Day 6: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- abbreviation
- absorb
- achievement
- adjustable
- advice
- afghan
- analyze
- assistance
- attendance

Day 7: Spelling - Unscramble

Unscramble your spelling words.

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Day 8: Spelling

Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling word. Be sure to spell it correctly!

The park included three ___ acres ___ of luscious grass.
The seatbelt was ___ adjustable ___ to fit her small waist.
I would ___ advise ___ against speaking disrespectfully.
The ___ afghan ___ kept her warm when the heat went out.
What’s your ___ analysis ___ of this situation?
This ___ artificial ___ sweetener has an aftertaste.
Are you ___ absolutely ___ certain you turned off the stove?
What has been your greatest ___ achievement ___ this year?
The sign said, “No ___ admittance ___.”
Can you offer your ___ assistance ___ to that lady?
What’s the postal ___ abbreviation ___ for Massachusetts?
Do you submit to those in ___ authority ___?
Her ___ attendance ___ at the meetings was sporadic at best.
The sponge will ___ absorb ___ the entire spill.
What’s your ___ advice ___ on this topic?
The playground was ___ accessible ___ to all kids.
When I ___ analyze ___ the budget, I see a deficit.
I have a class ___ association ___ with my co-worker.

Day 9: Spelling - Hangman

Play hangman! See if you can figure out your spelling words in ten guesses or less. Cross out letters you’ve guessed to help yourself keep track. The words are in the Lesson Outline.

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Day 10

Day 10: Spelling
See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- abbreviation
- absorb
- achievement
- adjustable
- advice
- afghan
- analyze
- assistance
- attendance

- absolutely
- accessible
- acres
- admittance
- advise
- analysis
- artificial
- association
- authority

Day 11

Day 11: Spelling
See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- bacteria
- bicycle
- bizarre
- boundary
- analyze
- artificial
- capital
- competition
- congratulations

- bagel
- biscuit
- boulevard
- bouquet
- advise
- association
- capital
- confetti
- culprit

Day 12

Day 12: Spelling - Unscramble
Unscramble your spelling words.

- TBUOEQU
- ETRACAB
- PTAALIC
- ALGEB
- UEBRUA
- CEYUCB
- ANINMONC
- DBUOVEARL
- PMNGIACA
- NODBRUAY
- TNOECFTI
- ICPOLTA
- EMINCTTOPO
- TILUCPR
- SIBTCUJ
- NMOITMCOO
- NAOALGCIOUTSTR
- RBAIREZ

- bouquet
- bacteria
- capital
- bagel
- bureau
- bicycle
- bagel
- campaign
- competition

Day 13

Day 13: Spelling
Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling word. Be sure to spell it correctly!

Iris picked a lovely ____ bouqet ____ of wildflowers.

- Congratulations ____ are in order for the winners.

The state ____ capital ____ building is located downtown.

The infection in my throat was caused by ____ bacteria ____.

Do you put ____ cinnamon ____ on your applesauce?

The presidential ____ campaign ____ was successful.

I rode my ____ bicycle ____ to work yesterday.

The ____ bizarre ____ comment left me scratching my head.

What's all the ____ commotion ____ outside?

The bushes form a natural ____ boundary ____ for the property.

Do you like cream cheese on your ____ bagel ____?

The ____ boulevard ____ winds its way by the beautiful park.

The crowd threw ____ confetti ____ as the newlyweds ran past.

The ____ capital ____ of California is Sacramento.

Chase likes to put honey on his morning ____ biscuit ____.

Sara put her jewelry box on top of the ____ bureau ____.

It seems a mouse was the cookie thief ____ culprit ____.

The ____ competition ____ was fierce at the spelling bee.
Day 14: Spelling - Hangman

Play hangman! See if you can figure out your spelling words in ten guesses or less. Cross out letters you've guessed to help yourself keep track. The words are in the lesson Guide.

bureau
culprit
campaign
bicycle
confetti
biscuit

Day 15: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

bacteria
bicycle
bizarre
boundary
bureau
capital
cinnamon
competition
congratulations

Day 16: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

deceive
democracy
description
dismissal
embarrass
encircle
evident
extinct
extraordinary

delayed
dedorant
diameter
distinguished
emphasize
engineer
exhibit
extinguish
extremely

deodorant
evident
emphasize
diameter
democracy
extinguish
extinct
distinguished
description
**Day 18: Spelling**

Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling word. Be sure to spell it correctly!

The art **exhibit** at the museum was a great field trip.

The incoming snow led to the meeting’s **dismissal**.

Our **distinguished** guest was the mayor.

Not to **embarrass** you, but there’s lettuce in your teeth.

The item’s **description** said it was brand new.

The project **engineer** said the build was on schedule.

The firemen worked hard to **extinguish** the flame.

The **diameter** of the hoop was smaller than the ball.

The species was nearly **extinct**, but made a comeback.

I wasn’t trying to **deceive** ______, it was just a surprise.

The ants began to **encircle** the crumbs.

The race is **delayed** due to rain.

Is **democracy** a good system of government?

It is **evident** to me that God exists.

You don’t need to yell to **emphasize** your point.

The firework display was **extraordinary**!

This **deodorant** has way too strong of a scent for me.

She is **extremely** tired after her long weekend.

**Day 19: Spelling - Hangman**

Play hangman! See if you can figure out your spelling words in ten guesses or less. Cross out letters you’ve guessed to help yourself keep track. The words are in the Lesson Guide.

exhibit

delayed

encircle

extinct

delayed

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**Day 20: Spelling**

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as you are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

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**Day 21: Spelling**

Fill in this crossword using the spelling words listed at the bottom. These are words from the spelling lists on days 6, 11, and 16.

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M C N O G T R
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O L N T E N E R A U L V I
B U R E A U Y A L I B I
I Z T D I S D E C I E T
C O N F E T T I O N U A M N T
A D V I S E T B A C T E R I A
A T R A N S I T E
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Day 22

Day 22: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Marie Curie or Madame Curie as she is known to many, was a scientist in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Born in Poland, she moved to France to continue her scientific studies and ended up marrying a physics professor. The pair worked together for the advancement of science, particularly physics.

Marie Curie shattered glass ceilings all over the place. She co-authored a Nobel Prize in 1903, making her the first woman ever to earn one. She went on to earn another one as well. After her husband’s death, she took his place as professor of physics. She was the first woman to hold the position.

Madame Curie is most known for her work with radium. Although exposure to the element eventually killed her, her research led to advancements in x-ray machines, which improve lives daily, almost a century after her death.

Day 23

Day 23: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

At the end of World War II, Germany, as well as its former capital of Berlin, was divided between the Allies and Russia. In the post-war period, many people emigrated from the Russian side of East Germany to help rebuild the Allies’ West Germany. The economy of East Germany suffered greatly from the lack of labor. In order to keep people from emigrating, as well as to protect their communist society from Western influence, East Germany built a guarded brick wall in 1961 and topped it with barbed wire.

The wall was an immediate publicity catastrophe for East Germany and communism as a whole. The wall itself, along with the very public punishments of those who tried to cross, showcased the tyranny of communism. Under U.S. pressure, the wall came down on November 9, 1989, and within three years, all but three communist nations had collapsed.

Day 24

Day 24: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Jesse Owens was the grandson of a slave. Born in September of 1913 in Alabama, Jesse was the youngest of ten children. Along with 1.5 million other African Americans who were part of the “Great Migration,” his family left the segregated South when he was nine years old and moved to Ohio in search of better opportunities. It was in Ohio that Jesse became a track and field star.

He was only in high school when he gained national attention for tying the world record in the 100 yard dash. At a college track meet, it took him less than an hour to break three world records and tie a fourth. Then, at the 1936 Olympics, Jesse Owens achieved a feat no Olympian had ever achieved up to that point when he earned four gold medals. Jesse’s performance undermined Adolf Hitler’s ridiculous claims about racial superiority.

Day 27

Day 27: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled.

