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Lesson	Title	Standards Connection	Skill	
Unit 1: Language Conventions				
Lesson 1	Phonics	L.K.1, 2 L.1.1, 2 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Interpretive	consonants, vowels, upper- and lowercase letters, consonant/short vowel phonemes, letter-sound relationships	
Lesson 2	Word Parts	L.K.4 L.1.4 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Interpretive	prefixes, suffixes, roots, compound words	
Lesson 3	Word Meanings	L.K.5 L.1.5 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Interpretive	context clues, categories, synonyms, antonyms, homographs, shades of meaning	
Lesson 4	Rules of English	L.K.1, 2 L.1.1, 2 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Interpretive	capitalization, end marks, commas	
Lesson 5	Grammar	L.K.1 L.1.1 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Interpretive	essentials of grammar	
Unit 2: E	lements of Writing			
Lesson 6	Writing a Sentence	L.K.1, 5, 6; W.K.5, 6 L.1.1, 5, 6; W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	writing a sentence; asking a question	
Lesson 7	Writing a Paragraph	L.K.1, 5, 6; W.K.5, 6 L.1.1, 5, 6; W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	how to write a good, single paragraph	
Lesson 8	Main Idea and Details	W.K.5, 6 W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	recognizing main idea and supporting details	
Lesson 9	Alike and Different	W.K.5, 6 W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	understanding similarities and differences	
Lesson 10	The Writing Process	W.K.5, 6 W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Expressive	using 5 steps: Think, Draw, Write, Change, Share	
Unit 3: Types of Writing				
Lesson II	Personal Writing	W.K.5, 6 W.1.5, 6 ELD-LA.K-1.Narrate.Expressive	formal and informal writing	
Lesson 12	Opinion Writing	W.K.1 W.1.1 ELD-LA.K-1.Argue.Expressive	stating and supporting an opinion or argument	

Lesson	Title	Standards Connection	Skill
Lesson 13	Story Writing	W.K.3 W.1.3 ELD-LA.K-1.Narrate.Expressive	telling a story with a beginning, middle, and end
Lesson 14	Descriptive Writing	W.K.2 W.1.2 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	creating a word picture
Lesson 15	Informative Writing	W.K.2 W.1.2 ELD-LA.K-1.Inform.Expressive	using facts and details to inform
Unit 4: R	Research		
Lesson 16	Picking a Topic	W.K.7 W.1.7 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	determining a topic
Lesson 17	Finding Facts	W.K.8 W.1.8 ELD-LA.K-1.Explain.Expressive	finding print and digital sources
Lesson 18	Writing the Report	W.K.7 W.1.7 ELD-LA.2-3.Explain.Expressive	writing the paper

ELP Descriptors

The Write Track series is designed for students at proficiency levels 2–5. Language differentiation suggestions are provided for each lesson; however, lessons are probably not suitable for level 1 or Newcomer students.

WIDA	Entering	Emerging	Developing	Expanding	Bridging
TESOL	Starting	Emerging	Developing	Expanding	Bridging
New York	Entering	Emerging	Transitioning	Expanding	Commanding
Texas	Beginning	Beg./Int.	Intermediate	Advanced	Advanced High
ELPA21	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5

Vocabulary _

To comprehend oral or written language, students need to understand words and their definitions, how to use the words correctly, and the definitions of related words. They should be able to discuss a text using the words correctly. Each lesson in this teacher's edition identifies vocabulary by tiers as defined on the next page.

Total Time: 90 minutes

Introduction: 30 minutes
Guided Practice: 30 minutes
Independent Practice: 30 minutes

Vocabulary

Tier 3: closing sentence, examples, fact, opinion, reasons, topic sentence

Writing Standards Connection

W.K.1 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., *My favorite book is . . .*)

W.1.1 Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or name the book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure

- Use the five-step writing process
- State an opinion and support it with reasons
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WORK WITH PAGES 164-165

Read about opinion writing on page 164.

Instructional Note: Spend some time discussing the difference between opinions and facts. You will probably find that many students are unable to distinguish between them at times. For example, they may believe that a very firm opinion is really a fact or is as powerful as a fact. Discuss the kind of proof required to make something a fact.

Direct students to Guided Practice on page 165.

Read the writing prompt.

Read about Step 1: Think.

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12 Opinion Writing

Sometimes, you write to tell what you think or feel. You give your **opinion**. Then you give facts, examples, and reasons for your opinion. A **fact** is a true statement. It can be proved.

