

Grade 4 Language Arts

A Year at a Glance

Writing		Research
Content	Process	
Write a Variety of Forms: * Information * Persuasion * Personal narratives * Realistic fiction Identify and Use Parts of Speech: * Adjectives * Adverbs * Nouns * Prepositions * Pronouns * Verbs Use Elements of Author's Craft: * Dialogue * Sentence variety * Specific vocabulary and information * Word choice	Use Technology to Plan, Draft, Revise, Edit, and Publish Writing Plan: * Identify intended audience * Focus on one aspect of a topic * Use a variety of planning strategies * Organize to convey a central idea * Use a writer's notebook * Establish and review writing goals Draft: * Write a clear topic sentence * Write multiple paragraphs on the same topic * Use transition words * Include supporting details that elaborate the main idea Revise: * Revise for clarity of content * Use available resources * Use a rubric to self-assess writing Edit: * Use correct punctuation (commas in series, dates, addresses; apostrophes in possessives and contractions; end punctuation; dialogue) * Use correct grammar * Eliminate double negatives * Spell correctly (frequently-used words, homophones, simple abbreviations) * Use a rubric to self-assess writing * Use appropriate resources to edit * Write legibly in manuscript and cursive forms	Locate, Evaluate, and Select Appropriate Resources: * Construct questions about a topic * Use a variety of information sources (online, print, media) * Select information related to an identified topic * Evaluate and synthesize information from two or more sources * Use available technology Sources: * Credit sources * Understand the difference between plagiarism and using own words