Philip Sousa was born in Washington D.C., the third of ten children. When he was thirteen, his father enlisted him in the Marine Corps to keep him from joining a circus band. He started as an apprentice with the Marine Band, and then he moved on to a theatrical orchestra where he learned to conduct. He then returned to the Marine Band as a conductor, going on to lead “The President’s Band” under five presidents.

Sousa went on to be a composer of marches, earning him the nickname “the American March King.” His most famous marches include the following: the U.S. National March called “The Stars and Stripes Forever” and “Semper Fidelis” the official march of the U.S. Marine Corps. He eventually conducted his own band, named the Sousa Band, which featured a new instrument that most every marching band today uses—the aptly named sousaphone.
Day 29

Day 29: Proofreading • Grammar

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Clive Staples Lewis is a well-known British author, most famous for his Chronicles of Narnia series of books. Though his Christian faith is evident throughout many of his writings C.S. Lewis actually left Christianity for atheism during his university years. However, after years of intellectual wrestling Lewis returned to Christianity and became a great defender of the faith.

Identify the part of speech of the underlined word by writing it on the line.

That jump was the highest of the meet. __noun__
I’ll let myself out. __pronoun__
I’d love to fly among the stars. __preposition__
The shining sun blinded the driver. __adjective__
That fruit salad looks delicious! __verb__
We’re very late for the meeting! __adverb__

Day 30

Day 30: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Leonardo da Vinci might be one of the most underrated people in history. You probably know he was an artist, particularly a painter and sculptor. But he excelled in many other areas as well. He was a scientist who specialized in anatomy, geology, and botany. He was also a writer, a mathematician, an architect, an engineer, a cartographer, and an impressive inventor.

Da Vinci’s inventions were amazingly ahead of his time. He invented the predecessor to the modern-day tank centuries before cars were invented. He even invented a fully animated robot while living in the 1400s! But his most famous invention stemmed from his favorite area of study — aviation. His famous flying machine probably had his Renaissance neighbors thinking he was as batty as the winged night creatures he studied to design it.

Day 32

Day 32: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Mary Elizabeth Bowser was a slave during the 1800s. As a young woman, she was freed by her owner and sent to a Quaker school where she learned to read and write. Once the Civil War began, her kind, former owner asked if she would help the union by spying on the Confederacy.

To do this, Mary had to pretend to be dim-witted and uneducated. She also had to go back to being treated like a slave, a life she had largely gotten away from. She was hired by Jefferson Davis, the president of the Confederacy. Using her position within his home, she would eavesdrop on conversations and then relay the information to a fellow spy who posed as a baker making regular bread deliveries. More than 100 years later, Mary was inducted into the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Corps Hall of Fame for her efforts.

Day 33

Day 33: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

James Weldon Johnson was an African American born in the late 1800s to a society focused on segregating his people. However, he knew very few boundaries in his life. He was able to get a college education, and he went on to be a grammar school principal. In 1897, he became the first African American to pass the bar exam in Florida.

A few years later, James and his brother together wrote the song “Lift Every Voice and Sing,” which eventually became the official anthem of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (or the NAACP). President Roosevelt appointed Johnson to diplomatic positions in Nicaragua and Venezuela.

In a society that largely saw African Americans as subhuman, James Johnson defied the odds and lived an extraordinary life.
Day 35

Day 35: Proofreading • Grammar

Spelling corrections are bold, and punctuation marks are circled.

The discovery of gold in California in 1848 changed the scope of many people's lives. Thousands migrated west, dreaming of the wealth that waited beyond the horizon. Unfortunately, many dreamers lost everything. The cost of the supplies and the journey west squelched many dreams before they really got started. Many even lost their lives chasing the riches.

Answer the following questions by selecting your choice from the answers given.

Which of the following sentences is an interrogative sentence?
- a. I'm not sure what you're asking.
- b. Please clarify your question.
- c. Are you hungry?
- d. I guess it's time for lunch.

What is the complete subject of this sentence? Mary's teacher praised her efforts.
- a. Mary's teacher
- b. Mary
- c. praised
- d. praised her efforts

What is the complete predicate of the same sentence?
- a. Mary's teacher
- b. Mary
- c. praised
- d. praised her efforts

Choose the simple subject and simple predicate of the same sentence.
- a. Mary/efforts
- b. teacher/praised
- c. her/efforts

Day 43

Day 43: Parts of Speech

Which part of speech is each of the listed words? Write your choice on the line beside each word.

quickly adverb _______ curly adjective _______
running verb _______ them pronoun _______
thick adjective _______ very adverb _______

horse noun _______ was verb _______
among preposition _______ inch noun _______
us pronoun _______ long adjective _______
basket noun _______ often adverb _______
it pronoun _______ green adjective _______
is verb _______ beside preposition _______
myself pronoun _______ El Paso preposition _______
tomorrow adverb _______ lovely adjective _______
under preposition _______ prance verb _______

Day 44

Day 44: Parts of Speech

Write the part of speech for the underlined word in each sentence.

The hockey puck flipped over the goal line. _______ adjective _______
Will you join me on a morning run? _______ noun _______
That taco salad looks delicious. _______ verb _______
Have you ever had raw sushi? _______ adverb _______
The cat is beneath the coffee table. _______ preposition _______
Why don't you grab a quick snack? _______ adjective _______
The dishes won't be washing themselves. _______ pronoun _______
I can't wait for summer vacation. _______ verb _______
Look out the window at that rainbow! _______ preposition _______
The big drink spilled all over the van. _______ noun _______
This store is in such a remote place. _______ adjective _______
You need a haircut. _______ noun _______
We should leave soon to get there on time. _______ adverb _______

Day 46

Day 46: Possessives • Plurals

Choose the correct form of the possessive for each sentence.

The _______ toys were scattered all over the house.
  children's
  children's'
  children's's

_______ glasses fell. Louis couldn't find them.
  Louis's
  Louis's'
  Louis'

All of the _______ voices rose in harmony.
  peoples'
  peoples's
  people's

The dog kept chasing _______ tail, it's _______.
  its
  its's
  its'

The one _______ hair is longer than the hair of the other two _______.
  girl's/girls'
  girls'/girl's
  girl's/girl's'

Fill in the plurals of the words below.

bus _______ buses _______ mosquito _______ mosquitoes _______
roof _______ roofs _______ deer _______ deer _______
shef _______ shelves _______ cheek _______ cheeks _______
batch _______ batches _______ mix _______ mixes _______
Day 47

**Day 47: Proofreading**

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Hedy Lamarr was an incredibly popular actress in the 1930s and 1940s. She had roles opposite such popular stars as Clark Gable and Jimmy Stewart. Hedy was known as “The Most Beautiful Woman in Film” by her contemporaries.

However, Hedy Lamarr was also incredibly intelligent. In 1942, along with her composer friend George Antheil, Hedy patented what she called the “Secret Communication System.” It was originally concocted to solve an issue in World War II where the Nazis were decoding messages and blocking signals from radio-controlled missiles. It involved changing radio frequencies so that enemies couldn’t detect the messages in the first place. The later invention of the transistor catapulted Hedy’s invention into practical space, and it is still used today in both military applications as well as cell phone technologies.

Day 48

**Day 48: Writing – Summary • Proofreading**

Write a summary of the story of Little Red Riding Hood.

(answers will vary)

Fix the errors you find in the following paragraph. There are five mistakes.

Annie Oakley was forced to learn how to trap and shoot as early as age eight in order to support her family due to the death of her father. She became a fantastic shot while supporting her family and she went on to join Buffalo Bill’s Wild West show. Annie became a world-renowned rifle sharpshooter, one of the best of all time. It is believed that she taught more than 15,000 women to shoot a gun.

Day 49

**Day 49: Proofreading**

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

In the 1950s, the space race was heated particularly between the United States and the Soviet Union. Each nation wanted to be the first one to do a certain thing in space. Some of the firsts were the first launch into space, first animal in space, first human in space, first human to orbit the earth, and others. When the Soviet Union started to get the lead in the race, the United States, in desperation, opened a project with one goal. They wanted to make the moon.

