Grammar – 10th grade

- 1. Advanced Parts of Speech and Usage
 - Nouns and Pronouns: Abstract vs. concrete nouns, intensive and reflexive pronouns.
 - Verbs: Action vs. stative verbs, verb moods (indicative, imperative, subjunctive).
 - Adjectives and Adverbs: Proper placement and advanced comparative structures.
 - Prepositions and Phrases: Complex prepositional phrases and their effect on clarity.

 Conjunctions and Sentence Flow: Subordination and coordination for logical progression.

2. Sentence Structure and Syntax

- Phrase Types: Gerund, infinitive, and participial phrases.
- Clause Types: Independent, dependent (noun, adjective, adverb clauses).
- Sentence Types and Variations: Simple, compound, complex, compound-complex.
- Parallel Structure: Consistency in lists and comparisons.

 Sentence Fluency: Avoiding choppiness and improving cohesion.

3. Subject-Verb Agreement and Verb Tense Consistency

- Agreement in Complex Sentences:
 Compound subjects, indefinite
 pronouns, and collective nouns.
- Shifts in Tense: Maintaining consistency across clauses and paragraphs.
- . Active vs. Passive Voice: When to use each effectively.
- 4. Advanced Punctuation and Mechanics

- Comma Usage: Serial commas, dependent clause punctuation, introductory elements.
- Semicolons and Colons: Connecting related ideas, introducing quotations and lists.
- Dashes and Parentheses: Enhancing readability and emphasis.
- Apostrophes: Possessives, contractions, and common mistakes.
- Quotation Marks and Citation Rules: Punctuating dialogue and integrating sources correctly.
- 5. Common Writing Errors and Clarity

- Run-On Sentences and Comma
 Splices: Strategies for correction.
- Sentence Fragments and Incomplete Thoughts: Identifying and fixing missing components.
- Dangling and Misplaced Modifiers: Ensuring modifiers are logically placed.
- Redundancy and Wordiness:
 Strengthening writing by removing unnecessary words.
- 6. Tone, Style, and Formality
 - Formal vs. Informal Grammar: Academic vs. conversational writing.

- Word Choice and Diction: Choosing precise vocabulary for clarity and impact.
- Conciseness and Emphasis:
 Avoiding verbosity while maintaining meaning.

7. Application and Practice

- Editing and Proofreading Exercises:
 Analyzing and correcting grammar mistakes in complex writing.
- Sentence Transformation:
 Converting passive to active voice,
 reworking awkward phrasing.
- Paragraph Writing: Developing clear, structured arguments with proper syntax and mechanics.

8. Assessment & Homework

- In-Class Quiz: Identifying errors, correcting sentences, and analyzing sentence structures.
- . Homework Assignment: Write a formal response (10-12 sentences) analyzing a passage, ensuring proper grammar, punctuation, and sentence variety.