

Language Quickies

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INTRODUCTION

Language Quickies is a collection of short review exercises designed to provide practice and reinforcement of essential writing and editing skills. Each exercise focuses on a select number of language skills, all of which are repeated throughout the book. In addition, the activities in this book provide plenty of opportunities for students to read and follow a variety of simple directions.

Utilizing these short exercises on a daily basis will allow you to make frequent assessments of progress, as well as raise student awareness of areas in which they need more practice. This daily focus on careful proofreading and editing will surely help students become better writers.

Some of the skill areas focused on throughout the exercises include:

- Sentence Construction
- Punctuation
- Capitalization
- Parts of Speech
- Editing
- Spelling
- Synonyms/Antonyms
- Verb Tenses
- Subject/Verb Agreement

Each of the exercises may be easily expanded to include any area needing additional practice. For example, you may want students to mark parts of speech not specified in the directions. In other cases, you might ask students also to find the predicate when only the subject is asked for, or the proper nouns when the question asks for common nouns. Such adaptations allow for students to further develop and hone their skills.

Checking the responses as a group can add an additional opportunity for reinforcement as students discuss and justify their choices.

An answer key has been included in this book. It is intended as a guide and can be easily modified to fit the needs of your language program. We have included examples of possible answers, but in many cases, they are not meant to be considered the only acceptable answer. We have given one version of how a sentence may be re-written or one example of several acceptable antonyms or synonyms. An answer might reflect only the simple subject or predicate in a sentence. You may want students to identify the complete or compound subject or predicate.

To customize the answer key to fit your lesson plans, you may make a copy of each page and fill it in with the answers you are looking for. As you go through this process, you will see how flexible the activities are and how easily they can fit your individual needs.

Used on a consistent basis, *Language Quickies* is sure to sharpen skills in the essential areas of writing and grammar.

1 After you eat lunch we will go to the playground

1. What type of sentence is this? Circle the answer.

command question statement exclamation

2. Add the correct punctuation mark to the end of the sentence.

3. Which words tell *when*? _____

4. Circle the nouns in the sentence.

5. Circle the words that are not spelled correctly.

budy stiff glove danse



2 the big brown dogs name is buzzy

1. What type of sentence is this? Circle the answer.

question command exclamation statement

2. Underline the word that is a proper noun.

3. Write the sentence correctly. _____

4. Which words describe the dog? _____

5. Underline the words that should be capitalized.

monday week day july

3

the billings family is going to disneyland in august

1. Underline the words that should be capitalized.

2. Write the sentence correctly. _____

3. Write which words tell *when*? _____

4. Circle the subject of the sentence.

5. Underline the date that is written correctly.

tues. Oct 30

Sun., Nov. 12

Wed., May. 5

4

mrs dolan will have a birthday on mon march 15

1. What type of sentence is this? Circle the answer.

question

command

exclamation

statement

2. Circle the words that are proper nouns.

3. Write the sentence correctly. _____

4. Highlight the words that tell *when*.

5. Circle the words that are spelled correctly.

papper

scribble

cattle

babby

5

would you like some vanilla ice cream with your cake

1. What type of sentence is this? Circle the answer.

exclamation

statement

question

command

2. Circle the nouns.

3. Highlight the word that shows possession.

4. Write the sentence correctly. _____

5. Write this date correctly.

sun june 14 1930 _____



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sam brown is in third grade at adams elementary school

1. Write the sentence correctly. _____

2. What type of sentence is this? Circle the answer.

command

question

statement

exclamation

3. Highlight the proper nouns.

4. Circle the subject of the sentence.

5. Write a synonym for each word.

huge _____ near _____ begin _____