The precision was important. The whole point of nuking the moon was making it visible to people. They planned to aim for the edge of the visible side of the moon. That way the cloud from the explosion would be illuminated by the sun and visible far and wide. Ultimately, the project was abandoned due to concerns about contaminating space or the bomb detonating early and endangering the inhabitants of the earth.

Day 51

**Day 51: Crossword**

Fill in the puzzle with the words below from The Call of the Wild.

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**Clues:**
- courier
- consternation
- arduous
- malingering
- cadence
- retrogression
- indiscrimination
- fastidious
- victorious
- belligerence
- consternation
### Day 52

**Day 52: Parts of Speech**

Language Arts 7

Mark the part of speech for each word in the following sentence from *The Call of the Wild*: He took Buck by the scruff of the neck, and though the dog growled threateningly, dragged him to one side and replaced Sol-leks.

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| conjunction | verb | proper noun | **Use this sentence to answer the following questions: The general tone of the team picked up immediately.**
| What’s the simple subject of the sentence? **Buck**
| What’s the complete subject? **the general tone of the team**
| What’s the predicate? **picked up immediately**

### Day 53

**Day 53: Spelling**

Language Arts 7

Find the words from *The Call of the Wild* in the word search below.

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N W B P S N Z D W T Y C A D E
J G U B R I O U S U I O D N P
Y C R S M Q O S G P C X Y Z C Y
A T C B H J M S T U N W X Y Z
O N H G Q M A C P G O Y I D L Y
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- morose
- forewarned
- deluged
- remnant
- solidarity
- covered
- compelled
- mates
- flourished
- convulsive
- abdurate
- languishingly

### Day 54

**Day 54: Grammar**

Language Arts 7

Answer the questions about the sentence from *The Call of the Wild* below.

*Thirty days from the time it left Dawson, the Salt Water Mail, with Buck and his mates at the fore, arrived in Skagway.*

What is the subject of the sentence? **the Salt Water Mail**

What is one prepositional phrase in the sentence? **from the time,**

at the fore, with Buck and his mates, at Skagway

Remember that **gerunds** are ing words that function as nouns. Write three sentences using gerunds.

1. **Running** is a great way to stay healthy.
2. **Fishing** is a popular activity in the area.
3. **Swimming** is a fun way to cool off on hot days.

(answers will vary)

### Day 56

**Day 56: Idiom Hangman**

Language Arts 7

Play idiom hangman with someone! See if you can figure out these idioms in ten guesses or less. You might start with vowels or letters that are more common. Play with a sibling, parent, or friend to let you know if you’re guessing correctly.

- A penny for your thoughts
- Barking up the wrong tree
- Let sleeping dogs lie
- Once in a blue moon
- Don’t give up your day job
- It takes two to tango
Day 57

Day 57: Word Search

Find the words from Call of the Wild in the word search below.

Day 58

Day 58: Gerunds

In each group of three, fill in the circle beside the sentence that contains the gerund. Underline it.

- The rising smoke clouded the horizon.
- Much adventure can be found while reading books.
- Smiling at them, she made her way into the room.
- Blowing bubbles in the yard is Ella’s favorite activity.
- Clara soaked in the tub to sooth her aching muscles.
- The tinkling ice made music in the glass.
- Garrett was blinded by all of the flashing cameras.
- The speeding racecars were a blur.
- Raising children can be exhausting.
- The twirling baton fell to the ground.
- Killing the bug made Andrew feel powerful.
- Her growling stomach told her it was lunch time.
- Eating ice cream in the car can be messy.
- Her hocking cough kept her up all night.
- Natalie was enthralled by the flapping of the butterfly’s wings.
- Matthew was made dizzy by the spinning fan.
- The leaping ballerinas were fun to watch.
- Caleb was excited about baking the cookies.
- Giggling babies are the cutest.
- The bouncing ball rolled down the hill.
- Singing is Wyatt’s favorite hobby.

Day 66

Day 66: Spelling - Crossword

Fill the words into the crossword puzzle using the letter clues and lengths of the words to help you.

Day 67

Day 67: Punctuation and Capitalization

Answer the following grammar questions.

An interrogative sentence ends with a ___?

Is this sentence properly written? “Kate,” said Ma, “please calm down.”
   a. yes   b. no (see corrections)

Apostrophes are used to show ___.
   a. possession   b. missing letters   c. both

Circle the punctuation marks used incorrectly in this sentence. A lot of families have more than four children; for example, the Smiths, Johnsons, and Chars. (These are not possessive nouns.)

An imperative sentence would never end in a ___?

Which of these sentences uses an apostrophe correctly?
   a. The three girls’ showed up late to class.
   b. My dog’s names are Dusty and Sadie.
   c. Alabama’s capital is Montgomery.

When you have a quotation inside of a quotation, you should use ___.
   a. double quotes around single quotes   b. italics   c. commas

When you have a list of three or more items, you should use ___.
   a. colons   b. conjunctions   c. commas

Which of these is not a proper use of a hyphen?
   a. great-grandfather   b. thir-teen   c. thirty-three
Day 68: Nouns

Answer the following grammar questions.

The subject is who or what the sentence is about.

- a. yes
- b. no

Most nouns ending in -y preceded by a vowel use -ies to make them plural.

- a. yes
- b. no

The preposition tells what happens in the sentence.

- a. yes
- b. no (predicate)

Which noun is the subject of this sentence? Most children from Toronto love playing hockey.

- a. children
- b. Toronto
- c. love
- d. hockey

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- a. singular, plural
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- a. singular, plural
- b. plural, plural, plural

Which of these is punctuated correctly?

- a. The children’s game took all afternoon, amusing them thoroughly.
- b. The crowd’s cheers erupted at the quick, powerful pitch.

Day 66: Language Arts 7

Day 68: Participle Phrases

In the following sentences, underline the participle phrases and circle what they are modifying.

- Getting home on time, she voiced inside.
- Finishing the last lap, he raised his arms in victory.
- Panting, the dog circled his bed and flopped down.
- Glancing out the window, they noticed the rainbow.
- Shooting the puck hard, Matthews scored a goal.
- Solving the flag, the choir sang the national anthem.
- Gathering his things, Grades left for home.
- Turning on his sirens, the police officers chased the speeder.

In the following sentences, underline the gerund or the participle. On the line, write G if the underlined word is a gerund or P if it’s a participle.

- Arriving early is important to me. G
- Whistling while he worked, Daniel got the job done. P
- Showing his badge, the man was allowed to enter. P
- Singing is Sarah’s favorite activity. G
- Eliana prefers dancing. G
- Noticing the deer in the road, Mom hit the brakes. P
- Tripping on his own feet was Jake’s specialty. G
- Standing tall, Jessica prepared to give her speech. P

Day 67: Language Arts 7

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Day 67: Language Arts 7

Day 76: Spelling

Find the words from The Spy in the word search below.

- sublime
- eloquence
- portentous
- ardently
- petulance
- contemptuous
- unreming
- capricious
- soliloquing

Day 67: Language Arts 7

Day 77: Proofreading

Spelling corrections are bold, punctuation marks are circled, and capitalization errors are underlined.

Famines can be caused by a lack of food or by a lack of access to food. There are many different causes of famines. Extreme weather, plant diseases, and animals can all cause a lack of food. Even governments can cut off access to food, resulting in famine.

Throughout history, weather has impacted our food supply. During horrible freezes or severe droughts, food prices in the United States and other civilized nations can skyrocket to compensate for the lack of crops. But in other areas of the world, weather causes true famine. Sometimes plants get diseases that cause them to die, creating the same lack of crops that weather can create. Animals and bugs can eat and destroy crops as well.

The most surprising cause of famine is tyrannical leaders who keep food from their own people. Today, many systems are in place to prevent governments from harming their own people in this way.
Day 78

Day 78: Proofreading

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Manfred Albrecht Freiherr von Richthofen was a fighter pilot for Germany during World War I. He became one of the most famous fighter pilots of all time throughout the course of the war. Painting his aircraft read led him to be called by the nicknames Red Fighter Pilots, "Red Baron," and, most famously, "Red Baron."

