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(1) Developing and sustaining foundational language skills: listening, speaking, discussion, and thinking—

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- (C) give an organized presentation with a specific stance and position, employing eye contact, speaking rate, volume, enunciation, natural gestures, and conventions of language to communicate ideas effectively; and
- (D) participate in student-led discussions by eliciting and considering suggestions from other group members, taking notes, and identifying points of agreement and disagreement.

Grammar for Writing Grade 6 Feature & Location	Description
Working Together Exercise 1 Revising Your Draft, p. 16; Exercise 3 Editing and Proofreading Your Writing, p. 19; Exercise 1 Presenting Your Work, p. 20; Exercise 4 Writing a Story, p. 33; Exercise 1 Correcting Ron-on Sentences, p. 36; Exercise 3 Revising a Draft, p. 39; Exercise 2 Writing a Silly Script, p. 56; Exercise 3 Revising a Paragraph, p. 64; Exercise 3 Improving Organization, p. 89; Exercise 3 Writing a Description, p. 92; Exercise 2 Writing Thesis Statements, p. 104; Exercise 1 Revising Body Paragraphs, p. 106; Exercise 3 Reviewing Introductions and Conclusions, p. 109; Exercise 2 Reading a Paragraph, p. 122; Exercise 3 Writing an Ad, p. 128; Exercise 2 Using Verbs in Sentences, p. 162; Exercise 3 Writing with Verbals, p. 170; Exercise 3 Writing with Modifiers, p. 180; Exercise 3 Proofreading a Report, p. 204; Exercise 2 Writing Sentences, p. 206; Exercise 3 Improving a Paragraph, p. 218; Exercise 2 Writing Sentences, p. 222; Exercise 3 Editing a Paragraph, p. 228; Exercise 3 Editing a Paragraph, p. 228; Exercise 3 Capitalizing Direct Quotations, p. 246	The Working Together logo identifies exercises found throughout the program that invite collaborative participation. Teamed with one or more classmates, students work together on brainstorming, gathering and organizing information, writing, revising, editing, proofreading, and publishing their work.



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Chapter 1 The Writing Process , pp. 8–31 Lesson 1.5 Publishing and Presenting , p. 20 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 20]</i>	Lesson 1.5 Publishing and Presenting includes the suggestion that students share their written work as an oral presentation or speech to the class.
 Remember When you make a presentation, follow these tips: Speak loudly so that everyone can hear you. Look at your audience as you speak to them. Practice several times beforehand. 	The Remember sidebar features advice for making a successful, effective presentation. In the Exercise Presenting Your Work , students work together to discuss presentation strategies then present it to at least one other person.
Chapter 9 Adjectives, Adverbs, and Other Parts of Speech, pp. 178–199 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to Literature, pp. 189–195	For Publishing and Presenting on page 195, classmates may create a booklet of responses for the school library. They may also turn their paper into an oral presentation for the class or family.
Example [Grade 6, p. 195]	
Publishing and Presenting	
Talk about it. Turn your paper into an oral presentation for the class or for your family. Include visual aids when appropriate.	



WRITING PROCESS

The student student uses the writing process recursively to compose multiple texts that are legible and use appropriate conventions. The student is expected to:

 (A) plan a first draft by selecting a genre appropriate for a particular topic, purpose, and audience using a range of strategies such as discussion, background reading, and personal interests;

