Crest Memorial School Curriculum and Pacing Guide		
Grade: Second	Subject Area: Writing	
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Mission and Vision Statements

Mission: The New Jersey Student Learning Standards for English Language Arts (NJSLS-ELA) build on the best of existing standards and reflect the skills and knowledge students need to succeed in college, career, and life. They define general, cross-disciplinary literacy expectations that must be met for students to be prepared to enter college and workforce training programs ready to succeed. The K–12 grade-specific standards define end-of-year expectations and a cumulative progression designed to enable students to meet college and career readiness expectations no later than the end of high school.

Students advancing through the grades are expected to meet each year's grade-specific standards, retain or further develop skills and understandings mastered in preceding grades, and work steadily toward meeting the more general expectations described by the standards. In service to that expectation, the Department recommends 90-minutes of uninterrupted literacy instruction for all students in grades K–5, and 80 minutes for grades 6 through 8

Vision: A New Jersey education in English Language Arts builds readers, writers, and communicators prepared to meet the demands of college and career and to engage as productive American citizens with global responsibilities. Throughout their kindergarten through grade 12 experience, students will:

- Develop the necessary skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening that are the foundations for creative and purposeful expression in language.
- Read rich, challenging texts that build their knowledge of the world, grow their confidence and identities as readers, and develop critical thinking skills and vocabulary necessary for long-term success.
- Engage in regular, meaningful, writing authentic tasks, exploring valued topics, writing for impact and expression, and sharing their work with others (including authentic audiences).
- Leverage complex texts and digital media to develop comprehension, active listening, and discussion skills.
- Ground daily writing and discussion in evidence, fostering an ability to read critically, build arguments, cite evidence, and communicate ideas to contribute meaningfully as productive citizens.
- Evaluate the reliability, credibility, and perspective of authors and speakers across all forms of media.
- Express ideas and knowledge through a variety of modalities and media, and serve as effective communicators who purposefully read, write, and speak across multiple disciplines.
- Learn to persist in reading complex texts, establishing lifelong habits to read voluntarily for pleasure, for further education, for information on public policy, and for advancement in the workplace.

Integration of Technology

9.4.2.TL.2, 9.4.2.TL.6

21st Century Skills

9.4.2.CT.3, 9.4.2.IML.4

Career Education

9.1.2.CAP.1, 9.2.5.CAP.1

	Interdisciplinary Connection	
2-LS4-1 Zoos are good/bad for animals(Reading)	2-LS4-1 Zoos are good/bad for animals(Reading)	

Accommodations and Modifications	
Special Education	 follow 504/IEP accommodations create visual word wall with labels highlight and define important vocabulary ask yes/no questions provide sentence frames or sentence stems create a word map
English Language Learners	 create visual word wall with labels highlight and define important vocabulary ask yes/no questions provide sentence frames or sentence stems

	• create a word map
Students At-Risk of Failure	 Allow verbalization before writing Use audio materials when necessary Read tests aloud Restate, reword, clarify directions Re-teach concepts using small groups Provide educational "breaks" as necessary Chunking content into "digestible bites" Shorten assignments to focus on mastery concept Assignment, Project, and Assessment Modification Based on Individual Student Needs Use mnemonic devices
Gifted and Talented	 Student Choice Assignment, Project, and Assessment Modification Based on Individual Student Needs
Students with 504 Plans	 Allow verbalization before writing Use audio materials when necessary Read tests aloud Restate, reword, clarify directions Re-teach concepts using small groups Provide educational "breaks" as necessary Chunking content into "digestible bites" Shorten assignments to focus on mastery concept Use mnemonic devices

Assessments		
Formative	 Lesson quick checks (Whiteboards) Teacher Observation 	
Summative	 Grammar tests Writing Writing Notebook 	
Benchmark	 MAP Testing (Fall, Winter, Spring) F&P Testing (Fall, Winter, Spring) Beginning of year writing sample 	

	 Penpal letters Poetry book Persuasive letter Persuasive Paragraph
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Unit 1 Learning Goals- The Writing Community	
SWBAT generate writing ideas by drawing, listing ideas, and writing sentences SWBAT write about their lives SWBAT write silly and scary stories SWBAT approximate spelling SWBAT use ending sentence punctuation SWBAT use proper capitalization	