The Red Baron was likely the deadliest fighter pilot in the entire war. He was officially credited with eighty air combat victories before his death. At one point during combat, a hit to the head caused him temporary blindness. He recovered well enough to successfully make a rough landing of his plane. Eventually, his reputation made him a very sought-after target. Everyone wanted credit for bringing down the Red Baron, and it is still unclear who ultimately put the permanent end to his combat career.

Day 79

Day 79: Proofreading

Fix the errors you find in the following paragraphs. There are ten mistakes.

The city of Jerusalem is a fascinating place. Its historical background makes it a huge tourist location, drawing people from all parts of the world. But its biggest lure comes from its religious roots. In Hebrew, Jerushalayim means "foundation of peace." This name might be considered ironic, since the city of Jerusalem is considered by three of the world's largest religions to be their religious center, it has been the reason for many wars over the centuries.

Christianity, Judaism and Islam all consider Jerusalem important to their religion. Over the years, Jerusalem has seen the rise and fall of the kingdom of Israel, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Crusades, and many other so-called "holy wars." In fact, Israelis and Palestinians continue to fight over the right to occupy Jerusalem to this day.

Day 86

Day 86: Spelling

Fill in the blanks with your spelling words. You can have someone read them to you from the answer key.

I would ______ advise ______ against speaking disrespectfully.
What has been your greatest ______ achievement ______ this year?
The sign said, "No ______ admittance ______ ."
Can you offer your ______ assistance ______ to that lady?
What's the postal _____ abbreviation _____ for Massachusetts?
Do you submit to those in ______ authority ______ ?
The sponge will ______ absorb ______ the entire spill.
What's your ______ advice ______ on this topic?
When I ______ analyze ______ the budget, I see a deficit.
I have a close ______ association ______ with my co-worker.
The state ______ capitol ______ building is located downtown.
The infection in my throat was caused by ______ bacteria ______ .
Do you put ______ cinnamon ______ on your applesauce?
The presidential ______ campaign ______ was successful.
I rode my ______ bicycle ______ to work yesterday.
What's all the ______ commotion ______ outside?
I don't think your pity party is ______ benefiting ______ anyone.
The ______ boulevard ______ winds its way by the beautiful park.

Day 87

Day 87: Parts of Speech • Brainstorming

Of the bolded words, circle the one that matches the part of speech to the side of the sentence.

The ______ swarming gnats bothered my eyes ______ . ______ Adjective ______
I guess I'll wash the dishes ______ myself ______ . ______ Pronoun ______
Let's go to the library ______ tomorrow ______ . ______ Adverb ______
The frog went for ______ a swim ______ in the pond. ______ Noun ______
That dog looks ______ hungry ______ . ______ Verb ______
My stomach growled loudly ______ during the meeting ______ . ______ Preposition ______
The ______ sweetly scented lotion smelled like candy ______ . ______ Adverb ______
Today was ______ a very long day ______ . ______ Verb ______
The top of the window was ______ covered ______ in dust. ______ Preposition ______
The giggly girls stayed up ______ way too late. ______ Adjective ______
His love was ______ boundless ______ . ______ Noun ______
Is that your last book ______ ? ______ Pronoun ______
Day 89: Concrete and Abstract Nouns

Day 89

For each noun, circle whether it is concrete or abstract.

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Day 90: Plurals

Day 90

For each noun, write the correct plural on the line.

- yourself yourselfs cherry cherries
- stimulus stimuli ellipsis ellipses
- deer deer mouse mice
- cactus cacti man men
- crutch crutches toy toys
- box boxes moose moose
- child children shelf shelves
- hero heroes pencil pencils
- tray trays potato potatoes
- latch latches baby babies
- sheep sheep calf calves
- bluff bluffs index indices

Day 92: Proofreading

Day 92

Abigail Adams was the wife of the first vice president and second president of the United States, John Adams. Though societal constraints of the day didn't allow Abigail to have any formal education, she was self-educated and incredibly intelligent.

Abigail was a close confidant and advisor for her husband, John. Many consider her to be one of the founders of the country because of the level of influence she had in his affairs. Historical letters written between the husband and wife show many intellectual discussions and are evidence of just how much John trusted his wife.

Abigail Adams believed in the importance of education and she home educated her five children. Her oldest son, John Quincy Adams, also went on to become president.

Day 93: Proofreading

Day 93

Reread the following paragraphs carefully. Be sure to proofread for errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and usage.

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Day 94: Pronouns • Editing Checklist

Choose the correct pronoun to fill in the blank. If you need help, try to determine if the needed pronoun should be a subject or an object pronoun.

It was ____________ who folded all of that laundry.

me
myself
I

My dad asked my brother and ____________ to do our chores.

me
myself
I

Meg and ____________ spent the entire day playing cards.

me
myself
I

My mom was not happy with ____________ inviting several friends over without asking.

me
myself
I

Between you and ____________, that dinner could have been a lot better.

me
myself
I

___________ spent all night on the phone together.

She and Melanie
Melanie and her
Friendship is important to me.

Jennifer’s and my
Me and Jennifer’s
Myself and Jennifer’s

Are you upset with ____________ choosing the movie?

me
myself
my

When it comes to haircuts, I like yours better than ____________.

mine
mines
mine’s

Day 95: Pronouns • Rubric

Choose the correct pronoun to fill in the blank. If you need help, try to determine if the needed pronoun should be a subject or an object pronoun.

Are those glasses on the table ____________ or mine?

yours
your’s
yours’

Grandma requested that you call ____________ and Aunt Carrie.

she
her

It was ____________, that boy with the striped shirt, who threw the ball.

he
him

___________ wore heavy jackets on the ski trip.

he
him

Her and I ____________ Her and me

She and Becky
Becky and her

Dad sat between ____________ and Ashley so they wouldn’t talk.

she
her

Ben realized that neither ____________ nor Peter was ready for the exam.

he
him

Be sure to return to Mrs. Lowry. What is ____________.

hers
her’s
hers’

Day 96: Grammar Review

Answer the following questions by filling in the bubble beside your choice.

Which of these is a compound sentence?
- I’m really hungry, so I should stop for lunch.
- I’m not sure where I left my shoes.
- Do you know what Jessica’s phone number is, or not?

Which of these is a complex sentence?
- Mrs. Johnson took us to the library, and then she went to the store.
- When I grow up, I’m going to be a computer programmer.
- We saw players, coaches, staff, and fans at the game.

Which of these is an independent clause?
- If you have enough time
- When I read books
- I don’t want to get up

Which of these is correct?
- “Come here,” I said!
- “Come here!” I said.
- “Come here,” I said.

Her hair cascaded over her shoulders like a waterfall is an example of...
- Alliteration
- Simile
- Metaphor

Weather and whether are...
- Synonyms
- Antonyms
- Homophones

Love is war is an example of...
- Alliteration
- Simile
- Metaphor

Almost and nearly are...
- Synonyms
- Antonyms
- Homophones

Day 97: Pronouns • Writing Organization

Choose the correct pronoun to fill in the blank.

It was ____________ who cleaned up the kitchen.

we
us

___________ whispering drew angry glances during the show.

us
Our

That bag belongs to ____________ two.

we
us

The teacher told ____________ kids that we were really smart.

we
us

The car with the red flaking paint is ____________.

ours
ours’
oursself’s
ourselves

We got all of the groceries in ____________.

ourselves
ourself
ourself’s

Match the topic with the best organization for it by writing the corresponding letter on the line.

A. Research report
B. Description
C. Persuasive argument
D. Instructions

How to make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich
Word picture of a sunset at the lake
Need for lower college tuition
Facts about internal combustion engines
Day 98

Day 98: Pronouns • Writing Voice

Choose the correct pronoun to fill in the blank.

The girls’ kindness and __________ constant smiling warmed the hearts of the group leader.

A. them B. them C. them D. them

[Blank] will going to the diner if you’d like to join us.