Grammar for Writing Grade 6 Feature & Location	Description
 Chapter 1 The Writing Process, pp. 8-29 Lesson 1.1 Prewriting, pp. 9-11 Example [Grade 6, p. 9] During prewriting, you plan your writing. Prewriting means you explore possible topics, decide on your purpose and audience, and gather and organize your ideas. Choose a topic you care about. You can find an idea almost anywhere—in magazines and movies, conversations with friends and family, or your own imagination. Use a journal to record your ideas. 	 Chapter 1 The Writing Process takes students through each of the steps for creating a written work, from initial brainstorming to the final publication or presentation. In Lesson 1.1 Prewriting, students brainstorm to quickly come up with several topics then ask the 5-W and How questions to narrow the topic. Prewriting strategies include Choose a topic you care about, Narrow your topic, Consider purpose and audience, and Gather and organize details.
Writer's Workshop: Description, pp. 21-26 Writer's Workshop: Autobiographical Incident, pp. 68-73 Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay, pp. 110-116 Writer's Workshop: How-to Essay, pp. 149-155 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to Literature, pp. 189-195 Writer's Research Report, pp. 231-237	There are six Writer's Workshop lessons. Each one provides step-by-step instructions and guidelines that prepare students for the lesson assignment. The assignment features a description of Task, Audience, and Purpose. Instruction is provided for the following steps of the writing process: Prewriting , Drafting, Revising, Editing and Proofreading, and
Example [Grade 6, p. 150] Prewriting	Publishing and Presenting.
Pick an Interesting Topic What unique things can you make? Create a list. Consider your audience when you make your list. Why might others enjoy making or doing the things on your list? Would others find them too difficult? Too easy?	
Think About Your Audience Unlike you, your audience has never made the thing you are describing. You must present readers with all of the information they will need to complete the steps. Before you begin writing, make a plan.	



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- (B) develop drafts into a focused, structured, and coherent piece of writing by:
 - (i) organizing with purposeful structure, including an introduction, transitions, coherence within and across paragraphs, and a conclusion; and
 - (ii) developing an engaging idea reflecting depth of thought with specific facts and details;

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 Chapter 1 The Writing Process, pp. 8-29 Lesson 1.2 Drafting, pp. 12-13 Example [Grade 6, p. 13] The most important goal of drafting is to get your ideas down on paper. When you write a draft, you organize your thoughts about a topic into sentences and paragraphs. Don't interrupt the flow of ideas to correct mistakes or stop and start over. It's okay for drafts to be messy. 	In Lesson 1.2 Drafting , young writers organize ideas into a beginning, a middle, and an end. They group details in a way that best serves their purpose—to inform, persuade, or entertain. They analyze a writing model, reference prewriting notes, and practice using a list or an outline.
Chapter 4 Effective Paragraphs, pp. 78-99 Lesson 4.1 Paragraphs and Their Parts, pp. 79-81 Lesson 4.2 Main Idea and Supporting Details, pp. 82-84 Lesson 4.3 Paragraph Unity, pp. 85-86 Lesson 4.4 Organizing Paragraphs, pp. 87-89 Lesson 4.5 Using Transitions. pp. 90-92	Chapter 4 Effective Paragraphs prepares students to draft a longer, complete work by first constructing well-organized paragraphs. They see paragraphs as building blocks of a unified, coherent essay with logical organization and proper use of transitions.
 Chapter 5 Writing an Essay, pp. 100–139 Lesson 5.1 Parts of an Essay, pp. 101–102 Lesson 5.2 Thesis Statements, pp. 103–104 Lesson 5.3 Paragraph Unity, pp. 105–106 Lesson 5.4 Introductions and Conclusions, pp. 107–109 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 101]</i> Paragraphs and essays often share similar features because each expresses and explains a main idea. The introduction and conclusion are often composed of just one paragraph each. In contrast, the body usually includes three or more paragraphs. 	 Chapter 5 Writing an Essay describes the structure of a multi-paragraph essay. Students identify each part in writing samples then practice writing their own thesis statement. Lesson 5.1 Parts of an Essay explains that many paragraphs and essays share similar organization—they both present a main idea, develop the main idea, and restate the main idea in a concluding sentence or paragraph. The chart on page 101 explains that an introduction "states the main idea and captures the readers' attention."



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Example [Grade 6, p. 152]	Publishing and Presenting.
Drafting	
Write a Complete Essay Include three basic parts.	
Write an introduction that grabs your readers' attention. Begin with a question, such as "Have you ever wanted to see a volcano erupt?" Or, add sensory description, such as "The powerful lava shoots up and over the sides of the volcano."	