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
 Day 1: Draw pictures to inspire writing 	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 SL.UM.2.5	 Introduce the writing community Learn and practice procedures for gathering Briefly discuss writing experiences Write a shared story from a quick drawing Introduce the writing community SW draw and write for 10 minutes
Day 2: Write stories about drawn pictures	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 L.WF.2.3	 Practice procedures for gathering and discuss working responsibly Review drawing to get ideas for writing Finish writing stories from previous day (10 minutes) Make a list of five things that make up a sentence Partners put together words to make a complete sentence

• Day 3: Draw pictures to inspire writing	SL.PE.2.1 L.WF.2.3 L.WF.2.1 W.RW.2.7 SL.II.2.2 SL.UM.2.5	 Read the book Big Momma's aloud Discuss what the author wrote about Big Momma Model drawing and writing about a place you like to go SW draw and write about a place they like to go (10 minutes)
• Day 4: Share writing	SL.ES.2.3 SL.PI.2.4 SL.AS.2.6 L.WF.2.3	 Select a story to share Model speaking clearly and discuss listening to one another Share writing Reflect on sharing Review complete and incomplete sentences Introduce naming parts and telling parts Identify naming parts using white boards and smart board
• Day 5: Open Day (choice of writing)	W.RW.2.7	 Review the writing community Review drawings and stories Open write choices: rooms at home, family trips, or stories from sketches SW draw and write for 10 minutes
• Day 6: Sketch story ideas	SL.PE.2.1	 Read the article "About Donald Crews" Discuss how Donald Crews gets ideas for stories Model making a sketch Discuss walking around school responsibly Walk around school and sketch
• Day 7: Write stories using a sketch	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Pair students and introduce "Turn to Your Partner" Model turning to a partner Write a shared story Choose a sketch and talk with partner about it Write a story from a sketch (5 minutes)

• Day 8: Use sketches to write a story	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Model drawing different ideas for a story Discuss what students like to do for fun with their family Sketch ideas for a story about family Find a partner that makes their sentence complete (naming parts and telling parts Circle naming parts in a sentence
• Day 9: Write stories using a sketch	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Model writing a story from a sketch Tell stories orally before writing Model turning to a partner Write a story using sketch (5-10 minutes) Choose a story to share with their partner Reflect on working together
• Day 10: Open Day (choice of writing)	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Write more stories from sketches Select a story to share with the class Open write Naming part/telling part scoot
• Day 11: Generate lists to assist with writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Read Shortcut aloud Discuss the use of words and illustrations TTP Discuss something that happened to them that would make a good story Model listing writing ideas Introduce writing notebooks Write an "It Happened to Me" list
• Day 12: Write a story using a list of ideas	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Model writing a story about something that happened to you As you write point out when you capitalize and put punctuation SW write stories from their lists Naming part/telling part Jeopardy
• Day 13: Explore and add descriptive language to writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Read Night in the Country aloud Model rereading to add sight and sound words to writing Finish writing stories Reread stories and add sight and sound

		words
Day 14: Share writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Discuss speaking and listening Share writing Reflect on listening and speaking clearly Write freely in notebook
• Day 15: Write a story using a list of ideas	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Write another "It Happened to Me" story Review naming parts and telling parts Identify naming parts and telling parts on whiteboards
• Day 16: Generate lists to assist with writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Introduce and practice "Think, Pair, Share" Read Miss Tizzy aloud and discuss what the author wants the reader to know about friendship Model listing writing ideas (friends) SW make a list of friends
• Day 17: Write a story using a list of ideas	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark> L.WF.2.3	 Model writing about a friend and approximate spelling SW choose ideas and tell stories orally Write about a friend (15 mins.) Review Naming and Telling parts
• Day 18: Reread writing and add descriptive detail	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Explore sight and sound words in Miss Tizzy Model rereading to add sight and sound words Finish writing stories Reread and add sight and sound words
• Day 19: Share writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 W.RW.2.7	 Teach the prompt "I Found Out" Share writing Model using the prompt Write freely in notebook
 Day 20: Write about friendship 	L.WF.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 Review Naming parts and telling parts Administer quiz Write about the theme of friendship

