said.
\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	Add an exclamation point or a question mark.	Help Can you help me?
^	Add a word.	The pen is mine.
	Underline the words.	We read <u>Old Yeller</u> .

## **Editing Checklist**

Use this checklist to review and revise your writing:

Does each sentence begin with a capital letter?
Do names of people and places begin with a capital letter?
Does each sentence end with a period, a question mark, or an exclamation point?
Did I use apostrophes to show possession ( <i>Ana's desk</i> ) and in contractions ( <i>isn't</i> )?
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Preview the 4 daily lessons to ensure you review or introduce skills that may be unfamiliar to students.

# Jane Goodall: Learning About Animals

what would your mother say if you took worms to bed what if you hid in a chicken house for hours a little girl growing up in england did these things. Her name was jane Goodall.

## **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 2
Other 2

**Spelling** 

MONDAY WEEK 1

jane goodall always loved animals she slept with a toy chimpanzee when she was a baby. When Wen she was two, she hid earthworms under her pillow she wanted to see what they did at night. When she was four, she hid in a chicken house until she saw a chicken lay an egg.

### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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• names of people

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## **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

### WEDNESDAY WEEK 1

jane goodall watched chimpanzees for many years she saw baby chimps grow up and start families of their own. She knew each chimp when she saw it jane helped scientists learn more about the way animals behave by watching chimps for many years.

## **Error Summary**

Capitalization 4
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

Name \_\_\_\_

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# Places on Earth

We live on a planet covered with land and water. You can only see a small part of our planet when you use your eyes to look around you. Maps, globes, and pictures can help you to see other places on Earth. Can you see where your home is on a map of Earth?

#### **Error Summary**

**Punctuation** 

Comma 2 Other 1

Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 2

There are many ways, to tell someone about where you live. You can tell someone town the name of your town. you might live in a big city like San francisco. Your city is also in a state. if you live in san Francisco, then you also live in the state of california.

### **Error Summary**

Capitalization

**Punctuation:** 

Period 2

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Spelling

Name.

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• names of places

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Many stats together form a country.

California is in the country called the United states of America. Canada and mexico are also countries. They are America's neighbors. These three countries are each part of one big piece of land. It is called a continent.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Period 1
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 2

There

Their are seven continents on Earth. The united states of America is located on the continent of North America. Earth's six other continents are Africa, antarctica, Asia, australia, Europe, and South america. The rest of Earth is covered by water.

### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 2
Spelling 1

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# A Strong Heart

exercise is good for your bodie. there are many ways to exercise. You can exercise indoors or outside you can exercise with your friends when you play tag, soccer, or basketball. You can exercise by yourself when you ride your bike jump rope or swim laps.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3
Punctuation:
Comma 2
Period 2
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 3

as you read this, try to feel your heart
beating. put your pointer and middle fingers on
your jawbone near your ear. run your fingers
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will feel a littel push each time your heart
beats
beats
Count the beets for 15 seconds

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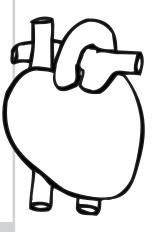
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How many times did you feel your heart beat? it should beat about once every second. When you finish reading this, stand up Jump up and down for won minute. then count your heartbeats for 15 seconds. what do you think will happen to the number of beats?

### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3
Punctuation:
Period 2
Other 2
Spelling 1

### WEDNESDAY WEEK 3

when you exercise, your heart beats faster.

Your hart is a muscle when it beats faster,

it gets stronger. It even grows a little! you

should exercise at least three days each week

for 20 to 30 minutes at a time. get up and do

something make your heart stronger!

## **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 2
Spelling 1

Name

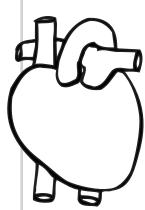
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question marks

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# My Kite

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Apostrophe 4

Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 4

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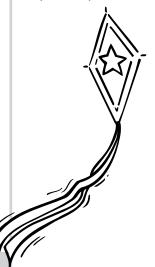
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Capitalization 4
Punctuation:
Comma 2
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#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 4

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Punctuation:	
Period	Ц
Other	•
Spelling	1

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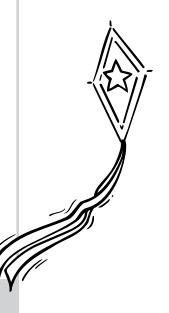
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exclamation points



**THURSDAY** 

WEEK 4

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# Life in a Castle

Long ago in Europe, kings and nobles lived in castles. nobles were rich and powerful. The their castles helped keep them safe from there enemies. Some castles were near water. Others were high on a mountain. from there, a guard could see a enemy coming.

# Capitalization 2 Language Usage 1 Punctuation:

**Error Summary** 

Period 2
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 5

Most castles had a great hall where the parties noble family ate and had partys. There were also kitchens, bedrooms, and a chapel. Many people peoples worked in the castle. horses, chickens kept pigs, and many other animals were also keeped there.

## **Error Summary**

Capitalization 1
Language Usage 1
Punctuation:
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Spelling 2

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#### wish

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### **Error Summary**

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Capitalization	1
Language Usage	2
Punctuation:	
<b>Apostrophe</b>	1
Comma	1
Period	2
Spelling	1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 5

## castles

Many castle still stand in europe. You can go there and visit some of them. It's fun to life imagine what castle live was like. You can think about the rich nobles who lived there. You can also think about what things you might like about living in a castle.

### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	
Language Usage	1
Punctuation:	
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Period	3
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### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 7
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 2
Period 1
Other 1

MONDAY WEEK 6

Where does all the snow come from? It comes from clouds? Clouds are made of tiny drops of water. When these drops of water freeze, snowflakes form the snowflakes get bigger and heavier. Then they fall to the ground.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization

Other

Punctuation:
Period 4

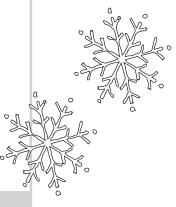
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:
Comma 4

Period 1

Spelling 1

### WEDNESDAY WEEK 6

Snowflakes have six sides. Most snowflakes are flat. No too look just alike. If it snows where you live, catch two snowflakes on a piece paper of black papper. Look at them, before they melt. Can you count the six sides? Can you find two snowflakes that look alike?

