

6-8 Language Arts

Adjectives

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of adjectives in written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify adjectives.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize adjectives in written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will identify modifiers.

Subobjective 4: The student will create descriptive paragraphs which incorporate adjectives.

Apostrophes

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of apostrophes in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify apostrophes.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize apostrophes in a written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use apostrophes correctly in his/her own writing.

Capitalization

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of capital letters in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify specific words that need capital letters.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize words that need capital letters in written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use words that need capital letters correctly in his/her own writing.

Colons

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of colons in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify colons.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize colons in a written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use colons correctly in his/her own writing.

Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

Lesson Objective: The student will use knowledge of comparative and superlative adjectives to construct effective sentences.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify comparative and superlative adjectives in sentences.

Subobjective 2: The student will correctly use comparative and superlative adjectives in sentences.

Contractions

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to recognize the appropriate usage of contractions in written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify contractions.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize contractions in written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use contractions correctly in his/her own writing.

Conventions of Grammar

Lesson Objective: The student will apply correct conventions of grammar in his/her writing.

Subobjective 1: The student will correctly use subject-verb agreement.

Subobjective 2: The student will correctly identify parts of speech.

Subobjective 3: The student will correctly identify parts of a sentence and sentence patterns.

Subobjective 4: The student will correctly conjugate various verb types.

Fluency and Comprehension Strategies

Lesson Objective: The student will explore strategies to improve reading fluency and comprehension.

Subobjective 1: The student will analyze the importance of expanding his/her vocabulary.

Subobjective 2: The student will explore universal themes.

Subobjective 3: The student will examine new vocabulary.

Subobjective 4: The student will create a report.

Ideas and Content

Lesson Objective: The student will utilize the writing trait of ideas and content to improve his/her writing.

Subobjective 1: The student will brainstorm ideas for writing.

Subobjective 2: The student will explain how ideas relate to content.

Subobjective 3: The student will explain how to "zoom in," or find a more focused main idea.

Literary Genres

Lesson Objective: The student will identify various literary genres.

Subobjective 1: The student will distinguish between fiction and non-fiction writing.

Subobjective 2: The student will identify realistic fiction, historical fiction, traditional literature, mystery, science fiction, and fantasy as genres within the fiction category.

Subobjective 3: The student will identify biography, autobiography, and informational as genres within the non-fiction category.

Subobjective 4: The student will categorize reading passages within the given genres.

Locating Resources

Lesson Objective: The student will develop strategies for discovering and using local, community, and web resources.

Subobjective 1: The student will investigate library organization and use.

Subobjective 2: The student will explore intralocal and interlocal resources.

Subobjective 3: The student will investigate online resources as well as online safety.

Subobjective 4: The student will locate various sources for a list of topics.

Subobjective 5: The student will outline sources available to them in a bibliography.

Nouns

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to recognize the appropriate usage of nouns in written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify common and proper nouns.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize nouns in written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use nouns correctly in their own writing.

Organization

Lesson Objective: The student will utilize the writing trait of organization to improve their writing.

Subobjective 1: The student will create a graphic organizer for writing.

Subobjective 2: The student will sequence ideas logically.

Subobjective 3: The student will identify inviting beginnings.

Subobjective 4: The student will identify satisfying conclusions.

Subobjective 5: The student will identify appropriate transitional words or phrases.

Plot Diagram

Lesson Objective: The student will analyze literary elements of fiction with emphasis on plot development, including conflict, rising action, climax, falling action, and resolution.

Subobjective 1: The student will define the elements of plot.

Subobjective 2: The student will analyze setting and conflict.

Subobjective 3: The student will identify the different elements of plot within a story.

Prepositions

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of prepositions in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify prepositions.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize prepositions and prepositional phrases in a written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use prepositions correctly in his/her own writing.

Present, Progressive, and Emphatic Verb Tenses

Lesson Objective: The student will apply conventions of grammar with emphasis on the conjugation of verbs in the regular, progressive, and emphatic tenses.