A. They and B. They and C. I and D. They and

Your seat is between __________.

A. Sammy and they B. they and Sammy C. Sammy and their D. they and their

[Blank] and the other boys all loved to play basketball.

A. Their B. Them C. Their D. Them

It was __________ who shoveled the snow off the deck.

A. their B. them C. their D. them

When your brothers taunt you it’s best to ignore __________ and their teasing.

A. their B. them C. their D. them

Match the sentence to the type of writing by filling in the corresponding letter on the line.

A. business report B. compare and contrast C. book review D. personal narrative

Vegetables are better for your health than fruit. __________

A. B

Charlotte’s Web is a charming book about a spider. __________

A. C

The flat tire was just the beginning of my crazy day. __________

A. D

The Senate recently passed a controversial bill. __________

A. A

Day 99

Day 99: Pronouns • Word Choice

Choose the correct pronoun to fill in the blank.

My friend is so calm; I wish I was as calm as __________.

A. her B. hers C. herself

Jacob is a happy baby, and __________ giggling brightens a room.

A. him B. his C. himself

CJ is good at soccer, but I hope to be better than __________.

A. her B. hers C. himself

__________ enjoyed our time at the fair.

A. he B. his C. him D. his

The director commanded __________ kids on our production.

A. us B. we C. us D. we

I saw Alicia with that book, so I think it’s __________.

A. her B. hers C. hers D. hers

They all saved up enough money __________.

A. themselves B. theirs C. themselves D. theirs

Choose the more vivid word to complete the sentence.

The (lazily; wtruck-watering) meal left us satisfied.

A. lazily B. wtruck C. watering D. wtruck

The (exhausting; hard) exercises strengthened my muscles.

A. exhausting B. hard C. exhausting D. hard

My (angering; mad) dog needed a drink of water.

A. angering B. mad C. angering D. mad

James was (mad; indignant) at the referee’s call.

A. mad B. indignant C. mad D. indignant

Day 100

Day 100: Pronouns • Writing Organization

Tell whether the following sentences have pronoun reference errors.

Sophia said Alona raced her to the mailbox and she won.

A. yes B. no

(“She” doesn’t refer to anything. “She” raced her to the mailbox and she won.)

A. yes B. no

It says in the newspaper that there is a big parade this weekend.

A. yes B. no

(“It” doesn’t refer to anything. “The newspaper says that...” would be a better choice.)

Christy said that she needed to take a nap.

A. yes B. no

(“She” clearly refers to Christy.)

The girls used their crayons to make a big picture.

A. yes B. no

(“Their” clearly refers to the girls.)

Choose six sentences from a recent writing assignment. Number the sentences, and fill in each column for each sentence. If you don’t see a lot of variation in your writing, make some changes to make your writing more interesting.

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Day 103

Day 103: Plurals

Answer the questions about plurals by filling in the circle beside your choice.

The plural of “scenario” is...

A. scenarios B. scenario C. scene scenarios

The plural of “theory” is...

A. theories B. theory C. theory theories

The plural of “thief” is...

A. thieves B. thief C. thieves thieves

The plural of “child” is...

A. children B. child C. children children

The plural of “root” is...

A. roots B. root C. roots roots

The plural of “curriculum” is...

A. curriculums B. curricula C. curricula curricula

Spell the plural form of the word on the line beside it.

Parenthesis: parentheses berry: berries

Mosquito: mosquitoes fox: foxes

Zero: zeroes ox: oxen

Stimulus: stimuli goose: geese
### Day 104: Plurals and Possessives

Fill in the circle beside the answer that best fits the blank.

- **Day 104:**
  - This ______ meeting was a long one.
    - mornings
    - morning’s
    - mornings’
  - The top ______ brackets were failing.
    - shelf’s
    - shelves
    - shells’
  - The large assortment of ______ made my mouth water.
    - donut’s
    - donuts’
    - donuts
  - Our ______ belt was squeaking loudly.
    - vans
    - van’s
    - vans’
  - The three ______ lockers were all in a row.
    - boy’s
    - boys
    - boys’
  - I can hear that ______ cries from here!
    - baby’s
    - babies
    - baby’s
  - The ______ purse was hanging off her shoulder.
    - women’s
    - women’s
    - women’s
  - I don’t have all of my ______ in a row.
    - ducks
    - duck’s
    - ducks’
  - The ______ lids were bulging.
    - box’s
    - boxes
    - boxes’
  - We rode our ______ to the mall.
    - bike’s
    - bikes
    - bike’s

### Day 105: Possessives

Fill in the circle beside the answer that best fits the blank.

- **Day 105:**
  - This ______ keyboard has sticky keys.
    - computer’s
    - computers’
    - computer’s
  - The ______ restroom had a long line.
    - women’s
    - womens
    - women’s
  - Those ______ reports took the entire day.
    - student’s
    - students
    - student’s
  - The ______ message was deceiving.
    - commercial’s
    - commercials’
    - commercial’s
  - The three ______ ringers all went off at once.
    - phone’s
    - phones’
    - phone’s
  - Those ______ stems are all missing.
    - cherry’s
    - cherries
    - cherry’s
  - Are you wearing ______ jeans?
    - men’s
    - mens
    - men’s
  - The ______ tails were all bushy.
    - fox’s
    - foxes’
    - fox’s
  - That ______ cheese is oozing.
    - sandwich’s
    - sandwiches’
    - sandwich’s
  - The ______ engine startled the entire neighborhood.
    - motorcycle’s
    - motorcycles’
    - motorcycle’s

### Day 106: Spelling

Study the word list in the Lesson Guide and then see how many words you can spell correctly when they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- admittance
- analysis
- artificial
- attendance
- biscuit
- bizarre
- boulevard
- bouquet
- bureau
- campaign
- cinnamon
- commotion
- confetti
- culprit
- deceive
- democracy
- embarrass
- engineer

### Day 107: Apostrophes

Fill in the circle beside the statement that applies to the underlined word.

- **Day 107:**
  - The Smith’s invited the entire neighborhood to their pool party.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
  - I wish you wouldn’t eat your cookies on the couch.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
  - The children’s’ game was noisy.
    - The word is correct.
    - The word should be children’s.
  - Our two cities are meeting for the championship.
    - The word is correct.
    - The word should be city’s.
  - That blue house on the corner is our’s.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
  - That red house next to it is theirs’.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
  - Jesse’s notebook was left in our van.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
  - The player’s jerseys had a patch in support of cancer research.
    - The word is correct.
    - The word should be players’.
  - Our friends’ leg is in a cast.
    - The word is correct.
    - The word should be friend’s.
  - The tablet’s screen has a crack in it.
    - The word is correct.
    - No apostrophe is necessary.
Day 108

**Day 108: Lose vs. Loose**

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Choose which word best fits the blank. Learn from any mistakes.

I don't want to _____ my glasses, but I need to take them off.

- lose
- loose

Gather up your _____ change, and see if it's enough for a treat.

- lose
- loose

The chain on my bike is _______.

- lose
- loose

Even if we _____ the game, we still get a second place trophy.

- lose
- loose

If we leave now, we'll _______ our place in line.

- lose
- loose

My little brother has his first ______ tooth.

- lose
- loose

I don't have any more baby teeth to ______.

- lose
- loose

Don't win the battle, only to ______ the war.

- lose
- loose

I always stretch to get ______ before a run.

- lose
- loose

That ______ lug nut needs to be tightened on the hubcap.

- lose
- loose

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Day 109

**Day 109: Who vs. Whom**

Language Arts 7

Choose which word best fits the blank. Learn from any mistakes.

The waitress _____ you requested is off tonight.

- who
- whom

He is the man _____ we met last week.

- who
- whom

______ brought me this beautiful bouquet?

- Who
- Whom

______ are you taking to the park with you?

- Who
- Whom

I haven't yet decided _____ should get the main part.

- who
- whom

She is the lady _____ we were looking for.

- who
- whom

Wait until I tell you _____ I saw at the grocery store.