• Day 21: Write silly animal sentences to generate writing ideas	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read Dogs Don't wear Sneakers aloud Discuss what is funny and how the author got the idea Model writing silly animal sentences Write silly animal sentences Share sentences in pairs
 Day 22: Write a story using silly animal sentences 	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type aloud Discuss what was funny Model writing a story from silly animal sentences (approximating spelling and paying attention to capitalization) Write stories using sentences Share stories in pairs
• Day 23: Write silly sentences to generate writing ideas	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark> L.WF.2.3	 Read My Little Sister Ate One Hare aloud Model writing "My Little Sister/Brother" sentences Write sentences Share sentences in pairs Introduce statements and questions
• Day 24: Write a story using My little sister/brother sentences	SL.PE.2.1 SL.PI.2.4 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Write a shared "My Little Sister/Brother" story Model capitalizing and using punctuation Write My Little Sister/Brother stories
• Day 25: Share writing and Open Day (choice of writing)	SL.PE.2.1 SL.AS.2.6	 Teach the prompt "I Like Your Story Because" Share stories in pairs Open write
• Day 26: Write a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Introduce penpals and friendly letters Discuss parts of a letter Model writing a friendly letter Rough draft of letter

• Day 27: Write a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Review parts of a letter Good copy of friendly letter Review statements and questions Place correct end mark on sentences
• Day 28: Write scary words and sentences to generate writing ideas	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Read Harry and the Terrible Whatzit aloud Discuss the story List scary words/things Model writing scary sentences SW write scary sentences
Day 29: Identify and list story elements	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Review scary words/sentences Discuss story elements List characters, settings, problems, and solutions for a scary story Identify statements and questions
• Day 30: Use sentences and listed story elements to write a scary story	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2. <mark>W.NW.2.3</mark> W.WP.2.4	 Review sentences and story elements Model writing a scary story using sentences and listed story elements SW begin rough draft of story
• Day 31: Write a story	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2. <mark>W.NW.2.3</mark>	 Finish writing scary stories Jeopardy game for sentences
• Day 32: Reread stories and add descriptive detail	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2. W.NW.2.3 W.WP.2.4	 Read The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything aloud Model rereading to add sight and sound words Reread stories and add sight and sound words
Day 33: Share writing	SL.PE.2.1 SL.ES.2.3	 Review the prompt "I Like Your Story Because" Share writing
• Day 34: Publish writing	W.WP.2.4	Type scary storiesDraw a picture to go with story

	W.NW.2.3	
• Day 35: Open write	W.RW.2.7	Write freelyIntroduce Author's Chair

Inclusive concepts
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SWBAT think before writing SWBAT tell more in a story SWBAT hold conferences with partners SWBAT write stories

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
• Day 1: Think about what to write before writing	L.WF.2.1 L.WF.2.3 L.KL.2.1 W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 Pair students and discuss working together Model thinking before writing Model telling more and using temporal words Work with partners to visualize and tell stories orally before writing Write about a fun time outdoors Reflect on writing
Day 2: Reread and tell more	L.WF.2.1 L.WF.2.3 L.KL.2.1 <mark>W.NW.2.3</mark> W.RW.2.7	 Model rereading and telling more SW reread stories and discuss telling more with partners SW tell more and add details to stories Share stories with partners Reflect on partner work

• Day 3: Think about what to write before writing	L.WF.2.1 L.WF.2.3 L.KL.2.1 W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 Add "Picture the story in your mind and talk with a partner" to the "Ways to Get Writing Ideas" chart Model thinking before writing and write a shared story SW visualize and tell stories orally with their partner SW write about a fantasy trip Reflect on writing
 Day 4: Reread and tell more 	L.WF.2.1 L.WF.2.3 L.KL.2.1 W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 Model rereading and telling more Reread stories and discuss telling more with partner SW tell more and add details to stories Share stories with partners Reflect on partner work
● Day 5: Open write	L.WF.2.1 L.WF.2.3 W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 Choice: write freely, work on previous story Introduce commands and exclamations Sort commands and exclamations
 Day 6: Write lists to aid in telling more 	L.WF.2.3 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Add "Hear and read other people's writing" to the "Ways to Get Writing Ideas" chart Read I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato aloud Make a shared list of likes and dislikes SW make lists of likes and dislikes Share lists with partners Commands and exclamations IXL
• Day 7: Write stories using ideas from lists	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7	 Share writing ideas in pairs Introduce paragraphs Model writing first paragraph (likes) SW write first paragraph (likes) Model writing second paragraph (dislikes) SW will write second paragraph
 Day 8: Reread and tell more 	W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Model telling more in paragraphs Reread stories and discuss telling more Tell more and add details