(C)	revise drafts for cl	larity, development,	organization, style,	word choice, and	sentence variety;
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Chapter 1 The Writing Process , pp. 8-29 Lesson 1.3 Revising , pp. 14-16	Chapter 1 The Writing Process takes students through each of the steps for creating a written	
Example [Grade 6, p. 14]	work, from initial brainstorming to the final publication or presentation.	
Ask yourself specific questions, such as the ones below, which cover five of the six key traits of good writing.	In Revising , students make changes to improve their draft. They are guided to consider traits of good writing, including Ideas and Content,	
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 Organization How easy is it to follow the order of my ideas? How well does one sentence connect to the next? 	Organization, Sentence Fluency, Word Choice, and Voice. The sixth trait, Conventions, is addressed during editing and proofreading, the next step of the writing process.
 Writer's Workshop: Description, pp. 21-26 Writer's Workshop: Autobiographical Incident, pp. 68-73 Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay, pp. 110-116 Writer's Workshop: How-to Essay, pp. 149-155 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to Literature, pp. 189-195 Writer's Research Report, pp. 231-237 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 72]</i> Revising Keep Your Sentences Interesting Try these tips: 1. Mix it up. Start each sentence with a different word, and use a mix of short and long sentences. (See Lesson 3.2.) 2. Combine sentences. Combine two short sentences with a conjunction, such as and or but. (See Lesson 3.5.) 	There are six Writer's Workshop lessons. Each one provides step-by-step instructions and guidelines that prepare students for the lesson assignment. The assignment features a description of Task, Audience, and Purpose. Instruction is provided for the following steps of the writing process: Prewriting, Drafting, Revising , Editing and Proofreading, and Publishing and Presenting.
Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice, pp. 30–53 Lesson 2.3 Eliminating Extra Words, pp. 37–39 Lesson 2.4 Using Precise Words, pp. 40–42 Lesson 2.5 Using Sensory Details, pp. 43–45	In Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice , students practice improving word choice when revising their draft.
Chapter 3 Sentence Variety and Structure, pp. 54-67 Lesson 3.1 Kinds of Sentences, pp. 55-56 Lesson 3.2 Sentence Variety, pp. 57-59 Lesson 3.3 Kinds of Clauses, pp. 60-61 <i>continued</i>	Chapter 3 lessons and exercises help students learn how to improve their drafts by identifying and correcting flaws in sentence organization and structure.





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Lesson 3.4 Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences, pp. 62–64 Lesson 3.5 Combining Sentences, pp. 65–67	
Example [Grade 6, p. 57]	
You can make your writing more lively by paying attention to sentence variety .	
Avoid starting each sentence with the same word or phrase. Use a variety of sentence beginnings to make your writing flow smoothly.	

(D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:

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Chapter 1 The Writing Process, pp. 8-29 Lesson 1.4 Editing and Proofreading, pp. 17-19	In Lesson 1.4 Editing and Proofreading , students edit their drafts to eliminate errors in spelling
Example [Grade 6, p. 17]	and punctuation. They also focus on correcting errors in grammar and usage.
The editing and proofreading stage provides the opportunity to find and correct errors in the sixth writing trait, conventions, which cover grammar, usage, spelling, mechanics, and punctuation.	In addition to suggestions from the teacher and peers, they are encouraged to use the Editing and Proofreading Checklist . They also learn the proofreading symbols.
Edit slowly. Read each sentence carefully, and don't let your eyes skip over even one word or punctuation mark.	
Writer's Workshop: Description, pp. 21-26 Writer's Workshop: Autobiographical Incident, pp. 68-73 Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay, pp. 110-116 Writer's Workshop: How-to Essay, pp. 149-155 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to	There are six Writer's Workshop lessons. Each one provides step-by-step instructions and guidelines that prepare students for the lesson assignment. The assignment features a description of Task, Audience, and Purpose. Instruction is provided for the following steps
Literature, pp. 189–195 Writer's Research Report, pp. 231–237 continued	of the writing process: Prewriting, Drafting, Revising, Editing and Proofreading , and Publishing and Presenting.



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Example [Grade 6, p. 73]	
Editing and Proofreading Checklist	
Have I checked that all words are spelled correctly?	
□ Did I avoid run-on sentences and fragments?	
Do compound sentences have a comma before a conjunction?	
□ Are any words missing or run together?	