- who
- whom

______ should I say is asking?

- Who
- Whom

______ should we ask to dinner?

- Who
- Whom

I need a helper on ______ I can depend.

- who
- whom

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Day 111

**Day 111: Spellcheck**

Language Arts 7

This paragraph contains five misspelled words. Can you figure out what they are and spell them correctly on the lines?

The United States House of Representatives is the lower chamber of the U.S. Congress. The Senate is the upper chamber. Together they make up the legislative branch of the United States. The House of Representatives has a fixed number of 435 members, voted into office every 2 years. Each state gets a number of representatives in proportion to its population. The least populated states get only one representative, while the more populous states currently have over fifty. Representatives are spread around the state, speaking for different congressional districts that might have different needs or desires. The House votes on bills that have the potential to eventually become laws. The House of Representatives plays an important role in the checks and balances of the United States government.

- legislature
- two
- populous
- speaking
- potential

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Day 112

**Day 112: Plurals and Possessives**

Language Arts 7

Fill in the circle beside the answer that best fits the blank.

The ________ were intense.

- exercises
- exercise’s
- exercises

The ________ smile was a bit creepy.

- skeletons
- skeleton’s
- skeletons

Both of my ________ have flat tires.

- bikes
- bike’s
- bikes

The two ________ pictures complemented each other.

- posters
- poster’s
- posters

The ________ rungs were spaced twelve inches apart.

- ladders
- ladder’s
- ladders

That ________ incline was difficult to climb.

- hills
- hill’s
- hills

The three ________ heads popped up in unison.

- squirrels
- squirrel’s
- squirrels

Neither of the two ________ were working.

- microwaves
- microwave’s
- microwaves

That ________ numbers were faded.

- keypads
- keypad’s
- keypads

Those ________ roofs make an interesting skyline.

- buildings
- building’s
- buildings
Day 114

**Day 114: Plurals and Possessives**

Fill in the circle beside the answer that best fits the blank.

The _____ weave hurt my eyes.
- carpets
- carpet's
- carpet's

The two _____ onlers were locked together.
- deers
- deer's
- deers

The _____ decision was to build the park.
- peoples
- people's
- peoples

The area _____ are closed.
- schools
- school's
- schools

The four _____ hands all showed different times.
- clocks
- clock's
- clocks

The _____ angles made it difficult to paint.
- ceilings
- ceiling's
- ceilings

All four _____ rolled down the hill faster than we could run.
- balls
- ball's
- balls

The _____ drawings showcased her talent.
- girls
- girl's
- girls

The two _____ loces didn't match.
- shoes
- shoe's
- shoes

The _____ wouldn't work because the _____ were dead.
- flashlights/batteries
- flashlight's/batteries
- flashlights/batteries

Day 116

**Day 116: Possessives**

Choose the correct form of the possessive for each sentence.

- _____ car was a bright shade of red.
- Cindy's
- Cindys'
- Cindles'

- _____ car was a darker shade.
- Chris'
- Chris's

The _____ department is downstairs.
- men's
- mens'
- men's

The two _____ fins cut through the water towards us.
- shark's
- sharks
- shark's

The book landed on _____ spine.
- it's
- it's

The seven _____ windows were left open in the rain.
- bus's
- buses
- bus's

Your shearsers shaved a lot of _____ wool.
- sheep
- sheeps
- sheeps

My _____ names are Whisper and Mittens.
- cats
- cat's
- cat's

The _____ feathers ruffled as it landed.
- geese
- geese's
- geese's

That _____ antenna is broken.
- radio's
- radios
- radio's

Day 121

**Day 121: Spelling**

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- fabricate
- fascinating
- flagrant
- foreign
- forfeit
- frequently
- genuine
- gossiping
- grammar
- grievance
- guarantee
- harass
- havoc
- heroic
- horrify
- hospital
- humid
- hygiene

Day 122

**Day 122: Spelling - Unscramble**

Unscramble your spelling words.

| AABTTEICR | fabricate |
| THPILOSA | hospital |
| CVNEGERIA | grievance |
| NRIEOF | foreign |
| ORYHFR | horrify |
| UIMDH | humid |
| RNUGETAEE | guarantee |
| RFNALATG | flagrant |
| CHVAO | havoc |
| INATINFGCSA | fascinating |
| SOPGNSGII | gossiping |
| NEYHEGI | hygiene |
| IOCREH | heroic |
| IFEORTF | forfeit |
| INEUGNE | genuine |
| SSAARHR | harass |
| AMGARRM | grammar |
| FULYEQMTRE | frequently |
Day 123: Spelling

Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling word. Be sure to spell it correctly!
There is no guarantee that you will win.
Did you just harass that officer?
It would horrify Mother to know what you said.
Don’t fabricate a story to stay out of trouble.
The history museum is fascinating to me.
Are we going to finish our game or do you forfeit?
It is so humid outside this summer.
The rain is wreaking havoc on my hair.
Grandpa is being released from the hospital today.
Snow is a foreign concept to warmer climates.
The flagrant foul cost the team the game.
It snows frequently in many northern states.
Her heroic act saved the puppy from being trapped.
The neighbor filed a grievance about the loud party.
The girls were caught gossiping about their teacher.
The boy’s kindness was genuine.
Always check spelling and grammar in your papers.
Her hygiene habits were pristine.

Day 124: Spelling - Hangman

Play hangman! See if you can figure out your spelling words in ten guesses or less. Cross out letters you’ve guessed to help yourself keep track. The words are in the Lesson Guide.

Day 125: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly now as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- fabricate
- fascinating
- flagrant
- foreign
- forfeit
- frequently
- genuine
- gossiping
- grammar
- grievance
- guarantee
- harass
- havoc
- heroic
- horrify
- hospital
- humid
- hygiene

Day 126: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as they are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- identical
- idle
- idol
- immediately
- immobilize
- impossibility
- inconvenient
- incredible
- infamous
- innocence
- instructor
- intelligent
- irate
- irresistible
- judgment
- juvenile
- kettle
- knitting
### Day 127: Spelling - Unscramble

Unscramble your spelling words.

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### Day 128: Spelling

Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling word. Be sure to spell it correctly!

- My dance [instructor] taught us ballet.
- Your mother is [knitting] a beautiful blanket.
- The [infamous] robber was caught red-handed.
- [Idle] hands lead to trouble.
- My sister was [irate] when I read her diary.
- The tea [kettle] is whistling on the stove.
- These cookies are absolutely [irresistible].
- Declaring his [inconvenience], the man walked away.
- Stop blowing bubbles in your milk. It’s so [juvenile]!
- What an [incredible] sunset.
- This detour is very [inconvenient].
- Many people treat money as an [idol].
- We had to [immobilize] his leg after he landed on it.
- Do you know any [identical] twins?
- I need you to come here [immediately]!
- Use your best [judgment] when choosing.
- The boy is so [intelligent] he taught the teacher.
- Finishing schoolwork can seem like an [impossibility].

### Day 129: Spelling - Hangman

Play hangman! See if you can figure out your spelling words in ten guesses or less. Cross out letters you’ve guessed to help yourself keep track. The words are in the Lesson Guide.

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  judgment
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  kettle
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  idle
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  infamous
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  irate
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
  juvenile
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### Day 130: Spelling

See how many words you can spell correctly the first time as you are read to you. Learn from any mistakes you make.

- identical
- idle
- idol
- immediately
- immobilize
- impossibility
- inconvenient
- incredible
- infamous
- innocence
- instructor
- intelligent
- irate
- irresistible
- judgment
- juvenile
- kettle
- knitting
Day 131: Infinitives

Find and underline all of the infinitives in the following story.

We want to go to the park this afternoon. It’s going to be a nice, sunny day. The temperature is hovering right around 70 degrees, a perfect day to swing in the breeze.

We’re planning to take a picnic with us. My sister is going to eat a sandwich, but my brother prefers to have fruit salad. I think the fruit salad is just going to attract ants and bees, so I’ll be sure to use bug spray before we head out to the park.