		Command and exclamation worksheet
• Day 9: Publish writing	W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Reread story Type story Free write Commands and exclamations quiz
• Day 10: Author's chair	L.WF.2.3 SL.PE.2.1	 Administer command and exclamation quiz Share writing
• Day 11: Visualize and tell stories orally before writing	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 L.WF.2.3	 Read aloud "Let's get a Pup!", said Kate Discuss how the author tells more Visualize and tell stories orally (ask questions about a pet they have or would like to have) Write about the pet (15-20 min.) Introduce adjectives
• Day 12: Reread and tell more	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 L.WF.2.3	 Discuss telling more in "Let's Get a Pup!" Said Kate Introduce pair conferences and giving feedback Confer in pairs Display the "Writing Time" chart Reread writing Add more detail and check for capitalization and punctuation
• Day 13: Make up characters and write stories	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 L.WF.2.3	 Discuss sharing one another's thinking Read Sheila Rae the Brave aloud and discuss Discuss telling more about characters Write for 15 min. Focusing on telling more about a character Adjective sort
Day 14: Reread and tell more about a	W.RW.2.7	Model giving feedback

character	SL.PE.2.1	 Confer in pairs Display the "Writing Time" chart and write
● Day 15: Open write	W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Write freely Introduce adverbs (discuss difference between adjectives and adverbs)
• Day 16: Write about something interesting that happens to a character	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Read aloud Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day Discuss how the author tells more Display the "Writing Time" chart and write about something interesting that happens to a character
• Day 17: Reread and tell more about a character	W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Review giving feedback Confer in pairs Display the "Writing Time" chart and write
Day 18: Write a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Review parts of a letter Rough draft of letter
Day 19: Write a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3. W.RW.2.	 Good copy of friendly letter Review adjectives and adverbs Adjectives and adverbs jeopardy
• Day 20: Open write	W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.3	 Write freely Adjectives and adverbs sort

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Unit 3 Learning Goals: Fiction SWBAT read, discuss and write fiction. SWBAT choose writing topics. SWBAT think and talk about story ideas before they write. SWBAT reread their writing and tell more. SWBAT explore and punctuate dialogue. SWBAT finish, proofread and publish a fictional draft. SWBAT differentiate between nouns, verbs and adjectives and use all parts of speech in their writing.

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts Beardream Ducky Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
Day 1: Identifying fictional story elements	W.NW.2.3	 Watch "Short Story" on Brainpopjr.com Brainstorm characters, settings, and plots for a winter/holiday story.
• Day 2: Brainstorming and organizing ideas for a short story	L.WF.2.3 <mark>W.NW.2.3</mark>	 Teacher model filling in a story map SW fill in a story map SW identify "nouns" as a person, place, thing, or animal (review naming parts) and make a list of nouns
• Days 3-4: Writing a short story	W.NW.2.3	 Teacher will model how to use a story map to write a short story. SW use their story map to write a short story.

		Practice page to identify nouns
 Day 5: Publishing their writing 	W.WP.2.4	•SW type their story on Chromebook •Student/Teacher conferences to revise and edit published copy •Practice page to identify nouns
 Day 6: Sharing writing 	L.WF.2.3	 Author's Chair -Students will read their story aloud to the class SW identify "verbs" as action words Practice page where students identify the verb in a sentence (review telling part)
• Day 7: Writing about animal/monster characters	W.NW.2.3	 Teacher read aloud: Dogzilla by Dav Make a list of animal characters (nouns) they could write about Practice page to determine if a word is a noun or a verb
• Day 8: Writing about animal/monster character	W.NW.2.3	 Brainstorm a list of character traits Teacher will read short descriptions of an animal/monster and students will infer character traits and tell why. SW identify character traits as adjectives/describing words Practice page to identify adjectives
• Day 9: Creating an animal/monster character	W.NW.2.3	 SW think and talk about ideas before they write. SW iillustrate an animal/monster character SWI decide which character traits their character will possess Practice page to identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives
• Day 10: Writing about an animal/monster character	W.NW.2.3 L.WF.2.3	 SW write about their animal/monster by using descriptive words and telling details that prove their traits Show examples of dialogue/quotation marks SW add in dialogue and use quotation marks. Practice page to identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives