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**Punctuation:** 

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Other 2
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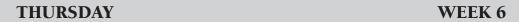
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Error Summary	
Capitalization	1
<b>Punctuation:</b>	
Apostrophe	1
Period	4
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 7

Beavers can close off their nose ears, and throat to keep water out. they have see-through eyelids so they can see underwater. Beavers flat tails and webbed back feet help them steer and swim in the water. There large front teeth can cut down trees.

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use the mud to fill in the spaces. Between
the branches.

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Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 7

Water gathers behind the dam, and makes a pond. The beavers build their home in the pond. The beavers home looks like a big pile of sticks on the outside it is hollow inside. There is a ledge above the water where the beavers Their can sleep. There door is underwater.

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Capitalization 1
Punctuation:
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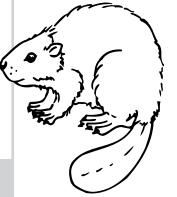
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Apostrophe 1

Period 2

Quotation Mark 1

Other 2

MONDAY WEEK 8

Something had been knocked over In the backyard. "I think I know what it is," Dad said. He grabbed a flashlight and hurried out the back door. I was right," said dad as he shined the light on a raccoon. it was standing by the overturned garbage can

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Period 2

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**Quotation Mark** 

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Raccoons are wild animals," dad said. "they come into town trying to find food. They use their paws like hands. they can even take the lid off the garbage can to look for food."

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 4
Punctuation:

**Quotation Mark 3** 

WEDNESDAY WEEK 8

As jamal helped clean up the mess, dad told him more about raccoons. "they look cute, but they can be dangerous," he said. "never feed one or try to pet it. We'll put hooks on the garbage can lid. That should keep him out. sleep."

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	5
Language Usage	1
Punctuation:	
Comma	1
Period	2
Quotation Mark	1

MONDAY WEEK 9

I got home from school at 300 this afternoon. As usual, max came running to greet running me. He had mud from the top of his hed to head the tip of his tail. I said, max, you are a mess. Max's tail stopped wagging? because he knew he was in trouble. I said, Max, you need a bath."

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## Capitalization 5 Punctuation:

**Error Summary** 

Comma 1
Period 1
Quotation Mark 1

Other 1
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 9

I rubbed soap all over max, rinsed it off, and dried him with a towel. I told him you look great. Now stay out of the mud. Max ran off. I put the soap, tub, and hose away. I for looked four max and found him rolling in the mud. I yelled, "max, it's only 430!"

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Here's what the letter said:

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Apostrophe 2

Period 1

Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 10

Dear sarah and Sid,

Please
Pleese take care of my pet goldfish,

oscar, while Im away. Talk to him. he likes it.

See you on friday.

Love,

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 2
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TUESDAY WEEK 10

Uncle wilbur

Name

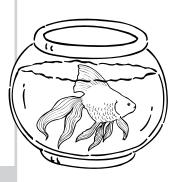
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 1
Quotation Mark 1
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 10

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Ill do it," said Sarah. She slowly lifted off

the lid. She looked in the box. "Eeeeeek!" she

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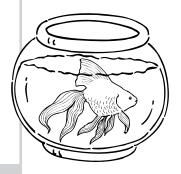
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team

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Apostrophe 1

Comma 1

Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 11

Were about to eat Moms famous chicken stew with plantains. A plantain is a kind of banana I hope I get a chicken foot in my write stew. I also hope you rite soon.

Your Friend, ramon

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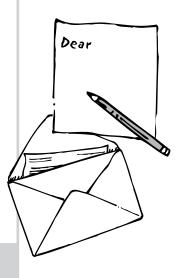
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- names of people and places



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ramon



- commas
- names of people
- apostrophes

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## Dear, Ramon

I liked your letter Did you get a chicken foot in your stew,? My mom makes chicken stew, too. She hasn't ever put in chicken feet. What do they taste like?

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	1
<b>Punctuation:</b>	
<b>Apostrophe</b>	1
Comma	2
Period	1
Other	1
Spelling	1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 11

I'm glad your team win the game I play baseball, too. I'm the pitcher. what's the name team of your teem. My teams name is Lightning.

That's because we're fast!

Your friend

Kevin

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization

Language Usage	
<b>Punctuation:</b>	
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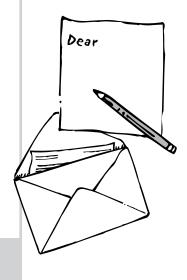
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Capitalization	3
Punctuation:	
<b>Apostrophe</b>	1
Period	1

Other

**Spelling** 

**Error Summary** 

MONDAY WEEK 12

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<b>Error Summary</b>	
apitalization	4
unctuation:	
Apostrophe	1
Period	1
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	2
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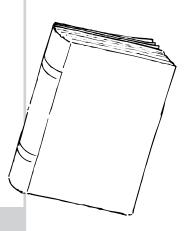
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- titles of poems
- names of people
- exclamation points

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	5
Punctuation:	
Apostrophe	1
Period	2
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	1
Other	1
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#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 12

If you have a pet, make sure you read Fido's fuzzy fur." Has a younger brother or sister ever bitten you? You can laugh about it when you read Ouch? that hurt!" If you enjoy children's poems, try this book. lisa boyd has a big hit with come take a walk.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	C
Punctuation:	
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<b>Quotation Mark</b>	2
Other	2

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## Thanksgiving with Grandmarge

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 3
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 13

Each november, we make a trip to grandmarges house in Topeka, kansas. We usually go right after school at 300 on wednesday. When we get to Grandmarges howse, she throws her arms around me and pulls a piece of candy out of my ear?