(D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:

(i) complete complex sentences with subject-verb agreement and avoidance of splices, run-ons, and fragments;

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Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice, pp. 30–53 Lesson 2.1 Correcting Sentence Fragments, pp. 31-33 Lesson 2.2 Correcting Run-on Sentences, pp. 34–36	In Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice , students examine how to identify and correct sentence fragments and run-on sentences.
Example [Grade 6, p. 31]	
A sentence fragment is a group of words that is punctuated like a complete sentence but does not express a complete thought.	
 Chapter 3 Sentence Variety and Structure, pp. 54-77 Lesson 3.4 Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences, pp. 62-63 Lesson 3.5 Combining Sentences, pp. 65-66 	In Chapter 3 students learn that a complex sentence contains one independent clause and one or more dependent clauses. They analyze models and practice corrective techniques they will apply when editing their draft.





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 Chapter 6 Parts of a Sentence, pp. 120-139 Lesson 6.1 Complete Subjects and Predicates, pp. 121-122 Lesson 6.2 Simple Subjects and Predicates, pp. 123-124 Lesson 6.3 Hard-to-Find Subjects, pp. 125-126 Lesson 6.4 Compound Subjects and Verbs, pp. 127-128 Lesson 6.5 Direct Objects, pp. 129-130 Lesson 6.6 Subject Complements, pp. 131-132 	Chapter 6 helps students distinguish between a grammatically complete sentence and sentence fragments, which should be edited out of formal writing.
Chapter 10 Subject-Verb Agreement, pp. 200- 215 Lesson 10.1 Agreement of Subject and Verb, pp. 201-202 Lesson 10.2 Phrases Between Subject and Verb, pp. 203-204 Lesson 10.3 Compound Subjects, pp. 205-206 Lesson 10.4 Other Agreement Problems, pp. 207-208	In Chapter 10 , students explore a variety of subject-verb agreement situations. They learn a step-by-step approach to deciding whether a verb and subject agree, which they apply to editing a given article.
Example [Grade 6, p. 201] The subject and verb of a sentence must agree in number. Use a singular verb with a singular subject. Use a plural verb with a plural subject.	



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- (D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (ii) consistent, appropriate use of verb tenses;

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Chapter 8 Verbs, pp. 160-170 Lesson 8.1 Verbs, pp. 161-162 Lesson 8.2 Verb Forms and Regular Verbs, pp. 163-164 Lesson 8.3 Irregular Verbs, pp. 165-166 Lesson 8.4 Verb Tense, pp. 167-168 Lesson 8.5 Verbals, pp. 169-170	Chapter 8 Verbs reviews the description and function of verbs and verb forms. In Lesson 8.4 Verb Tense , students learn about the three simple tenses: present, past, and future. They also see how to form perfect tenses using a helping verb and present or past participle.
Example [Grade 6, p. 167]	
Writing Hint	
Using consistent verb tenses will help your readers follow your writing. Avoid making unnecessary changes in tense.	

(D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 (iii) conjunctive adverbs;

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 Chapter 9 Adjectives, Adverbs, and Other Parts of Speech, pp. 178-188 Lesson 9.1 Adjectives and Adverbs, pp. 179-180 Lesson 9.5 Conjunctions and Interjections, pp. 187-188 	Conjunctive adverbs are not taught at this level; however, students prepare for their introduction by studying adverbs in Lesson 9.1 and conjunctions in Lesson 9.5 .
	In Grade 7, students learn how conjunctive adverbs function as transitional words or phrases (see Lesson 4.4 Transitional Words and Phrases). Formal introduction to conjunctive adverbs begins in Grade 8 (Lesson 2.2 Run-on Sentences).



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- (D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (iv) prepositions and prepositional phrases and their influence on subject-verb agreement;

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Chapter 9 Adjectives, Adverbs, and Other Parts of Speech, pp. 178-188 Lesson 9.4 Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases, pp. 185-186	In Lesson 9.4 students the definition and use of prepositions and prepositional phrases. This prepares them for Lesson 10.2 Phrases Between Subject and Verb, which deals with spotting
Example [Grade 6, p. 185]	and fixing subject-verb agreement problems in sentences with prepositonal phrases.
A preposition is always part of a prepositional phrase , a group of words that begins with a preposition and ends with the object of the preposition. The object of a preposition is the noun or pronoun that follows the preposition.	sentences with prepositonal phrases.
Chapter 10 Subject-Verb Agreement, pp. 200- 208 Lesson 10.2 Phrases Between Subject and Verb, pp. 203-204	
Example [Grade 6, p. 203]	
The subject of a sentence is never in a prepositional phrase. Make sure the verb agrees with the subject and not with the object of the preposition.	