• Day 11:Sharing writing with partner	W.WP.2.4	 SW confer in pairs and revise their writing by adding descriptive words/dialogue Practice page to identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives
• Day 12: Making up an ending to a Story	W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	SW listen to Beardream.SW write an ending to the story and share
Day 13:Writing about toys that come to Life	W.NW.2.3 W.RW.2.7	SW listen to DuckySW write about toys that come to life.
 Day 14: Assessing / Open write 	L.WF.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 SW be assessed on nouns, verbs, and adjectives. Write freely about an animal character
Day 15: Reviewing letter writing	L.WF.2.3 W.RW.2.7	 SW identify parts of a letter SW write a letter to their penpal

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Unit 4 Learning Goals: Nonfiction
SWBAT explore and write nonfiction SWBAT ask and answer questions SWBAT write questions and facts SWBAT write functional nonfiction SWBAT write expository nonfiction

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
• Day 1: Generate questions about a nonfiction topic	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7 W.WR.2.5	 Pair students and introduce nonfiction Read part of Kate and Pippin aloud (pgs. 2-19) Discuss Make a chart of questions about Kate and Pippin SW write questions about Kate and Pippin in writing notebook
• Day 2: Write about a nonfiction topic as a class (shared writing)	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7	 Review Kate and Pippin Read the rest of Kate and Pippin aloud and discuss Write a shared nonfiction piece about Kate and Pippin Reflect on questioning as part of nonfiction writing

Day 3: Write interview questions	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7 W.WR.2.5	 Read "Q&A with Isobel Sringett" aloud Model writing questions and interviewing a partner SW think before writing Write interview questions
• Day 4: Interview partner	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7	 Read through interview questions Review interviewing partner Interview partner Share interesting information about partners
• Day 5: Write about how to be a friend	SL.PE.2.1 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark> SL.UM.2.5	 Read How to Be a friend aloud Discuss the use of illustrations Think before writing Write about being a good friend
Day 6: Write observations about paper	SL.PE.2.1 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Discuss the role of observation in nonfiction Model writing descriptions of paper SW write descriptions of paper with partner Play "Name that Paper" (game using written observations)
• Day 7: Write facts and questions about paper	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7 W.IW.2.2	 Explore book features and read Paper aloud Write facts about paper as a class Discuss how paper is used in the classroom Write about paper in the classroom Discuss and list questions about paper
• Day 8: Observe an experiment and contribute to a shared writing about it	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7 W.IW.2.2 L.WF.2.2	 Teach discussion prompts Introduce the "Which Is Stronger" experiment Conduct and write about the "Which Is Stronger" experiment (shared writing) Review nouns and introduce plural nouns
• Day 9: Observe an experiment and write about it in pairs	SL.PE.2.1 W.RW.2.7 W.IW.2.2	 Briefly review discussion prompts Introduce the "Suck It Up" experiment Conduct the "Suck It Up" experiment Write about the "Suck It Up" experiment Share writing in groups of four

• Day 10: Open write	W.RW.2.7 L.WF.2.2	 Write freely Introduce plural noun rule One (most nouns you just add s) Plural noun worksheet
• Day 11: Write questions and list information about nonfiction	W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Briefly review discussion prompts Read parts of Polar Lands aloud and discuss (pgs. 6-7 and 10-11) Reread and list information learned Think before writing Discuss and write questions about Polar Lands
Day 12: List information about nonfiction	L.WF.2.2 W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Share questions about Polar Lands Read more about the Polar Lands from Polar Regions (pgs. 6-9) Reread and list more information learned Read more about the Polar Lands from Polar Animals (pgs. 4-5) Introduce Plural Noun rule two (add es to words ending in sh, ch, z, s, or z)
Day 13: Write about nonfiction	W.IW.2.2	 Review information about Polar lands Write about Polar lands
• Day 14: Write questions and list information about nonfiction	W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Read more of Polar Lands aloud (pgs. 18-19 and 28-29) Reread and list information Think before writing Discuss and write questions about polar animals
• Day 15: Write nonfiction	L.WF.2.2 W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 W.IW.2.2	 Share questions about polar animals Read more of Polar Animals aloud (pgs. 10-11 and 20-21) Reread and list more information Read more about polar animals from Polar lands (pgs. 14-15 and 24-25 Write about polar animals Review plural noun rules learned so far