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**Capitalization** 

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## Error Summary Capitalization 2 Punctuation: Apostrophe 5 Period 1

**Spelling** 

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 13

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Error Summary	
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Other	3
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 14

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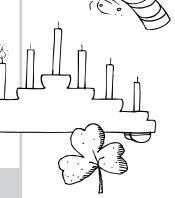
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Capitalization 6
Punctuation:
Comma 1
Period 1
Other

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 14

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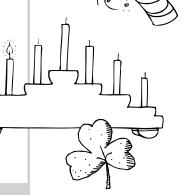
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#### Weed Seeds

candy ran through the weeds in the vacant lot. morris chased after his dog. Come here, candy," he called. candy turned and ran to morris. She waved her bushy tail back and forth through the tall weeds.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5

Punctuation:

Period 1

Quotation Mark 1

MONDAY WEEK 15

Candy, you're tail is a mess. It's full of stickers," morris said to his dog. He saw that his socks we're full of stickers, too. "Let's go home. I'm going to have to pull all these stickers off us," he said to Candy.

#### **Error Summary**

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- dialog
- apostrophes

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 1
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 1
Quotation Mark 3

WEDNESDAY WEEK 15

stickers

The boys took a handful of stikkers.

They scattered them in a big pot of soil they covered the stickers. With more soil. Then they sprinkled them with water. "Now well just have to wait and water," said Jake."

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Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 2
Quotation Mark 2
Spelling 1

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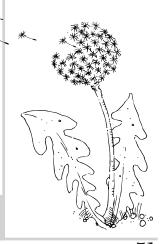
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Comma 2

Period 1

Other 1

MONDAY WEEK 16

Magnets come in different shapes, sizes, and strengths. There are bar magnets, square magnets, and U-shaped magnets. Some magnets are small. Do you have small magnets on your refrigerator? ms netts book says huge magnets can pull things like traine cars.

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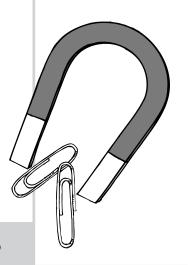
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the lines in the magnetic field

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 16

A magnets force can go through objects.

There is a trick in magnet madness that shows this. use a strong magnet to pick up one paper clip. pick up another paper clip with the end of the first one keep picking up clips. How many clips can you pick up?

#### **Error Summary**

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Capitalization

Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 1
Other 1
Spelling 1

Name \_\_\_\_

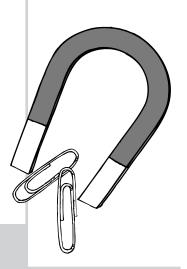
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<b>Error Summary</b>	
Capitalization	2
<b>Punctuation:</b>	
Period	3
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 17

Wheat was one of the crops that  $\underline{\underline{mr}}_{\underline{\underline{o}}}$  washington grew. The kernels of wheat are flour ground to make flower. Getting the kernels off the wheat stalk was a hard  $job_{\underline{o}}\underline{\underline{i}}$  took a lot of time.  $\underline{Mr}_{\underline{o}}$  Washington wanted to make it easier to do this  $\underline{job}$ .

# Error Summary Capitalization 3 Punctuation: Period 3 Spelling 1

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• titles of people

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There was a basement underneath the barn. The wheat was cut, And spread on the floor of the barn. two mules walked up the ramp into the wheat barn. They walked around on the wheet.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3
Punctuation:
Period 4
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 17

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# Holiday Gifts

You can make a flag. For a valentine's Day gift. You need 18 in. of fabric for the flag.

You also need fabric scraps, paint, and glue.

First, make a design using paint and scraps.

Next, find a stick that is 3 ftolong. roll the end of the flag around the stick and glue it in place.

error Summary	
Capitalization	3
Punctuation:	
Comma	1

**Period** 

MONDAY WEEK 18

To make a may Day basket, get a green plastic strawberry basket, a ribbon that's 12 inclong, and 8 pieces of yarn. Each piece should be 18 inclong. Weave the yarn through the holes in the basket. Glue the ribbon on top for a handle fill the basket with flowers.

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Comma 1

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**Period** 

**Error Summary** 

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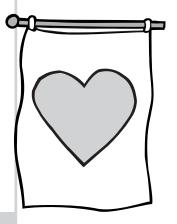
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 1
Punctuation:
Comma 1
Period 3
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 18

For christmas or Hanukkah, give a coupon book. Use 6 pieces of paper for the coupons and 2 pieces of colored paper. For the cover. Each coupon can be 2 in wide by 5 in long.

Staple the pages together On each page, write a note like, "This coupon is good for won hug"

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Capitalization 3
Punctuation:
Period 5
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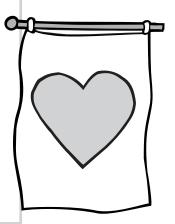
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sunday december 19,2004 E Dear Diary,

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 4
Punctuation:
Comma 3
Period 2

**Spelling** 

MONDAY WEEK 19

**Error Summary** 

3

**Capitalization** 

Punctuation:
Apostrophe 2
Comma 1
Other 1
Spelling 1

TUESDAY WEEK 19

tim

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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- dates and greetings in letters
- names of people and holidays



MONDAY WEEK 19

I can't wait to meet my new sister. I want to teech her new things. I hope she likes to read. Ill read her my favorite book. It's called I love you, Too.

Yours truly

tim



- apostrophes
- closings in letters
- titles of books

friday december 24,2004 Dear Diary

Little emma was born at 1130 this morning!

Its so exciting that she came on christmas eve.

| baby | babee |

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 6
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 3
Comma 3
Period 1
Other 2
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 19

I wrote emma a letter today. This is what I said:

Welcome to the world! Im so glad you're your here!

Love,

Your big brother <u>t</u>im

#### **Error Summary**

3

Capitalization

Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 2
Other 1
Spelling 1

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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- apostrophes
- dates and greetings in letters
- names of people and holidays

WEDNESDAY WEEK 19

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Dear emma

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- apostrophes
- greetings and closings in letters
- exclamation points



# Benjamin's Questions

How does that work? why does it do that? benjamin franklin asked questions like these. He was a very smart man who lived long ago. He did many tests. One of franklins tests was with a kite. It helped heard him learn about electricity. Have you herd about it?