Proofreading with Punctuation Marks

Lesson Objective: The student will correctly proofread and edit his/her own writing and a peer's writing.

Subobjective 1: The student will correctly identify grammar errors in writing.

Subobjective 2: The student will correctly edit internal and ending punctuation marks.

Propaganda Techniques

Lesson Objective: The student will explore propaganda techniques in media.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify propaganda techniques.

Subobjective 2: The student will apply propaganda techniques.

Research: Crediting Other for Ideas and Work

Lesson Objective: The student will credit others appropriately for their ideas and work.

Subobjective 1: The student will define the term, “plagiarism” and describe strategies to avoid it.

Subobjective 2: The student will credit sources for print and non-print resources.

Research Strategies

Lesson Objective: The student will apply strategies for locating and accessing various sources of information in order to pursue individual interests and encourage personal growth.

Subobjective 1: The student will define the term, “research.”

Subobjective 2: The student will analyze the "Big Six" steps for conducting research.

Subobjective 3: The student will write a research outline.

Revising

Lesson Objective: The student will improve drafts by adding, deleting, consolidating, and rearranging text.

Subobjective 1: The student will revise a paragraph by adding words that “show.”

Subobjective 2: The student will revise a paragraph by deleting unnecessary information.

Subobjective 3: The student will revise a paragraph by combining short sentences into longer, more descriptive sentences.

Subobjective 4: The student will revise a book report by rearranging details to make the work make sense.

Revising for Style

Lesson Objective: The student will revise for sentence variety, tone, voice, selected vocabulary, and selected information.

Subobjective 1: The student will revise a rough draft that he/she has written in class, fixing style aspects of the paper.

Semicolons

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of semicolons in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify semicolons.

Subobjective 2: The student will recognize semicolons in written text.

Subobjective 3: The student will use semicolons correctly in his/her own writing.

Sentence Combining

Lesson Objective: The student will write simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences with a variety of opening structures.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify independent and dependent clauses in different types of sentences.

Subobjective 2: The student will produce sentences using compound subjects and compound verbs in simple and compound sentences.

Subobjective 3: The student will list and describe coordinating conjunctions and subordinators in compound, complex and compound-complex sentences.

Subobjective 4: The student will compare and identify simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences.

Symbolism

Lesson Objective: The student will examine the meaning of symbolism.

Subobjective 1: The student will illustrate the meaning and message of symbolism in his/her writing.

Subobjective 2: The student will analyze how an author conveys a message through symbolism.

Using Context

Lesson Objective: The student will use context clues to determine the meaning of words while reading.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify context clues in a sentence or passage.

Subobjective 2: The student will define vocabulary words using context clues.

Verb Tenses

Lesson Objective: The student will identify verbs according to tense in the past, present, and future tenses.

Subobjective 1: The student will distinguish between simple present and present progressive verb tenses.

Subobjective 2: The student will conjugate verbs in the simple present tense with third person singular subjects.

Subobjective 3: The student will conjugate verbs in the present progressive tense.

Verbs

Lesson Objective: The student will recognize the appropriate usage of verbs in a written text.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify verbs.

Subobjective 2: The student will use verbs correctly in his/her own writing.

Word Choice

Lesson Objective: The student will utilize the writing trait of word choice to improve his/her writing.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify descriptive words.

Subobjective 2: The student will identify repeated words and replace them with synonyms.

Subobjective 3: The student will identify words that match his/her audience and purpose.

Subobjective 4: The student will explain the elements of word choice to a partner.

Writing Paragraphs

Lesson Objective: The student will organize ideas into a written paragraph.

Subobjective 1: The student will identify and write a topic sentence that states the main idea of a paragraph.

Subobjective 2: The student will identify and write supporting details.

Subobjective 3: The student will write transition words to connect ideas in a paragraph together.