• Day 16: Write questions and list information about nonfiction	W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1	 Briefly review discussion prompts Read more of Polar Regions and Polar Lands aloud (pgs. 20-21 Polar Regions and 30-31 Polar Lands) Reread and list information Think before writing Discuss and write questions about the people who live in the Polar lands
• Day 17: List information and write about nonfiction	W.WR.2.5 W.RW.2.7 SL.PE.2.1 W.IW.2.2	 Share questions about people who live in the Polar Lands Read more of Polar Lands aloud (pgs. 32-33) Reread and list more information Read more about the people who live in the Polar Lands (pgs. 36-37) Write about the people who live in the Polar lands
• Day 18: Select pieces of nonfiction to review, edit, and publish	SL.PE.2.1 W.IW.2.2 L.WF.2.2	 Review work and select drafts to publish Confer in pairs with chosen piece of writing Work on chosen nonfiction pieces Introduce plural noun rule three (drop the y and ies to words ending in y after a consonant)
• Day 19: Use descriptive language in writing	L.WF.2.3 SL.PE.2.1	 Discuss descriptive language Reread writing and discuss adding descriptive language Add descriptive language Confer in pairs
● Day 20: Open Day	W.IW.2.2 L.WF.2.2 W.RW.2.7	 Finish nonfiction pieces or write freely Introduce plural noun rule four (add s to words ending in y after a vowel)
• Day 21: Proofread nonfiction pieces for spelling, punctuation, and capitalization	L.WF.2.2 W.WP.2.4	 Discuss proofreading for spelling Check for spelling (teacher will confer with individual students) Read aloud quietly to check for punctuation and capitalization

		 Introduce plural noun rule five (change f or fe to ves)
• Day 22: Write and illustrate final versions of nonfiction pieces	SL.UM.2.5 W.RW.2.7 W.IW.2.2	 Explore illustrations and diagrams in nonfiction Reread nonfiction pieces and discuss adding illustrations or diagrams Write and illustrate final versions
• Day 23: Complete final versions of nonfiction pieces	W.IW.2.2	 Discuss procedures for making books Discuss book covers and features of nonfiction books Complete final versions and make books
• Day 24:	L.WF.2.2 SL.PE.2.1	 Review nonfiction Review responsible behavior during author's chair Share books from the author's chair Introduce plural noun rule six (irregular nouns)
• Day 25:Open Write	L.WF.2.2 W.RW.2.7	Write freelyPlural noun jeopardy

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Unit 5 Learning Goals: Letter Writing

SWBAT listen to, read, and discuss friendly letters SWBAT explore parts of a friendly letter SWBAT write friendly letters to classmates, penpals, and parents. SWBAT explore punctuation in a friendly letter.

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts First Year Letters Dear Baby: Letter from Your Big Brother I Wanna Iguana I Wanna New Room Love Lizzie:Letters to a Military Mom Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers (Blank Friendly Letter) YouTube- Homeschool Pop Videos

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
 Day 1: Identifying Letter Parts 	L.WF.2.3	 Sing "Letter Parts" song Show examples of friendly letters Introduce proper nouns (Names of people and animals)
• Day 2: Writing a friendly letter to the teacher	L.WF.2.3	 Listen to First Year Letters Write a letter to the teacher using a blank letter organized by parts. Practice Page- Writing peoples' full names with capital letters including titles and initials
• Day 3: Writing a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 Listen to Dear Baby: Letters from Your Big Brother Write a friendly letter to a classmate IXL- Capitalizing the names of people and pets

• Day 4: Writing a friendly reply letter	L.WF.2.3	 Write a response to their classmates' letter. Introduce Proper Nouns- Names of places (stores, restaurants, cities, states, countries, etc)
• Day 5: Focusing on punctuation in a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 Listen to "I Wanna Iguana" On Smartboard- Insert punctuation on a letter that is missing commas Practice Page- Capitalize names of places
• Day 6: Writing a friendly persuasive letter	L.WF.2.3	 Write a letter to their parents asking for a pet Add at least 3 persuasive details IXL - Capitalizing the names of places and geographical features
• Day 7: Revising, editing, and rewriting a letter	L.WF.2.3	 SW check for punctuation and rewrite their persuasive letter to their parent Introduce Proper Nouns- Names of Things (days, months, games, toys, etc.)
• Day 8: Writing a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 Watch "Proper Nouns" on Brainpopjr.com Write a letter to the person of their choice (finish persuasive letters) Practice Page- Capitalize days of the week and months
 Day 9: Sharing their writing 	L.WF.2.3, SL, PE.2.1, L.KL2.1	 SW read their persuasive letter to the class. Watch "Common and Proper Nouns for Kids" on Youtube (HomeschoolPop-12 min.) Proper Noun Assessment
• Day 10: Writing a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 SW write a letter to their penpal. Brainstorm a list of verbs Review -ing, -ed, and introduce irregular verbs (see/saw, run/ran, give/gave, etc.)
• Day 11: Writing a friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 Rewrite their penpal letter. Practice page- Use verbs in the correct tense.
Day 12: Reviewing Letter Writing	L.WF.2.3	 Listen to "I Wanna New Room" Practice page- Use verbs in the correct