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 2
Other 3
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 20

benjamin franklin made a kite. He tied a He key near the end of the kites string. She hooked a wire to the key. Tranklin flew the kite in a storm. Lightning hit the kite and went down the string. It hit the kee and made a spark. This showed that lightning is electricity.

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Capitalization 4
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Punctuation:
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Period 2
Spelling 1

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# Error Summary Capitalization 4 Language Usage 1 Punctuation: Apostrophe 1 Period 2 Other 1 Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 20

Mrofranklin made many other things. Have you heard of a Franklin stove? It's a special stove Mrofranklin made to heat people's homes.

Mr. Franklin also started the first fire company. He She wanted to help keep people safe from firs.

Mrofranklin had many good ideas.

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Sun and Wind we're having an argument.

Each claimed to be stronger just then, they saw a man strolling down a dusty road.

"Let's see which of us can make the man take off his coat, said wind. "Then we will see who is stronger."

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Period 1
Quotation Mark 2

**Spelling** 

MONDAY WEEK 21

Wind went first. "Ill blow his coat off," he said. He began to blow as hard as he could. blew The man buttoned his coat. Wind blue harder and harder. The harder he blew, the tighter the man held on to his coat. Wind said, "I give up."

#### **Error Summary**

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<b>Quotation Mark</b>	3
Spelling	

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dialog

Now it was Suns turn. Sun beamed down on the man. Soon the man unbuttoned his coat. Sun began to shine even more brightly. the man soon found it too hot two walk. He stopped and pulled off his coat. he sat down on a large boulder under a shade tree to cool off.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 3
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 21

In only a few minutes, Sun had won the contest. Wind asked, "how did you do that? You are no stronger than I am."

Sun replied, you don't always need to use force to win."

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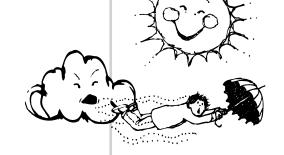
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Many people eat it in norway. She wrote her ecipe for Mama Lupe on a recipe card.

# Error Summary Capitalization

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 1

Spelling 3

MONDAY WEEK 22

#### LEFSE

Use 2 lbs. cooked potatoes, 1/2 c. butter, 1/2 c<sub>o</sub>cream, 1 Tbsp. sugar, 1 tsp. salt, and 2 1/2 c<sub>o</sub>flour.

Mash the potatoes with the butter creams sugar and salt. Mix in the flour roll the dough flat. cook it on a griddle. Flip the lefse and cook the other side. Yum!

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MONDAY WEEK 22

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- abbreviations
- exclamation points

bread

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mama Lupe sometimes serves them as dessert with honey or cinnamon sugar. That is my eat favorite way to eet them. Mama lupe wrote her sopaipilla recipe for Granny.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Period 1
Spelling 2

WEDNESDAY WEEK 22

#### SOPAIPILLAS

Use 4 coflour, 1 Tbsp. baking powder, 2 Tbsposhortening, 1 tsp. salt, 3/4 cowarm water, and oil for frying

Mix the flour baking powder shortening, and salt together. Add the water heat the oil in a pan. Roll the dough and cut it into squares. Fry the squares in hot oil. Enjoy!

#### **Error Summary**

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- question marks

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- abbreviations
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# Mr. Big's New Shoe

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Error Summary	
Capitalization	7
Language Usage	1
Punctuation:	
Comma	1
Period	1
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 23

danny hopped off Mr. Big to see what was wrong. Mr. Big lifted his foot. He seemed to say, "my foot is tender." danny saw that more big had lost a horseshoe. Danny walked the ponie pony back home. He told his Mother about the missing horseshoe.

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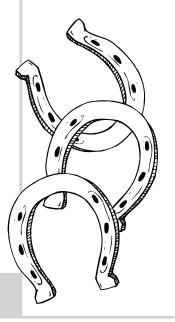
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 names of people, pets, and places



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- names of people and pets
- abbreviations
- quotes

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Apostrophe 2

Period 2

Quotation Mark 1
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 23

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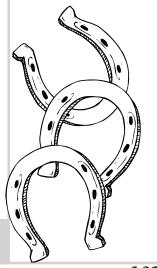
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#### A Lot of Water

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Other 2
Spelling 2

MONDAY WEEK 24

The Great Lakes are named Superior michigan Huron, Erie, and Ontario. On a map, lake superior looks like a wolfs head. Lakes Michigan huron, and Erie form the outline of a mitten. Lake Michigan is only in the United states. The other lakes are also in canada.

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- names of places
- commas

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

Period 3

Other 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 24

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Ill never learn how to ride without training

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I yelled back, "you do not!" I stormed into the house. That's when I saw the box on the table tabel.

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization	3
Punctuation:	
<b>Apostrophe</b>	2
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	5
Other	1
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 25

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Capitalization	2
Punctuation:	
Apostrophe	1
Period	2
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	1
Other	1

Name -

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- dialog
- exclamation points



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- dialog
- colons in time

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The girl looked familiar. She looked like pat, wall my mom. I looked at the calendar on the woll.

It read april 23, 1970. I had gone back in time! I was in my grandparents old house!

Error Summary	
Capitalization	3
Punctuation:	
Apostrophe	2
Comma	1
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	1
Other	1
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#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 25

I turned the radio off and closed my eyes. When I opened them, i was back in my kitchen. The calendar had today's date, april 23, 2004. My mom hugged me and said, "there you are. It's 615 and time for dinner. Don't worry. You'll learn to ride soon. I did, and so can you."

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Capitalization 4
Punctuation:
Comma 4

Period 2 Spelling

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MONDAY WEEK 26

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Capitalization
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- closings in letters
- names of places, groups of people, and languages

friday, march, 12,2004

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We go back home by bus on saturaday. Last Saturday

night, we went to a Navajo powwow We all beat drums

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:
Comma 5
Period 1
Spelling 3

WEDNESDAY WEEK 26

We saw a traditional Navajo home It's called a "hogan." It's made with logs, bushes, and mud. it has six or eight sides and a round round. The door faces east

yours truly, ≡ sara =

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

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Other 1

Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 27

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- names of people and books
- question marks
- dates

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ML: Yes, it does Many people only think about valentine's day in february. But for me, the best holiday is presidents' day. Our country has had many great leaders. Their stories are amazing!