- D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (v) pronouns, including relative;

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Chapter 7 Nouns and Pronouns, pp. 140-148 Lesson 7.2 Pronouns, pp. 143-144 Lesson 7.7 Subject and Object Pronouns, pp. 145-146	Lesson 7.2 Pronouns explains the correct use of pronouns, including how a pronoun a noun, called the antecedent. Students learn about personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns. In Lesson 7.3 they study types of pronouns: subject
 Example [Grade 6, p. 143] Pronouns must always agree with their antecedent in person (first, second, or third person) and number (singular or plural). Personal pronouns, such as <i>l</i>, <i>you</i>, and <i>it</i>, are used the most. 	pronouns, predicate nominatives, and object pronouns, Relative pronouns are introduced in Grade 8 (Lesson 7.3 Using Pronouns).



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- (D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (vi) subordinating conjunctions to form complex sentences and correlative conjunctions such as either/or and neither/nor;

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Chapter 9 Adjectives, Adverbs, and Other Parts of Speech, pp. 178-188 Lesson 9.5 Conjunctions and Interjections, pp. 187-188	In Lesson 9.5 , students see several ways of using conjunctions, including with a compound subject, a compound verb, a compound sentence, and between two or more phrases.
<i>Example [Grade 6, p. 187]</i> Coordinating conjunctions join words, phrases, and clauses of equal importance. The most common coordinating conjunctions <i>are and</i> , <i>but, or, for, nor,</i> and <i>yet</i> .	Subordinating conjunctions are introduced in Grade 7 (see Lesson 3.4 Independent and Subordinate Clauses).

- D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (vii) capitalization of proper nouns, including abbreviations, initials, acronyms, and organizations;

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Chapter 12 Capitalization and Spelling, pp. 242-259 Lesson 12.1 Proper Nouns and Proper Adjectives, pp. 243-244 Lesson 12.2 First Words and Titles, pp. 245-246 Lesson 12.3 Other Capitalization Rules, pp. 247-248	In Chapter 12 , students study capitalization rules and examples then apply what they have learned in the exercises that follow each lesson.
Chapter 11 Punctuation, pp. 216-230 Lesson 11.1 End Marks, pp. 217-218 Lesson 11.2 Commas in Compound Sentences and Series, pp. 219-220 Lesson 11.3 Other Comma Uses, pp. 221-222 Lesson 11.4 Semicolons and Colons, pp. 223-224 Lesson 11.5 Quotation Marks, pp. 225-226 Lesson 11.6 Apostrophes, pp. 227-228 Lesson 11.7 Other Marks of Punctuation, pp. 229-230	Chapter 11 is a thorough course in the proper use of the most commonly used forms of punctuation. Lesson 11.3 Other Commas Uses features a table listing several comma use rules and examples. These include: Direct Address, Introductory Phrases or Words, Interrupters, Nonessential Clauses, Date and Year, and Direct Quotation.
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- D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (viii) punctuation marks, including commas in complex sentences, transitions, and introductory elements; and

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Example [Grade 6, p. 219]	
Commas are used before a conjunction in a compound sentence.	
l do enjoy cooking, but directions can be confusing.	
Fantasy football is fun, and most of my friends have a team.	

- D) edit drafts using standard English conventions, including:
 - (ix) correct spelling, including commonly confused terms such as its/it's, affect/effect, there/their/they're, and to/two/too; and

Grammar for Writing Grade 6 Feature & Location	Description
Chapter 12 Capitalization and Spelling, pp. 242-259 Lesson 12.4 Spelling Rules, pp. 249-250 Lesson 12.5 Plural Nouns, pp. 251-252 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 251]</i> Watch out for irregular plurals that follow no rules. You'll need to memorize the plural form of these words. child→children man→men foot→feet	Lesson 12.4 explains several helpful rules of spelling. The Spelling Rules Chart gives the rule, examples, and some exceptions. As explained in Lesson 12.5 Plural Nouns, there are regular (such as bells and books) and irregular (such as children and teeth) forms of plural nouns. Students are encouraged to memorize the correct spelling of irregular plurals
Frequently Misspelled Words, pp. 260-261 Commonly Confused Words, pp. 262-264 Example [Grade 6, p. 264]	Frequently Misspelled Words features a lengthy list of words with troublesome spelling, including <i>judgment</i> and <i>occassionally</i> .
to, too, two <i>To</i> , a preposition, means "in the direction of." <i>Too</i> , an adverb, means "also" or "very." <i>Two</i> is the number 2.	Commonly Confused Words includes a description and examples of several words that sound alike or similar when spoken but have different meanings and spellings.