Your writing should have a **topic sentence**. This sentence tells the reader your opinion. Your writing should end with a **closing sentence**. This sentence sums up what you have said.

You need to plan you ideas when you write to give your opinion.

- 1. Tell your opinion.
- 2. Use facts, examples, and reasons to support your opinion.
- 3. Use linking words to connect your opinion with your reasons. Some linking words are because, and, and also.
- End your opinion writing with a closing sentence.

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Guided Practice

Read the writing assignment. Then answer the questions.

Write a short book report to tell your classmates about your favorite book.

Be sure to:

- give your opinion in the first sentence
- use facts and examples in your supporting sentences
- follow the steps of the writing process



Here is how one student, Sam, answers the question. First, he reads the question. Then he underlines important words in the question.

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WORK WITH PAGES 166–167

Have students write their answers to the question on page 166. Point out the hint box below the question. Tell students the hint box will help them answer the question.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the question.

Continue reading the text on page 166.

Sample answers

What words did Sam probably underline?

1. book report

2. your classmates

3. give your opinion

4. facts and examples

The Look for the words that best explain what Sam will do while answering the question.

This question asks Sam to write a short book report for his classmates. The report has to give an opinion in the first sentence. It has to use facts and examples in supporting sentences. Sam uses a main opinion and facts chart. It helps him put his thoughts together.

Explain that the graphic organizer shows reasons and facts to support the writer's opinion.

The next step is to decide on an opinion about the subject. What is his favorite book?

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Sam uses an opinion chart to plan his writing. He writes his opinion. He writes reasons for the opinion.

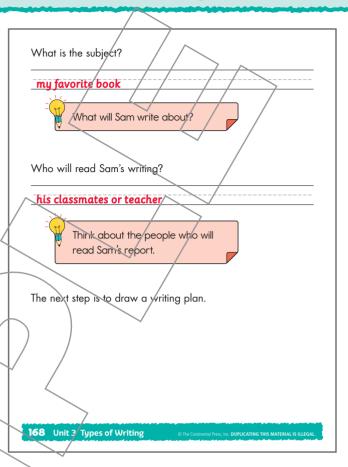
My Opinion	My favorite book is <u>Green Eggs</u> and Ham.
Fact 1	Written by Dr. Seuss
Fact 2	About a boy named Sam
Fact 3	One character does not like green eggs and ham.
Fact 4	Sam wants him to try green eggs and ham.
Fact 5	The other character tries green eggs and ham and likes them.

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WORK WITH PAGES 168–169

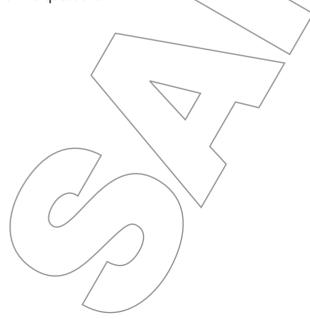
Have students write their answers to the guestions on page 168. Point out the hint boxes below the questions. Tell students the hint boxes will help them answer the auestions.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the questions.



Read about Step 2: Draw.

Have students write their answers to the questions on pages 169 and 170. Point out the hint boxes below the questions. Tell students the hint boxes will help them. answer the questions.





Drawing puts your ideas from Step 1 together on paper. Adding labels to your pictures helps explain and add detail.

Here is Sam's drawing of what he will write about. Look at the pictures. Then answer the questions.







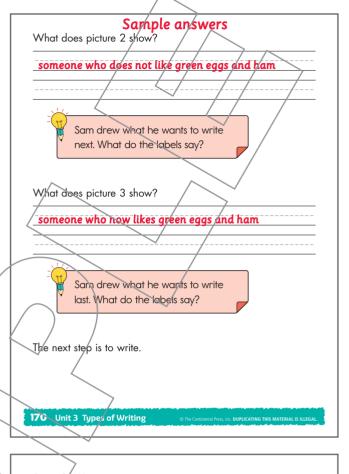
Sample answer: Sam and his dad with a book

Sam drew what he wants to write first. What do the labels say?

WORK WITH PAGES 170–171

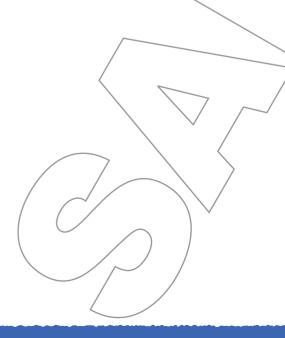
Have students answer the questions.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the questions.



Read about Step 3: Write.