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 5
Punctuation:

Period 2
Other 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 27

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 names of holidays and months

WEDNESDAY

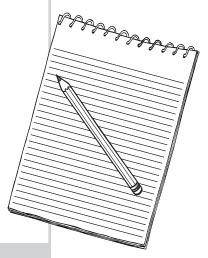
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## A Long Trip Home

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Error Sammary	
Capitalization	2
Punctuation:	
Comma	4
Period	2

**Spelling** 

Frror Summary

MONDAY WEEK 28

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Capitalization 1
Punctuation:
Period 3
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 28

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Capitalization 5
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## A Telescope in the Sky

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Period 3
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 29

On april 25,1990, people flew into space on a space shuttle. They took the Hubble Space Telescope with them they took the telescope out of the shuttle. They put it out in space it began to go around Earth. Then the people came back to Earth?

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Capitalization 3
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#### **Error Summary Capitalization** 2 **Punctuation: Period Spelling**

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 29

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do you have a classroom pet or a pet at home? How would you tell someone about it? you might tell what it looks like. You could say, "it is red. It has two wings and feathers." The bird other person would know your pet was a burd.

But there is more you could say.

error Summary	
Capitalization	3
Punctuation:	
Period	1
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	1
Other	2
Spelling	1

MONDAY WEEK 30

All things can be described. when you tell about something, you might tell about it's properties you can tell about something's color, size, weight, and shape. Tools help you measure these properties. You need to know when to use the different tools.

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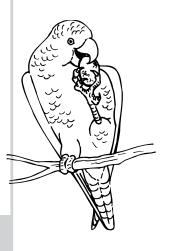
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- question marks
- quotes



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commas

think about the pet bird You described its color. How would you learn about its size? You could use a ruler a small bird might be 8 centimeters (3, in) tall. A larger bird, such as a parrot, might be 61 centimeters (24 in) tall. What else could you tell about your bird?

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Period 4
Other 2

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 30

Use a scale to learn how much your bird weigh weighs the small bird might way 85 grams (3 o.z). the bigger bird might weigh 2 kilograms (4, lb). That is the same as 2,000 grams (70.5 oz). When you tell about something, think about all of it's properties.

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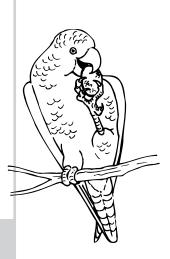
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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 2
Comma 1
Period 3

MONDAY WEEK 31

When the moon is between the sun and Earth, it looks dark the dark moon is called a "new moon." Each night, the moon moves a little by november 9,2005, some of the sun's light is shining on the moon. The slice of moon that you can see now is called a "quarter moon."

#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 3

Punctuation:

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Period 3

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• dates

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 4
Punctuation:
Apostrophe 1
Comma 3
Period 3

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 31

When you see the second new moon, you know the moon has circled Earth one time. The phases of the moon will start again there are read many books you can reed to learn more about the moon you might enjoy The Moon Book by gail gibbons.

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Capitalization 3

Punctuation:
Period 2
Other 1

Spelling 2

Name.

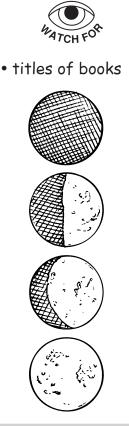
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(1,094 yd) across. That is longer than Hear 10 football fields! Look at the falls. Here the roaring water. feel the cool mist on your skin.

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**Spelling** 

MONDAY WEEK 32

falls

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- abbreviations
- names of places

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 7
Punctuation:
Period 2
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 32

Walk across a bridge from the edge of american Falls to goat island. Ride an elevator bottom to the bottom of the falls. stand behind a curtain of water. It is only one-half meter (25 ft) from you. feel the wind and the mist. This place is called the "Cave of the winds."

#### **Error Summary**

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Error Summary	
Capitalization	6
Language Usage	1
Punctuation:	
Comma	1
Period	1
<b>Quotation Mark</b>	1
Other	2

MONDAY WEEK 33

City mouse and country Mouse set off for the city. It was late when they came to the house where city Mouse lived. City mouse showed showing his cousin a nest of cotton rags. He said to country Mouse, This is where we will sleep. But first, let's eat."

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dialog

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## Error Summary Capitalization 5 Punctuation: Apostrophe 1

Quotation Mark 1
Other 1
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 33

The cat jumped at the mice. They ran into a hole in the wall country mouse packed his suitcase. gity Mouse asked his cousin where he was going? Country Mouse said, "It's better to eat seeds in a safe place than to eat cake where there's a cat! And off he went.

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**Quotation Mark** 

Other

Error Summary

MONDAY WEEK 34

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#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 34

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#### **Error Summary**

Capitalization 2
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Period 1
Quotation Mark 2
Spelling 1

MONDAY WEEK 35

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Quotation Mark 3
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TUESDAY WEEK 35

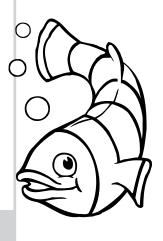
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**WEEK 35** 

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#### **Error Summary**

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Period 2

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#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 35

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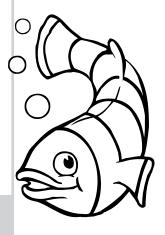
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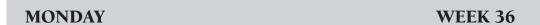
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Period 4
Spelling 1

#### WEDNESDAY WEEK 36

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THURSDAY WEEK 36

Write a paragraph about Jane Goodall and her work. Tell when she first became interested in learning about animals. Explain how she learned about chimps. Be sure to start each sentence with a capital letter and end it with a punctuation mark. Use one of these topic sentences to begin your paragraph, or write your own:

- Jane Goodall has spent most of her life watching animals.
- The work of Jane Goodall has helped scientists learn about the way animals act.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 1

Biography: Jane Goodall: Learning About Animals

Write a paragraph that tells about where you live. Give the name of your town or city. Also give the name of your state, country, and continent. Don't forget to use a capital letter for the names of places. Use one of these topic sentences, or write your own:

- There are many different ways to tell about where you live.
- I live in a town, a state, a country, and on a continent.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 2

Social Studies Article: Places on Earth

Write a paragraph about exercise. Give examples of ways you can exercise. Also tell what happens to your body when you exercise. Be sure to start all sentences with a capital letter and end them with a period, question mark, or exclamation point. You may use one of these topic sentences to get started:

- Exercise is good for your heart.
- Many exercises make your heart stronger.