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(E) publish written work for appropriate audiences.

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 Chapter 1 The Writing Process, pp. 8-29 Lesson 1.5 Publishing and Presenting, p. 20 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 20]</i> Consider different ways you could share your finished piece of writing. Try one of the suggestions below, or come up with an idea of your own. Submit your work to a school or local newspaper. Send it to friends or family in an e-mail. Read your work aloud to several classmates. Discuss their reactions and questions. Add photos or illustrations, and display your writing in your class or at the school library. Share it as part of a formal or informal oral presentation or speech to another class. Post it on a blog, or send it to a Web site that publishes student writing. 	Lesson 1.5 Publishing and Presenting describes ways students can use technology to share their writing with others. For example, students may send it to friends or family in an e-mail or send it to a Web site that publishes student writing. In the Exercise , students work together to discuss presentation strategies then present it to at least one other person.
 Writer's Workshop: Description, pp. 21-26 Writer's Workshop: Autobiographical Incident, pp. 68-73 Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay, pp. 110-116 Writer's Workshop: How-to Essay, pp. 149-155 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to Literature, pp. 189-195 Writer's Research Report, pp. 231-237 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 26]</i> Choose one of these ways to share your description. Present it to your class or family. Use poster board, and include pictures or keepsakes of the place. 	There are six Writer's Workshop lessons. Each one provides step-by-step instructions and guidelines that prepare students for the lesson assignment. The assignment features a description of Task, Audience, and Purpose. Instruction is provided for the following steps of the writing process: Prewriting, Drafting, Revising, Editing and Proofreading, and Publishing and Presenting .



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• Record it. Work with others to create a video recording of the place. Record pictures and souvenirs. Add music, and use your paper to narrate the video for the class.	





GENRES

The student uses genre characteristics and craft to compose multiple texts that are meaningful. The student is expected to:

(A) compose literary texts such as personal narratives, fiction, and poetry using genre characteristics and craft;

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Chapter 1 The Writing Process, pp. 8–29 Writer's Workshop: Description, pp. 21–26	For Writer's Workshop: Description, students practice using words to create vivid pictures of a person, place, event, or object.
Example [Grade 6, p. 22]	In Revising: Revising Questions , students
Form a Picture Help your audience picture the place you are describing. Paint an image with sensory details, which appeal to one or more of the five senses	analyze the effectiveness of their use of sensory language. They are taught to use words to show, not tell, what they mean. They learn about figurative language and imagery, with examples in context in the Literary Model .
Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice, pp. 30-53 Lesson 2.5 Using Sensory Details, pp. 43-45	Lesson 2.5 Using Sensory Details teaches students to use sensory words and details to create a clear, vivid picture of people, places, and
Example [Grade 6, p. 43]	events in their writing. After instruction and a Literary Model , they practice revising sentences
Sensory details are what we experience through our five senses—sight, sound, smell, taste, and touch.	by adding at least one sensory detail. For Exercise 3, they write an article that includes at least one detail for each of the five senses.
Chapter 6 Parts of a Sentence, pp. 120-139 Writing Application: Story, pp. 133-136	In Writing Application: Story , students learn about key elements of a story, including
Example [Grade 6, p. 135]	characters, setting, and the series of events, or plot. They distinguish between main and minor
Set Up the Story Now create a plot , the series of events that make up the story.	characters and are encouraged to use Character Map and Story Map graphic organizers when
The beginning of your story should introduce the characters and setting. Open with a bang to keep your readers interested. Be sure to show or hint at the conflict.	planning the first draft. They also analyze a Writing Model to see how to engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and introducing characters.