Read the student writing on pages 1/11 and 172.



Step 3: Write

You planned and thought out your ideas in Steps 1 and 2. Now it is time to write your answer. Use your chart and drawings to help.

Read what Sam wrote. Then answer the questions.

My favorite book: Green Eggs and Ham

The best book in the world is Green eggs and Ham. Dr. Seuss wrote it. I got the book for my 2nd birthday. I could read it. So,

dad read it to me a lot.

The book is about two characters. One of them is named Sam. Sam keeps trying to get the other character to eat green eggs and ham. The other character keeps saying he does not like them. Many things happen. Sam keeps asking the character to try them. Finally, the other character gets tired of saying no. He tries the green eggs and ham. He finds out that he likes them

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WORK WITH PAGES 172–173

Have students write their answers to the questions on pages 172 and 173. Point out the hint boxes below the questions. Tell students the hint boxes will help them answer the questions.

The book is grate. The author tells people
to try new things. The book teaches a good
lesson. The book is very funny. I like that one
character is named Sam. My name is Sam,
too. It is cool that the character has my
name.

Underline Sam's topic sentence.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the questions.

Read about Step 4: Change.

Is the last sentence a good closing sentence?

___ Yes

X No

Why? Sample answer

The sentence did not give a good reason. The sentence

does not support his opinion.



The last sentence should sum up the main points.

The next step is to fix any mistakes.

Step 4: Change

The next step is to make any changes your writing needs.

- Does it make sense?
- Do I need more details?
- Are words spelled correctly?
- Are punctuation marks used correctly?

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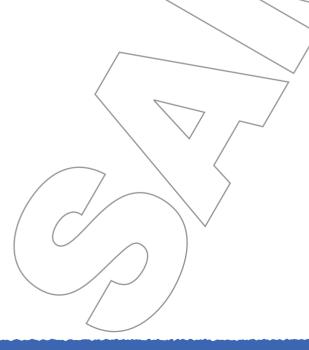
WORK WITH PAGES 174–175

Read the revised draft on pages 174 and 175.

Use the reproducible proofreading symbol chart on page 158 of the Appendix to explain what the symbols mean. Discuss the different proofreading symbols and how they are used to indicate what changes should be made.

Read Sam's writing on pages 171 and 172 again. He added words to make it better. My favorite book: Green Eggs and Ham The best book in the world is Green eggs and Ham. Dr. Seuss wrote it. I got the book for my 2nd birthday I could read it. So, dad read it to me a lot. The book is about two characters. One of them is named Sam. Sam keep's trying to get the other character to eat green eggs and ham. The other character keeps saying he does not like them. Many things happen. Sam keeps asking the character to try them. Finally, the other character gets tired of saying no. He tries the green eggs and ham. He finds out that he likes them 174 Unit 3 Types of Writing

Have students answer the questions on pages 175 and 176. Point out the hint boxes below the questions. Tell students the hint boxes will help them answer the questions.



The book is grate. The author tells people
to try new things. The book teaches a good
lesson. The book is very funny. I like that one
character is named Sam. My name is Sam,
too. It is cool that the character has my
name.
Everyone should read Green Eggs and Ham!

What word did Sam add to sentence 4?
A green
B ham
C not
D funny

What shows a new word was added?

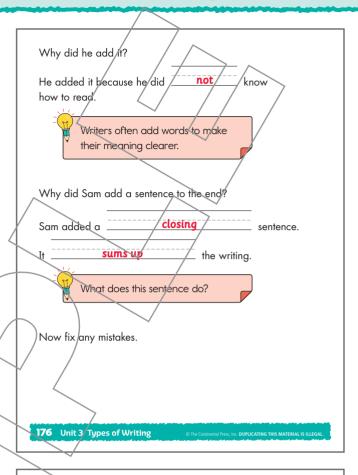
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WORK WITH PAGES 176-177

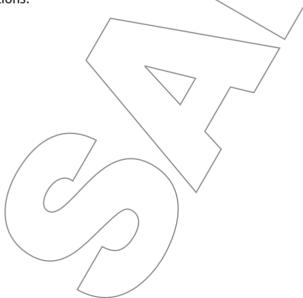
Have students answer the questions.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the questions.



Tell students that they will now find and correct mistakes in the student writing.

Have students answer the questions on pages 177 and 178. Point out the hint boxes below the questions. Tell students the hint boxes will help them answer the questions.



Find and correct three mistakes in the writing.

Read the sentence.

So, dad read it to me a lot.

Which word should be capitalized?