FRIDAY - WEEK 3

**Science Article: A Strong Heart** 

Have you ever made or built something? Write a paragraph that tells about something you have made or would like to make. Be sure to use a capital **I** when telling about yourself. When you write a contraction, use an apostrophe (') in the correct place.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 4

Personal Narrative: My Kite

Write a paragraph that tells about castles. Tell who lived in a castle and what their life was like. Be sure to begin each sentence with a capital letter and to form plurals correctly. Use one of these topic sentences, or write your own:

- Castles were built to help the people inside stay safe.
- Life in a castle was not as great as you might think.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 5

Social Studies Article: Life in a Castle

Write a paragraph about snow. Tell about how snowflakes are formed and what happens when they fall. Remember to capitalize the names of places and months. You might begin your paragraph with one of these topic sentences, or write your own:

- Snowflakes form in the clouds.
- Some places get a lot of snow, while other places get no snow at all.

FRIDAY - WEEK 6

**Science Article: It's Snowing!** 

Write a paragraph that tells about beavers. What makes beavers different from most mammals? Tell about what beavers do and how their bodies help them. Remember to use commas and periods correctly. Start with one of these topic sentences, or write one of your own:

- Beavers have special bodies that help them work.
- Beavers work together to build their homes.
- Beavers are mammals that spend most of the time in the water.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 7

Science Article: Beavers at Work

Write a paragraph that tells the next part of this story. You could tell about something that happened that night after Jamal and his parents went back to bed. Or, you could tell about what happened the next time the raccoon came back. Use quotation marks around words spoken by people in the story. Also, be sure your sentences begin with a capital letter and tell a complete thought.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 8

Realistic Fiction: Noises in the Night

What do you think will happen next in the story? Write another paragraph that tells what happens next. Include some words that are spoken to Max. Remember to use quotation marks and commas correctly when someone speaks.

FRIDAY - WEEK 9

**Description: My Dog Max** 

Write a letter that Sarah and Sid might have sent to their Uncle Wilbur after opening the thank-you present. Remember to use commas in the salutation and closing of the letter. Use your imagination about what was in the box from Uncle Wilbur.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 10

Letters: A Message from Uncle Wilbur

Write a letter to a real or imaginary pen pal or friend who lives in another town, state, or country. Tell the person about something that is happening at your school or at home. Ask your pen pal or friend about what is happening in his or her life. Be sure to use commas after the salutation and closing of your letter.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 11 Letters: Pen Pals

Write about a book you have read. Be sure to underline the title of the book. If it's a book of poems, be sure to put the titles of poems inside quotation marks. Don't forget to use capital letters for words in titles. Be sure you say what you liked about the book.

FRIDAY - WEEK 12

**Book Review: A Great Book of Poems** 

Think about your favorite holiday. Write a paragraph that tells about it. Tell where you go and what you do. Remember to use a capital letter for the first letter of someone's name and for the first letter in the name of a holiday. Include one sentence in your paragraph that gives a time. Be sure to use a colon between the hour and the minutes.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 13

Personal Narrative: Thanksgiving with Grandmarge

Do you think you would like to read <u>Holidays in America</u>? Write a paragraph that tells about the book. Remember to use capital letters for the title of the book, the names of the holidays, and the months of the year. You might want to use one of these topic sentences:

- Holidays in America has lots of facts about holidays.
- There is a great book to help you learn more about holidays.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 14

**Book Review: Learning About Holidays** 

Write another paragraph about Morris, Jake, and the sticker seeds. Include some words that are spoken when the boys check on the seeds a few weeks later. Be sure to use quotation marks and commas.

FRIDAY - WEEK 15

**Realistic Fiction: Weed Seeds** 

Write a paragraph about magnets. Tell what they can do and what they look like. Describe their special force. If you give the name of a book about magnets, be sure to underline the title. You may choose to use one of the following topic sentences, or write one of your own:

- Magnets have a force that you cannot see.
- Books can give you ideas for learning about magnets.
- Magnets have different shapes, sizes, and strengths.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 16

Write a paragraph that tells about George Washington's special barn. Tell what the barn looked liked and how it made it easier to get the kernels off the wheat. Remember to begin each sentence with a capital letter. Be sure each sentence is a complete thought. You may choose to use one of these topic sentences, or write one of your own:

- George Washington was a smart farmer.
- George Washington found a way to make farm work easier.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 17

Social Studies Article: George Washington's Barn

Science Article: Magnet Tricks

Have you ever made a gift for someone? Write a paragraph that tells how to make the gift. Remember to use a capital letter for the names of holidays. Be sure to use periods correctly when you write inches (in.) or feet (ft.) the short way.

FRIDAY - WEEK 18

**Instructions: Holiday Gifts** 

Write another diary entry from Tim. Tell what happens when his sister Emma comes home. Be sure to use a capital letter for the day and the month of the entry. Use a comma correctly in the date.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 19

**Journal Entries: My New Sister** 

Write a paragraph about Benjamin Franklin. Tell about the things he made. Be sure that his name begins with a capital letter. Use periods and question marks correctly. Start with one of these topic sentences, or write one of your own:

- Benjamin Franklin looked for answers to many questions.
- Benjamin Franklin made things that helped many people.
- Benjamin Franklin had lots of good ideas.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 20

Science Article: Benjamin's Questions

Wind learned a lesson from his contest with Sun. Write a paragraph that tells about the Sun and Wind's contest. Tell about the lesson Wind learned. Remember to put a period at the end of a complete thought and to begin each new sentence with a capital letter.