GENRES

The student uses genre characteristics and craft to compose multiple texts that are meaningful. The student is expected to:

 (B) compose informational texts, including multi-paragraph essays that convey information about a topic, using a clear controlling idea or thesis statement and genre characteristics and craft;

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 Chapter 7 Nouns and Pronouns, pp. 140-159 Writing Application: How-to Essay, pp. 149-155 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 149]</i> Have you ever followed a recipe or used instructions to buildsomething? If so, you have read how-to writing. How-to essays are informative or explanatory texts that describe the steps needed to do or make something. Among the many different kinds of how-to writing are recipes, instructions, and technical manuals. 	In writing a how-to essay, students focus on clearly describing in precise language the step-by-step process for performing an unfamiliar task. They pay special attention to the chronological order of tasks, using transitional words and phrases to avoid reader confusion.
Chapter 8 Verbs, pp. 160-177 Writing Application: Summary, pp. 171-174 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 171]</i> When you read a book's back cover or a movie synopsis on the Internet, you are reading a summary. Summaries retell the main idea and key details of an event, a narrative, or a piece of nonfiction.	In Writing Application: Summary, students summarize a non-fiction article. They learn to use their own words and style to restate ideas or actions in the original work. In the Writing Hint, they receive this instruction: You may quote a few words or a sentence from the original. Make sure to avoid plagiarism, or presenting other people's words and ideas as if they are your own. Enclose any original words in quotation marks.
Chapter 11 Punctuation, pp. 203-220 Writer's Workshop: Research Report, pp. 231- 237 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 152]</i> In this workshop, you will learn how to write a research report . A research report presents information gathered from multiple sources about a single topic.	Writer's Workshop: Research Report introduces several purposes of a research report, including telling someone's life story or a period in history, explaining an aspect of nature, evaluating an idea, or analyzing a process. The main emphasis of this assignment is on developing the ability to locate, analyze, summarize, and present relevant and credible evidence that supports the writer's thesis or claim.



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The student uses genre characteristics and craft to compose multiple texts that are meaningful. The student is expected to:

 (B) compose informational texts, including multi-paragraph essays that convey information about a topic, using a clear controlling idea or thesis statement and genre characteristics and craft;

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Chapter 9 Adjectives, Adverbs, and Other Parts of Speech, pp. 178-199 Writer's Workshop: Personal Response to Literature, pp. 189-195	In Writer's Workshop: Personal Response, students practice summarizing a work, including only the most important details. They consider overall meaning and literary elements, including their favorite parts; however, their primary objective is explaining how the work influenced them personally.
<i>Example [Grade 6, p. 189]</i> When you write a personal response to literature, you express your thoughts and feelings about a piece of literature. You use examples from the work to explain why you reacted the way you did.	

(C) compose multi-paragraph argumentative texts using genre characteristics and craft; and

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 Chapter 4 Effective Paragraphs, pp. 78-99 Writing Application: Opinion Paragraph, pp. 93-95 Example [Grade 6, p. 94] Writing Hint As you write your draft, use a formal style and a reasonable tone, or attitude. Be polite. You don't need to insult someone just to prove your point. In fact, an annoyed or angry tone may signal to readers that you don't have enough evidence to back up your opinion. 	In Writing Application: Opinion Paragraph , students learn to express an opinion or belief supported by reasons. They clearly state their opinion or claim as the topic sentence of their opinion paragraph. Key features of the assignment include clearly stated claim, logically organized reasons and relevant evidence, transitional words and phrases, and a logical conclusion.



GENRES

The student uses genre characteristics and craft to compose multiple texts that are meaningful. The student is expected to:

(C) compose multi-paragraph argumentative texts using genre characteristics and craft; and