My favorite thing to do at the park is kick the ball around with my siblings. Hopefully this time my brother doesn’t accidentally hit my sister in the face with the ball. No one needs to hear her shriek like that again! But I need to remind my brother to take some allergy medicine before we leave. Otherwise, he’s going to sneeze for the rest of the day!

Day 132: Spelling

Find the words from The Tale of Sam in the word search below.

audacious
mortification

lavalors
sordid

migration
lucrifer

Day 133: Spelling

Fill in the blanks with your spelling words. You can have someone read them to you from the answer key.

The park included three ____ acres ____ of luscious grass.
The seatbelt was ____ adjustable ____ to fit her small waist.
The ____ afghan ____ kept her warm when the heat went out.
What’s your ____ analysis ____ of this situation?
This ____ artificial ____ sweetener has an aftertaste.
Are you ____ absolutely ____ certain you turned off the stove?
What has been your greatest ____ achievement ____ this year?
Iris picked a lovely ____ bouquet ____ of wildflowers.
Congratulations ____ are in order for the winners.
The crowd threw ____ confetti ____ as the newlyweds ran past.
The ____ capital ____ of California is Sacramento.
Chase likes to put honey on his morning ____ biscuit ____.
Sara put her jewelry box on top of the ____ bureau ____.
It seems a mouse was the cookie thief ____ culprit ____.
The ____ competition ____ was fierce at the spelling bee.
Not to ____ embarrass ____ you, but there’s lettuce in your teeth.
The item’s ____ description ____ said it was brand new.
The project ____ engineer ____ said the build was on schedule.

Day 134: Gerunds and Infinitives

Does the sentence need a gerund or an infinitive? Write the proper form of the word in parentheses on the line in the sentence, and then tell whether it is a gerund (g) or infinitive (i) on the line at the end.

Are you free ____ to work ____ this weekend?  i
(work)

I expect you ____ to clean ____ up that spill.  i
(clean)

I don’t mind ____ reading ____ to you while you clean.  g
(read)

Can you tell me how ____ to get ____ to the library?  i
(get)

I can’t picture Todd ____ dancing ____ to the music.  g
(dance)

The girls are ____ jumping ____ on the trampoline.  g
(jump)

Do you plan ____ to go ____ to the park?  i
(go)

Consider ____ researching ____ Lincoln for your paper.  g
(research)

Are you ____ running ____ the marathon this weekend?  g
(run)

We chose ____ to walk ____ the 5K.  i
(walk)
Day 137

Day 137: Dangling modifiers

Each of the sentences below contains a dangling modifier. Rewrite each sentence so that the participle phrase modifies the noun it should.

(Answers will vary, suggestions given)

Covered in delicious, sugary syrup, mother served the towering pile of pancakes.

- **Mother served the towering pile of pancakes that were covered in delicious, sugary syrup.**

Soaked to the bone, everything Haylee touched became wet as well.

- **Since Haylee was soaked to the bone, everything she touched became wet as well.**

Running all day and night, we called a handyman to fix the heater.

- **We called a handyman to fix the heater that was running all day and night.**

Day 138

Day 138: Dangling modifiers

Choose the sentence of each group that is formatted correctly by filling in the circle next to your choice.

☐ Straining to see the stage, the seats were too far back for my nearsighted sister.
- The seats were too far back for my nearsighted sister, who was straining to see the stage.

☐ The seats, too far back for my nearsighted sister, were straining to see the stage.

☐ Sweetly smiling, the bouquet was received by my mother.
- The bouquet was received by my mother, sweetly smiling.

- Sweetly smiling, my mother received the bouquet.

☐ Kicking the ball, my brother broke the kitchen window.
- Kicking the ball, the kitchen window was broken by my brother.

- Breaking the kitchen window, the ball was kicked by my brother.

☐ Sitting down to dinner, the wonderful aroma made us all drool.
- The wonderful aroma, sitting down to dinner, made us all drool.

- We all drooled at the wonderful aroma as we sat down to dinner.

Day 139

Day 139: Dangling modifiers

Underline each sentence in the following story that has a dangling or misplaced modifier.

Last weekend, my family went on a camping trip. Arriving at our destination early, the campsite wasn’t ready yet. Deciding to go for a walk, we hiked around the campground to get the lay of the land. We figured it’d be nice to know what to expect from our weekend. Spotting a creek, my camera wouldn’t focus well enough to get a picture of the meandering water. Swallowing my disappointment, my dad called me over to check out the pool. Noticing the slide, I parked up a little. I love a good pool slide.

At long last, we got the text that our campsite was ready. Setting up our tent, the dog started barking. Following his gaze, the park ranger was seen coming up to our site. Informing us of an issue with the site we were on, the ranger offered a free upgrade to a fully loaded camper. Needless to say, we had a fabulous weekend roughing it in the woods!

Day 141

Day 141: Spellcheck

This paragraph contains five misspelled words. Can you figure out what they are and spell them correctly on the lines?

When the original American colonists decided to revolt against British rule, there were many who were convinced the endeavor was destined for failure. Of course, without the benefit of hindsight, that feels like a fair assessment. After all, the colonists had an enormous undertaking to accomplish. They were attempting to **adopt** an entirely original form of government. They needed to **adhere** to a whole new assortment of laws and legislations. While modern American leaders might **aggravate** the world from time to time, the fledgling band of revolutionaries that started the United States achieved an incredible feat.

- **accomplish**
- **adopt**
- **adhere**
- **assortment**
- **aggravate**
### Day 142: Reading Comprehension

**Based on this excerpt, Tom must be:**
- The prince
- The pauper
- Neither

**According to the third paragraph, Tom’s dreams made his reality:**
- sweeter
- the same
- even more horrible
- intense

**We get the idea in this excerpt that Tom is:**
- a poor beggar child
- happy with his childhood
- lonely
- a good student

**Read this line from the first paragraph: he tromped despondently up and down the region— in which of these words does the suffix -ly mean the same as it does in the word despondently?**
- curly
- melancholy
- giggly
- fly

**Tom was kept awake by:**
- fighting
- hunger
- pain
- all of these

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### Day 143: Reading Comprehension

**Reread the excerpt from Mark Twain’s The Prince and The Pauper on day 142 and then answer the questions.**

**Tom’s father and grandmother were:**
- uncaring
- happy that Tom was forlorn
- beggars
- moved by his tired, wet condition

**Based on the context, “dreadful pork pies and other deadly inventions” was describing food Tom believed to be:**
- poisoned
- disgusting
- delicious
- too expensive

**A good description of the weather in the excerpt would be:**
- cheerful
- glum
- nervous
- indifferent

**The word execute at the end of the first paragraph means:**
- kill
- carry out
- write down
- hang

**According to the third paragraph, a good synonym for Tom’s surroundings would be:**
- disgusting
- pleasant
- congenial
- boring

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### Day 144: Reading Comprehension

**Reread the excerpt from Mark Twain’s The Prince and The Pauper on day 142 and then answer the questions.**

**That Tom “fell asleep in the company of jewelled and gilded princelings” means that he:**
- really was rich and just pretended to be poor
- was sleeping somewhere other than his home
- was dreaming
- was a prince

**Which of these words from the story uses a suffix to change an adjective into a noun?**
- wretchedness
- murky
- delicious
- princelings

**According to the excerpt, Tom’s dream of being a prince was:**
- the first one he’d had
- unusual
- a normal occurrence
- we don’t have information about it

**Judging from the context, a good synonym for the word “obedience” would be:**
- annoyance
- ignorant
- intelligence
- respect

**Why was Tom in tears at the end of the excerpt?**
- He was poor.
- He wished to be a prince.
- His dream had made his reality seem that much worse.
- all of the above

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### Day 145: Reading Comprehension

**The first sentence of the excerpt, “This was very uncomfortable, and I was half afraid,” is a _______ sentence.**
- simple
- compound
- complex

**Which of these words from the excerpt has a prefix that means “not”?**
- entered
- arranged
- unknown
- materials

**Which of these words from the excerpt has a suffix that means “most”?**
- dependent
- dressing
- confusedly
- strangest

**Which word describes the room in which the narrator finds himself in this scene?**
- comfortable
- chaotic
- tidy
- dark

**The woman in the scene appears to be:**
- rich
- dirty
- mute
- young
Day 146

Day 146: Reading Comprehension

Reread the excerpt from Charles Dickens’ Great Expectations on day 145 and then answer the questions.