FRIDAY - WEEK 21

Fable: Sun and Wind

What kind of food do you like to prepare? Write directions for fixing a simple food like cinnamon toast, hot chocolate, or an ice-cream sundae. Remember to use periods at the end of shortened words like c. for "cup." Be sure to use commas in a list, too.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 22

Write another paragraph about Danny and Mr. Big. You might tell about their trip home or about another adventure. Be sure to capitalize

**Instructions: Trading Recipes** 

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 23

Historical Fiction: Mr. Big's New Shoe

Write a paragraph that tells about the Great Lakes. Tell where they are located and what makes them special. Don't forget to use a capital letter for the names of the lakes. If you wish, use one of these topic sentences to begin your paragraph:

The five Great Lakes are like no other lakes in the world.

abbreviations and use periods at the end of them, too.

• The five Great Lakes are Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, Lake Erie, and Lake Ontario.

FRIDAY – WEEK 24

Social Studies Article: A Lot of Water

Write another paragraph that tells about the next time Tommy uses the odd radio to travel through time. Will he go into the future or into the past? Write about what happens. Be sure to use a colon if you write the time. Use a comma between the day and the year if you write a date.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 25

Fantasy: An Understanding Mom

Write another diary entry from Sara. You might tell something else about her field trip or about her return trip home. Remember to use a capital letter when you write the day and the month. Put a comma in the correct place when you write the date.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 26

**Journal Entries: My Field Trip Journal** 

Write another part of the interview with Michelle Lee. First, write another question that the writer from <u>Kids' History</u> asks Ms. Lee. Then write the answer that Ms. Lee gives. You might ask who her favorite president is, and why, or about how long it took her to write her new book. If you include the title of the book or magazine, be sure to underline and to use capital letters.

FRIDAY - WEEK 27

**Interview: Meet Michelle Lee** 

Imagine you are the child that took this trip. Write another paragraph to tell about one of your experiences. You might write about being sick on the wagon train. Include a sentence that mentions your hometown or your new home. Remember to use a capital letter to write the names of places, and to put a comma between the name of a city and a state.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 28

**Historical Fiction: A Long Trip Home** 

Write a paragraph that tells about the Hubble Space Telescope. Tell where it is and what it does. Remember to use capital letters and periods correctly. You may choose to use one of these topic sentences, or write your own:

- The Hubble Space Telescope helps us learn about things in space.
- Like the moon, the Hubble Space Telescope circles Earth.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 29

Science Article: A Telescope in the Sky

Write a paragraph that tells about the properties of objects. Tell how you can describe an object. Tell which tools you can use to learn about each property. Be sure to use periods when you use a short word for a measurement (in., lb., or oz.). Use one of these topic sentences to begin your paragraph, or write your own:

- You can use tools to learn about the size and weight of objects.
- One way to learn more about something is to find its size and weight.

FRIDAY - WEEK 30

Science Article: Tell All About It

Write a paragraph about the moon. Tell about its light and about the changes in the way it looks. Be sure to capitalize the word **Earth**. Capitalize the names of months and books if you include any. Use a period to end sentences. Start with one of these topic sentences, or write one of your own:

- The amount of sunlight we see on the moon makes it look like the moon changes its shape.
- The moon circles Earth about once every month.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 31

Science Article: Sunlight on the Moon

Write a paragraph that tells about Niagara Falls. Remember to use a capital letter for the names of places. Use a period correctly when you write the short form of measurement words, like **ft**. and **yd**. Start your paragraph with one of these topic sentences, or write your own:

- Niagara Falls is in both the United States and Canada.
- Horseshoe Falls and American Falls are both part of Niagara Falls.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 32

Social Studies Article: Niagara Falls

What do you think might happen the next time City Mouse visits his cousin in the country? Write a paragraph that tells about this visit. Remember to use commas and quotation marks correctly when one of the mice speaks.

FRIDAY – WEEK 33

**Fable: Country Mouse in the City** 

Write a paragraph about the Statue of Liberty. Tell what she looks like and why she is in New York Harbor. Remember to capitalize the names of places. Use one of these topic sentences to begin your paragraph, or write your own:

- A statue of a lady welcomes people coming to America.
- A lady stands tall and proud in the waters of New York Harbor.

#### FRIDAY - WEEK 34

Social Studies Article: A Welcome

Imagine you are the child in this story. What might happen to you as you swim back to the beach and your family? Write a paragraph to tell about that new adventure. Remember to use commas and quotation marks when you write words that someone speaks or thinks.

#### FRIDAY – WEEK 35

**Fantasy: Helping Sammy** 

Write a paragraph that tells about Mount Rushmore. Remember to use a capital letter for the names of places and people. Use a period correctly when you write the short form of words (ft.). Use one of the following topic sentences, or write your own:

- Gutzon Borglum carved the heads of four presidents in Mount Rushmore.
- Mount Rushmore honors four American presidents.

FRIDAY - WEEK 36

Social Studies Article: Presidents in the Mountain

# Language Handbook

# Basic Rules for Writing and Editing

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Capital Letters
A word that starts with a capital letter is special in some way.