(A dad)

B read

C it

D me

What kinds of words use capital letters?

Read the sentence. Then add the end mark that belongs.

He finds out that he likes them. or!

How does the character feel at the end? Is he mad? Is he surprised?

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WORK WITH PAGES 178–179

Have students answer the question.

When students have completed the activity, review it together. Have students share their answers to the questions.

Direct students' attention to Step 5: Share.

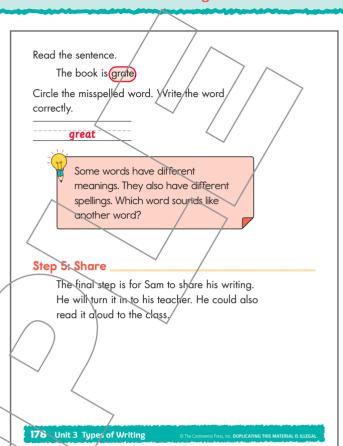
Read about Step 5: Share.

Direct students' attention to the Independent Practice on page 179. Explain that students will complete the Independent Practice on their own. Students can complete it at home or during class.

Read the passage and writing assignment.

Language Differentiation

Review fact and opinion with students. Then have students think about their own favorite book. Ask them to say one fact about the book. Then have them give an opinion they have about the book.





Read or listen to the passage and the writing assignment. Then answer the questions.

Step 1: Think

Birthday Celebrations

We all have a birthday. We celebrate it in different ways. In the United States, people have a special cake with candles on top. They must blow out all of the candles at the same time. In China, they eat special noodles for lunch. They are a wish for a long life. In Korea, people have seaweed soup. They eat rice cakes, too. These cakes have nuts and fruits. In Russia, they have a birthday pie. It has a message carved into the crust on top. In India, children share chocolates with classmates. There are many ways to celebrate a birthday!



WORK WITH PAGES 180–181

Continue to read the writing assignment. Answer any questions students may have. Make sure students understand the expectations for the assignment.

Tell students that it is important to first take notes and organize their thoughts before writing.

Have students answer the questions on page 180.

Instructional Note: If students have any concerns about this writing activity, assure them that their job is to do the best they can to write in English. Explain that their responses will help you to understand their progress in learning English. Point out that these types of questions are made to tell their teachers the English skills they have and the skills they still need to learn. Students should complete the writing prompt or their own.

Write an article for the class newsjetter. Tell what you think is the best way to celebrate a birthday.

Be sure to:

• give your opinion clearly in the first sentence
• use facts and examples in your supporting sentences
• follow the steps of the writing process

1. What kind of writing are you being asked to do?

I will write my opinion

2. Who will read your writing?

My class will read it.

Have students complete the graphic organizer on page 181. Encourage students to use words, phrases, or sentences to complete the organizer. Circulate to provide support.

Sample answers
Fill in the chart to plan your writing.

Main Opinion	The best way to celebrate a birthday is with a cake.
Reason 1	Cake is good, and you can eat ice cream with it.
Reason 2	Candles are pretty on top of the cake.
Reason 3	It makes you feel good when people sing to you.
Reason 4	It is fun to blow out the candles.

Enrich the Lesson

Ask students to write about their favorite book.

WORK WITH PAGES 182–183

Direct students to draw their pictures on page 182.

Tell them they should draw what they will write about. Have students use the graphic organizer on page 181 to help them draw their pictures. Have students add labels to their pictures to make them clear.

Direct students to write their draft on page 183. Have students use the graphic organizer on page 181 and their pictures on page 182 to help them write their draft. Tell students that it is helpful to a reader if they provide details in their sentences. Circulate to provide support as needed.

Have them read over their writing. Encourage students to make any necessary changes to correct punctuation, spelling, or grammar mistakes.

To publish, have students write their final answer on a separate piece of paper. They can share their writing by turning it in to the teacher. They can also share it by reading it aloud to their classmates.

Step 2: Draw 4. Draw what you will write about. Use the chart on page 181 to help you. Use labels to make your picture clear.

Step 3: Write Sample answer

Step 4: Change

5. Write your article. Then read each sentence. Make changes to fix any mistakes.

The best way to celebrate a birthday is with a

birthday cake. The cake is good to eat. You can

eat ice cream with it, too. Candles look pretty on

top of the cake. It is fun to blow out the candles

and make a wish. People sing to you before you

blow out the candles. This makes you feel good.

Step 5: Share

Write your final article on a separate sheet of paper. Share your writing by turning it in to your teacher. You may also read it aloud.

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