		tense.
• Day 13: Listening to a story that includes friendly letter	L.WF.2.3	 Listen to Love Lizzie: Letters to a Military Mom Practice page- Verb Tenses
• Day 14: Writing a friendly letter to a person they do not know	L.WF.2.3	 SW write a friendly letter to a veteran Verb Tense Assessment IXL- Capitalizing Greeting and Closings of letters

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Unit 6 Learning Goals: Poetry
SWBAT hear and discuss poems SWBAT write an acrostic poem SWBAT write a haiku SWBAT write a cinquain SWBAT write a diamante SWBAT write a limerick

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud texts Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
• Day 1: Discuss poetry	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 L.WF.2.3	 Introduce poetry Watch "Poems" on brainpopjr Discuss what students know about poetry Read a selection of poem from "Where the Sidewalk Ends" and discuss Punctuation review (worksheet)
• Day 2: Discuss poetry	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 L.WF.2.3	 Read and discuss "Treehouse" Read and discuss "Boa Constrictor" Discuss how poems look different than stories Punctuation review (worksheet)
 Day 3: Discuss and write poetry 	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read and visualize "The Coyote" Read and visualize "The Tiger"" Brainstorm poem topics Model writing an acrostic poem

		• SW write rough draft of acrostic poem
 Day 4: Discuss and write poetry 	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 L.WF.2.3 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read and discuss "Knoxville Tennessee" Introduce Haiku Generate ideas for Haiku Model writing a Haiku SW write rough draft of haiku Punctuation review (smartboard activity)
 Day 5:Discuss and write poetry 	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read and discuss "Lettuce" Read and discuss "Peaches" Introduce cinquain Model writing a cinquain SW write rough draft of cinquain
• Day 6: List descriptive words about an object	SL.PE.2.1 L.VI.2.3 L.WF.2.3 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	 Read and discuss "My Baby Brother" Discuss descriptive words in poetry Brainstorm objects Choose an object and write descriptive words Punctuation review (IXL)
• Day 7: Write poetry	W.RW.2.7	 Introduce a diamante Brainstorm ideas for a diamante Model writing a diamante SW write a diamante
• Day 8: Write poetry	W.RW.2.7	 Introduce a limerick Watch "Rhyming Words" on brainpopjr Model writing a limerick SW write a limerick
Day 9: Write and illustrate poetry	SL.UM.2.5 W.RW.2.7	 Review poetry Read through rough drafts of poems Illustrate and write good copy of acrostic
Day 10: Write and illustrate poetry	SL.UM.2.5 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	Illustrate and write good copy of haiku
 Day 11:Write and illustrate poetry 	SL.UM.2.5 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	Illustrate and write good copy of cinquain

Day 12: Write and illustrate poetry	SL.UM.2.5 W.RW.2.7	Illustrate and write good copy of diamante
Day 13: Write and illustrate poetry	SL.UM.2.5 <mark>W.RW.2.7</mark>	Illustrate and write good copy of limerick
Day 14: Make book cover	SL.UM.2.5 W.RW.2.7	 Illustrate and make cover of poetry book
Day 15: Share poetry book	SL.PE.2.1	Author's chair

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Unit 7 Learning Goals: Opinion Writing

SWBAT determine between fact and opinion.

SWBAT hear and discuss opinion writing.

SWBAT write persuasively for an identified purpose and audience. SWBAT generate opinions they feel strongly about and write persuasive pieces.

SWBAT write opening and closing sentences that express their opinions.

SWBAT write reasons to support their opinions and use linking words to connect reasons to opinions.

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Read aloud articles/excerpts Collaborative Classroom Learning Portal 	 Charts IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers YouTube- Homeschool Pop Videos Opinion Writing Prompts (TPT- by Inspire Me ASAP) Opinion Articles

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
• Day 1: Determining between fact or opinion	W.AW.2.1	 Watch "Facts and Opinions" on brainpopjr.com Practice Page- Determining Fact or Opinion
• Day 2: Identifying audience for Opinion Writing	W.AW.2.1, W.WP.2.4	 Show examples of opinion articles Discuss pros and cons of assigned seats in the cafeteria. Make lists. Have students state their opinion on the issue. Decide who we would give these paragraphs to.