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 Chapter 5 Writing an Essay, pp. 110-119 Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay, pp. 110-116 <i>Example [Grade 6, p. 111]</i> Be Bold Opinions are everywhere—on television, on the Internet, and in our everyday conversations. But not all opinions are equal. In your thesis statement, or claim, make sure 	Writer's Workshop: Persuasive Essay opens with a definition of persuasive writing, along with several examples and key features. For the assignment, students are given the task, audience, and purpose. They are guided through each carefully developed step of the writing process: Prewriting, Drafting, Revising, Editing and Proofreading, and Publishing and Presenting.
to include an opinion that is clear and well supported. Avoid thesis statements that don't say much or simply present a fact.	Suggestions for presenting their paper include reading it before a community meeting or adding it to a blog.
Write What You Think, pp. 36, 64, 86, 102, 124, 148, 162, 184, 188, 202, 220, 244	Write What You Think activities throughout the book help students think critically to develop clear arguments. Students write a brief response to the writing prompt that requires them to take a position. In addition, they may be instructed to incorporate a recently studied skill, such as using one introductory word or phrase and one interrupter.
Example [Grade 6, p. 18]	
Choose one statement below, and decide if you agree or disagree with it.	
 Humans should preserve all species of wild animals. 	
 The needs of humans are more important than the needs of animals. 	
 It's acceptable to destroy animals' habitats if humans need more land to build homes. 	
 On a separate sheet of paper, state your opinion clearly. Write at least four sentences, giving reasons to support your opinion. 	
2. Check for and fix any run-on sentences.	





(12) Inquiry and research: listening, speaking, reading, writing, and thinking using multiple texts.-

INQUIRY AND RESEARCH

The student engages in both short-term and sustained recursive inquiry processes for a variety of purposes. The student is expected to:

(D) compose correspondence that reflects an opinion, registers a complaint, or requests information in a business or friendly structure.

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Chapter 2 Effective Sentences and Word Choice. pp. 30-53 Writing Application: Friendly Letter, pp. 46-49	In Writing Application: Friendly Letter , students practice clear and coherent writing ppropriate for the purpose and audience.
Example [Grade 6, p. 46]	As listed in the Key Features box, the friendly
Friendly Letter	letter writing assignment calls for a clear structure that includes a heading, greeting, body,
When you want to express something to someone you care about, send a friendly letter . Friendly letters are little surprises and are more personal than e-mails.	closing, and signature.
Chapter 10 Subject-Verb Agreement, pp. 200- 215	In Writing Application: Business E-mail , students learn about the key features of the most common
Writing Application: Business E-mail, pp. 209- 211	form of business communication. They are admonished to be brief, to the point, and avoide
Example [Grade 6, p. 209]	wordiness. As part of the assignment, they use a computer and the Internet to produce and send a
Business E-mail	business e-mail.
Because they can be instantly sent and received, e-mails have become one of the most common ways to communicate. Today e-mail is acceptable for both casual messages and for more formal writing in the workplace. Business e-mails share many of the same purposes as business letters.	

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INQUIRY AND RESEARCH

The student engages in both short-term and sustained recursive inquiry processes for a variety of purposes. The student is expected to:

- (A) generate student-selected and teacher-guided questions for formal and informal inquiry;
- (B) develop and revise a plan;
- (C) refine the major research question, if necessary, guided by the answers to a secondary set of questions;
- (D) identify and gather relevant information from a variety of sources;
- (E) differentiate between primary and secondary sources;
- (F) synthesize information from a variety of sources;
- (G) examine sources for:
 - (i) reliability, credibility, and bias; and
 - (ii) faulty reasoning such as hyperbole, emotional appeals, and stereotype;
- (H) display academic citations and use source materials ethically; and
- (I) use an appropriate mode of delivery, whether written, oral, or multimodal, to present use an appropriate mode of delivery, whether written, oral, or multimodal, to present results.

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Chapter 11 Punctuation, pp. 203-220 Writer's Workshop: Research Report, pp. 231- 237 Example [Grade 6, p. 231]	For Writer's Workshop: Research Report, students discuss several reasons for conducting research. They review the Key Features of a research report then receive their assignment: write a three- to four-page research report that answers questions that students have wondered about. Students are required to use at least three sources. They also learn about primary and secondary sources. And they are warned to record information on sources to help avoid plagiarism. The Revising Questions on page 235 include a reflection on research: "How well did I use both primary and secondary sources?"
In this workshop, you will learn how to write a research report. A research report presents information gathered from multiple sources about a single topic.	
Example [Grade 6, p. 233]	
Prewriting	
Dig into the Topic Use the steps below as a guide as you gather information and begin to organize your ideas.	
1. Use the Internet carefully . Only trust Web sites from reliable sources, such as library, university, encyclopedia, and government sites. Check that the sites you use are free of errors, are regularly updated, and describe the subject fairly.	