Always use a capital letter to begin:

the first word of a sentence:	Today is the first day of school.
the first word of a quotation:	She said, "Today is the first day of school."
the salutation (greeting) and closing in a letter:	Dear Grandma, Thanks so much for the birthday gift! Love, Sherry
the names of days, months, and holidays:	The fourth Thursday in <b>N</b> ovember is Thanksgiving.
people's first and last names, their initials, and their titles:	Mrs. Cruz and her son Felix were both seen by Dr. S. C. Lee.  Note: Many titles can be abbreviated. Use these abbreviations only when you also use the person's name:  Mr. a man  Mrs. a married woman  Mrs. a woman  Mrs. a woman  Pres. the president of a country or an organization
the word that names yourself - <b>I</b> :	My family and ${f I}$ enjoy camping together.

a word that is used as a name:	I went with <b>D</b> ad and <b>A</b> unt <b>T</b> erry to visit Grandma.
	<b>Be Careful!</b> Do not use a capital letter at the beginning of a word when it is not used as someone's name:
	I went with my <b>d</b> ad and my <b>a</b> unt to visit my <b>g</b> randma.
	<b>Hint:</b> If you can replace the word with a name, it needs a capital letter:
	I went with <u>Dad</u> . $\longrightarrow$ I went with <u>Joe</u> .
the names of nationalities and languages:	<b>M</b> exican, <b>C</b> uban, and <b>N</b> icaraguan people all speak <b>S</b> panish.
the names of racial, ethnic, or cultural groups:	There were <b>A</b> sian, <b>N</b> ative <b>A</b> merican, and <b>A</b> frican dancers at the festival.
to begin the names of these special places and things:	
• street names:	Palm Avenue, Cypress Street, Pine Boulevard
• cities, states, and countries:	Los Angeles, <i>C</i> alifornia, United States of America, Paris, France
• continents:	Asia, Europe, South America
• landforms and bodies of water:	Great Plains, San Francisco Bay, Great Salt Lake
buildings, monuments, and public places:	the White House, the Statue of Liberty, Yellowstone National Park

titles of books, stories, poems, and magazines:

The story "The Friendly Fruit Bat" appeared in Ranger Rick magazine and in a science book called Flying Mammals.

**Be Careful!** Do not use a capital letter at the beginning of a small word in a title, such as **a**, **an**, **at**, **for**, **in**, and **the**, unless it is the first word in the title.

**Note:** When you write a title, remember . . .

Some titles are underlined: **Book Titles:** Frog and Toad **Magazine Titles:** Ranger Rick

TV Shows: Sesame Street

Some titles go inside quotation marks: **Story Titles:** "The Fox and the Crow"

Poem Titles: "My Shadow"

**Song Titles:** "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star"

# **Punctuation Marks**

**Punctuation** gives information that helps you understand a sentence.

#### **End Punctuation**

Every sentence must end with one of these three punctuation marks: .!?

A **period** (.) shows that a sentence is:

giving information:	I love to read short stories.
giving a mild command:	Choose a short story to read aloud.  Note: A period is also used in:  • abbreviations of months and days: Jan. (January), Feb. (February), Mon. (Monday), Tue. (Tuesday), etc.  • abbreviations of measurements: ft. (foot/feet), in. (inch/inches), lb./lbs. (pound/pounds), oz. (ounce/ounces)  • time: 8:00 a.m., 4:30 p.m., etc.

A **question mark** (?) shows that a sentence is:

asking a question:	Did you choose a story to read?
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An **exclamation point** (!) shows that a sentence is:

expressing strong feelings:	Wow! That story is really long!
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Punctuation Marks (continued)

#### Comma

A **comma** (,) can help you know how to read things. Commas are often used in sentences. Sometimes commas are used with words or phrases.

Some commas are used to keep things separate. Use a **comma** to separate:

the name of a city from the name of a state:	El Paso, Texas
the name of a city from the name of a country:	London, England
the date from the year:	October 12, 2004
the salutation (greeting) from the body of a letter:	Dear Ms. Silver,
the closing in a letter from the signature:	Yours truly,

Some commas help you know where to pause when you read a sentence. Use a **comma** to show a pause:

between three or more items in a list or series:	Nico won't eat beets, spinach, or shrimp.
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#### **Quotation Marks**

#### Use quotation marks (" "):

before and after words that are spoken by someone: "This was the best birthday party ever!" Maya said.

**Note:** Punctuation that follows the speaker's words goes inside the quotation marks:

"May I have a piñata at my birthday party?"
Martin asked.

Mr. Flores replied, "You bet!"

**Be Careful!** When the words that tell who is speaking come before the quotation, put the comma outside the quotation marks. When the words that tell who is speaking come after the quotation, put the comma inside the quotation marks:

Before: Mrs. Flores asked, "Do you want a chocolate cake, too?"

After: "I sure do," said Martin.

### **Apostrophe**

An **apostrophe** (') helps show who owns something. You add an apostrophe after the name of an owner.

When there is just one owner, add an apostrophe first and then add an <b>S</b> :	cat + 's → cat's The cat's dish was empty.
When there is more than one owner, add an <b>S</b> first and then add an apostrophe:	cats + '→ cats' All the cats' cages at the shelter were nice and big.  Be Careful! When the name of more than one owner does not end with an S, add an apostrophe first and then add an S:  children + 's → children's  The children's cat was in the last cage.  people + 's → people's  Other people'S pets were making lots of noise.
Use an apostrophe when you put two words together to make one word. This is called a contraction. In a contraction, the apostrophe takes the place of the missing letter or letters:	I + am = I'm  you + are = you're  he + is = he's  it + is = it's  we + would = we'd  they + will = they'll  do + not = don't  does + not = doesn't  are + not = aren't  could + not = couldn't  have + not = haven't  would + not = wouldn't

# **Plurals**

A noun names a person, place, or thing. A **plural noun** names more than one person, place, or thing.

Add an <b>S</b> to make most nouns plural:	girl → girl + s → girl <b>s</b> river → river + s → river <b>s</b>
If the noun ends in <b>ch</b> , <b>s</b> , <b>sh</b> , or <b>x</b> , add <b>es</b> :	lunch → lunch + es → lunch <b>es</b> dress → dress + es → dress <b>es</b> brush → brush + es → brush <b>es</b> fox → fox + es → fox <b>es</b>
If the noun ends in <b>y</b> , change the y to <b>i</b> and add <b>es</b> :	fly    fli + es    flies story    stori + es    stories  Note: If the noun ends in a vowel plus y, just add s:  bay    bay + s    bays key    key + s    keys boy    boy + s    boys  Be Careful! Some plural nouns do not have an s at all:  child    children    foot    feet man    men    tooth    teeth woman    women    goose    geese

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