• Day 3: Explore writing clear statements of opinion.	W.WR.2.5, W.AW.2.1	 Read two articles about why assigned seats are good in the cafeteria and why they are not good in the cafeteria. Have students state their opinion. Show how to write their opinion as a sentence. Introduce transition/linking words.
 Day 4: Use reasons to support opinions 	W.SE.2.6, W.AW.2.1	 Using a graphic organizer, SW add at least three reasons to support their opinions. Model using transition words before reasons.
• Day 5: Explore closing statements that restate their opinions	L.RF.2.4, SL.ES.2.3, <mark>W.WP.2.4, W.AW.2.1</mark> , L.KL2.1	 Model restating their opinion at the end of their paragraph or show how to rephrase their opinion. Share writing with their partner Teacher conference
 Day 6: Publish their writing for intended audience 	L.RF.2.4, <mark>W.WP.2.4, W.AW.2.1</mark> , L.KL2.1	 SW type their paragraph to give to lunch aide, principal, superintendent, etc. Share their writing with the class Teacher conference
Day 7: Identify compound sentences	L.WF.2.3	 Review complete simple sentences with naming part and telling part. Introduce conjunctions (and, or, but) and show examples of compound sentences Practice page determining if a sentence is simple or compound.
•Day 8-9: Explore writing opinion statements and reasons.	W.WR.2.5, W.SE.2.6, W.AW.2.1	 SW read an article that shares opinions on printed books vs. e-books. Using a graphic organizer: SW write an opening sentence. SW write at least 3 reasons to support their opinion, including transition/linking words. SW write a closing sentence
• Day 10: Write compound sentences.	L.WF.2.3	• With a partner, SW match one simple sentence with another simple sentence and add a conjunction in between. SW write 3 sentences using correct punctuation and capitalization.

•Day 11: Use punctuation correctly	L.WF.2.3	Practice page- Using commas in the date
Day 12: Use punctuation correctly	L.WF.2.3	 Practice page- Using commas between city and state
•Day 13: Use punctuation correctly	L.WF.2.3	 Practice page- Using commas in a series.
• Day 14: Free Write	W.AW.2.1, L.WF.2.3	 SW write an opinion paragraph on their own chosen topic, including an opening sentence, at least 3 reasons, closing sentence, and at least one compound sentence. Assess students' writing

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Unit 8 Learning Goals: Review

SWBAT use skills and concepts taught throughout the year to write and publish a fictional, descriptive story.

Core Instructional Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Teacher Created Sample Book Chromebook 	 IXL Writing/Journal Notebook Grammar worksheets Centers Brainpopjr.com Graphic Organizers (sensory web) YouTube- Homeschool Pop Videos

Daily Targets	NJSLS Performance Expectations	Instructional Activities
• Day 1: Using skills and concepts taught throughout the year to write a fictional story.	W.IW.2.3	 Listen to an example of a Fuzzy Ball Surprise story. Brainstorm nouns for various fuzzy ball colors
• Day 2: Brainstorming ideas using their senses	W.IW.2.3	 Students pick a fuzzy ball color and make a list of ideas Select 4 ideas to describe Watch "Writing with Your Senses" on brainpopjr.com
• Days 3-4: Organizing their ideas/thoughts before writing	W.IW.2.3	 Introduce a sensory map Teacher model how to fill in a map for an idea SW fill in 4 sensory maps; one for each idea; visualizing being that object/noun
•Day 5-8: Writing a descriptive story paragraphs	W.RW.2.7 W.IW.2.3	 Teacher model how to use a sensory web to write a descriptive story using adjectives, similes, simple and compound sentences. SW write 4 story paragraphs.

•Day 9: Revising and editing their writing	W.WP.2.4 L.WF.2.3	Teacher-Student conferences
Days 10-11: Publishing their writing	W.WP.2.4	•SWI type each paragraph
Days 12-13: Visualizing and illustrating their writing	W.WP.2.4	• SW visualize their writing and draw/color a picture to go with each idea!
Days 14-16: Sharing their writing	L.KL2.1	 SW read their writing to the class. SW read to younger grades to share their writing.

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