Based on the description given, it would seem the woman in this scene was a...
● bride
● fashion designer
● beggar
● we don’t know

What does the narrator imply was his biggest clue that the prominent table in the room was “a fine lady’s dressing-table”?
● the gilded looking-glass
● that it was a draped table
● the fine lady sitting at it
● the bright jewels

Which of these best portrays how the woman is likely feeling, given the described scene?
● happy
● energized
● organized
● sad

The narrator describes himself as...
● uncomfortable
● confident
● timid
● young

The narrator describes the woman as...
● put together
● boorish
● strange
● messy

Day 147

Day 147: Reading Comprehension

Reread the excerpt from Charles Dickens’ Great Expectations on day 145 and then answer the questions.

All of the sentences in this excerpt are which type of sentence?
● declarative
● interrogative
● exclamatory
● imperative

Why did the woman only have one shoe on?
● she hadn’t put the other on yet (or had taken it off already)
● she couldn’t find the other shoe
● she only had one leg
● we don’t know

Reread this line from the first paragraph: This was very uncomfortable, and I was half afraid. In which of these words does the suffix -able mean the same as it does in the word uncomfortable?
● able
● cable
● doable
● fable

A majority of this excerpt is which part of a story?
● character development
● a description of setting
● plot
● climax

What explanation of the scene would make sense given the information we have?
● there was an earthquake
● the woman’s fiancé left her at the altar
● the narrator was a robber
● the electricity was out

Day 148

Day 148: Reading Comprehension

The likely setting for this story, based on this passage, is...
● an orphanage
● a hospital
● a police station
● a library

What is the problem the boys are facing in this excerpt?
● they’re overworked
● they’re tired
● they’re hungry
● they don’t like the master

Which of these words from the excerpt has a suffix that means “full of”?
● generally
● voracious
● companions
● reckless

Reread this part of a sentence from the excerpt: ...the boy who slept next him, who happened to be a weakly youth of tender age. The word weakly here is being used as a(n)
● noun
● verb
● adjective
● adverb

The master was ___ Oliver’s request.
● pleased with
● understanding of
● depressed because of
● furious about

Day 149

Day 149: Reading Comprehension

Reread the excerpt from Charles Dickens’ Oliver Twist on day 145 and then answer these questions.

Reread this portion from the excerpt: He rose from the table, and advancing to the master, basin and spoon in hand, said: somewhat alarmed at his own temerity: “Please, sir, I want some more.” Based on the context, a good synonym for temerity would be...
● timidity
● boldness
● stupidity
● friendliness

Does it seem that the assistants had ever heard an orphan ask for seconds?
● yes
● no

In this excerpt, what is grief?
● food
● work
● exhaustion
● anger

Which of these words from the excerpt is a compound word?
● hunger
● pinioned
● desperate
● somewhat

True or false: Oliver came empty-handed for seconds.
● true
● false
Day 150: Reading Comprehension

Reread the excerpt from Charles Dickens' Oliver Twist on day 148 and then answer these questions.

Which of these words from the excerpt has a suffix that means "characterized by"?
- stupid
- paralysed
- healthy
- reckless

The excerpt explicitly states that the master was...
- mean
- fat
- angry
- hungry

What conflict is the main catalyst for the climax of this excerpt?
- the boys are hungry
- the master is mean

Read this sentence from the first paragraph: Boys have generally excellent appetites, in which of these words does the suffix -ent mean the same as it does in the word excellent?
- accent
- percent
- agent
- absorbent

Did Oliver get his seconds?
- yes
- no

Day 151: Spellcheck

This paragraph contains five misspelled words. Can you figure out what they are and spell them correctly on the lines?

Many scientists believe the world to be millions, if not billions, of years old. Various scientific publications repeatedly state this as fact. However, there are a growing number of scientists who now believe the earth to be much younger than previously thought. Several dating methods have been proven to be inaccurate. Sometimes in science, the best we can do is speculate. Our speculations can coincide with available data, but no one can guarantee that their way is right. Although some parts of our physical universe can be proven, many continue to be a mystery.

repeatedly
speculate

coincide
guarantee

although

Day 153: Sentence Structure • Characters

As a reminder, a simple sentence is simple – just one subject and predicate combination. This is an example of a simple sentence:

He crouched and examined mushrooms, pine cones, rocks and beetles.

A compound sentence takes two simple sentences and compounds them, squashes them together using something like “and”, “or”, “but” – in the middle to connect them. This is an example of a compound sentence, and I have made it with two simple sentences joined together into one:

The toad hopped off just beyond him, and the natural impulse of a ten-year-old boy to try and catch it overpowered him.

A complex sentence takes a simple sentence and adds another subject and predicate in a way that they don’t form another sentence on their own. This is an example of a complex sentence because I added a second subject and verb in a way that can’t stand on its own:

He looked up and his heart melted.

Day 156: Setting • Sentence Types

As a reminder, there are four types of sentences: declarative, interrogative, exclamatory, and imperative.

Declarative sentences make statements. Today is my birthday.

Interrogative sentences ask questions. Is today your birthday?

Exclamatory sentences exclaim. Today is my birthday!

Imperative sentences command. Today’s your birthday, so celebrate!

Identify the sentence types of the sentences from chapter 5 of The King Will Make a Way.

He sat up straighter.

When is it coming?

Relax.

What are you saying?

Father was worried.

Yes, sir!

Get inside and stay there!

This is going to be a bad storm!

Tabitha shrieked.

Remember the old village song?
**Day 163**

Day 163: Dialogue

Propriety punctuation the dialogue at the top of the page. Then use the lines at the bottom of the page to copy the interesting quote by your historical person.

"Come here," he said.

She got up and crossed the room. "What is it?"

"A geode."

She asked again. "And that is exactly what?"

He brought out a hammer. "Watch and see."

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**Day 164**

Day 164: Uncommon Punctuation

Add the missing punctuation to this sentence. Be sure to include any uncommon punctuation (semicolon, colon, dash).

I had too much on my mind, so I got out of bed to make myself a list of what I needed to do and call mom.

Jenny and the plumber bake the cookies. Take pictures of the kids and update the blog. Just so I could get some sleep.

Write a sentence or a paragraph that uses a semicolon, a colon, and a dash.

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**Day 166**

Day 166: Anthropomorphism

Anthropomorphism is a literary device where something non-human becomes human-like in form and/or behavior. Read this sentence from chapter 15 of The King Will Make a Way:

Despair circled Gabe like a vulture, taunting, laughing. "He's dead. He's dead. They're all dead. Lifeless bodies left for the birds. You might as well join them. Vultures will be after you next."

What nonliving thing is talking on human attributes? despair

What human qualities did it have? taunting, laughing, speaking

Now you try it. Look at the pen or pencil in your hand. Make it come alive. What is it thinking as you are holding it, writing with it? What would it say when you are chewing on it, tapping it? Give it a personality and write a little story with the pen or pencil as the main character. Give his point of view on the world.

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**Day 167**

Day 167: Lie vs. Lay

In the present tense, lie is what you do to yourself, and lay is what you do to something else. Fill in these blanks with lie or lay.

I _______ on my bed to rest.

A chicken _______ an egg.

In the past tense, lie becomes lay, and lay becomes laid. Fill in these blanks with lie, lay, or laid.

I want to _______ down for a nap.

Last week I _______ out the pattern for the dress.

I need to _______ out the schedule for everyone to see.

He _______ there for hours yesterday.

See if you can figure out the correct word for each blank.

My cat is _______ in the light.

O laying ● lying

She often _______ there.

● lies ○ lays

I _______ my toothbrush on the sink.

O lay ● laid

The US _______ to the north of Mexico.

● lies ○ lays