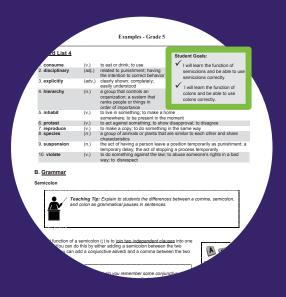


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Each week will have an in-depth lesson (which we call Examples), homework, and answers. In these next pages, we offer a closer look at what our Examples, homework, and answers offer as well as a specific example of each.

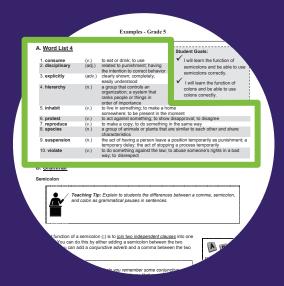


Student Goals

Student goals are listed at the top right of the Examples each week. These are topics that your child should understand by the end of the week.

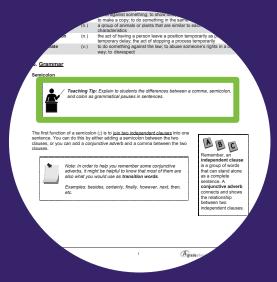


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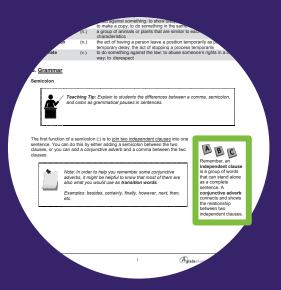
Vocabulary Word List

Your child will receive a vocabulary list for the week. Depending on the grade level, these words may be words that are difficult to spell, or they may not know the meaning of the word yet.



Teaching Tip

Teaching tips are suggestions to help you or your teacher present the topic to your child. These could include topics to review first or even an activity to do with your child.



ABC Word Boxes

These word boxes define terms used within the lesson that your child may not know.



Examples

To illustrate the topic, examples are provided to you and your child. These examples help demonstrate how to solve the problem or figure out the answer.





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Homework

Each week, four days of homework are given to apply concepts from that week's lesson and reinforce the topic.

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Answers

Answers are provided to check your child's homework. Enter the scores into the Parent Portal to track progress and note which areas may need more work.

Student Goals:

A. Word List 1

1. continual	(adj.)	ongoing; happening frequently within a short time; going on without stopping	✓ I will learn the function of a noun in a sentence and be		
2. drawback	(n.)	a disadvantage; an inconvenient occurrence; a hindrance	able to recognize nouns. ✓ I will learn the function of a		
3. immensely	(adv.)	in an incredibly large or huge manner			
4. incur	(v.)	to bring upon oneself; to cause yourself to have an experience (usually unwanted)	verb in a sentence and be able to recognize verbs. I will learn and be able to use		
5. malicious	(adj.)	having the desire to harm others; filled with malice	the basic verb tenses.		
6. prospect	(n.)	an opportunity; a possibility for a			
		future event; someone or something			
		that has a high likelihood of succeeding or	happening		
7. proverb	(n.)	a popular saying (usually brief) that gives advice; a maxim			
8. recklessly	(adv.)	done without caution; carelessly; in a man	ner ignorant of consequences		
9. restlessnes	s (n.)	the state of being unhappy; sleeplessness	; anxiousness		
10 villainv	(n)	awful or malicious behavior			

B. Grammar

Parts of Speech



Teaching Tip: Because this is a condensed lesson on parts of speech, (topics covered in 4th grade), review familiar topics quickly, in order to focus on what is not understood.

Nouns

Nouns are words used to name a person, animal, place, thing, or idea. They can be singular or plural.

Singular Nouns: Singular nouns name one object.

Plural Nouns: Plural nouns name more than one object.



Examples: (Singular) The dog bounded after the squirrel.

(Plural) I decided to bake cupcakes for the children.

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Common Nouns: Common nouns are non-specific and not capitalized.



Examples: Late last <u>year</u> our <u>neighbors</u> bought a <u>goat</u>. The <u>bandit</u> made off with all the <u>money</u>.

Proper Nouns: Proper nouns are specific and capitalized.



Examples: Portia White was an opera singer.

My friend thinks <u>Joe Louis</u> is the greatest boxer of all time. <u>Jessie</u>'s birthday is in <u>November</u>. Her favorite subject is <u>English</u>.

<u>Possessive Nouns:</u> Possessive nouns show ownership. They will end in 's or s' and can be either singular or plural.



Examples: (Singular Possessive) The <u>boy's</u> ice cream began to melt in the hot sun. (Plural Possessive) My <u>cats'</u> toys littered the living room floor.

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The <u>children's</u> classroom was bright and colorful.



Note: Notice that you use 's when the word does not already end in "s," and you use s' when the word already ends in an "s."

Verbs

Verbs are words that show action in a sentence.

Action Verbs: Action verbs show physical action.



Examples: The jolly pirate <u>laughed</u> while he <u>admired</u> his loot.

I jumped for joy the day I received all A's on my report card.

<u>Helping Verbs:</u> A helping verb works with a main verb. Remember, a main verb is the part of speech that expresses state, action, or occurrence. A helping verb comes before the main verb to help indicate tense or change the meaning of the verb slightly.



Examples: I have gone to the pet store many times.

The helping verb "have" changes the tense so that it is now in past perfect.

Sally was *laughing* loudly at the joke.

The helping verb "was" changes the tense so that it is now in past continuous.

I do like to dance.

The helping verb "do" changes the meaning slightly. It puts emphasis on the main verb "like."

A mnemonic device to help you with helping verbs is CHAD B. SWIM

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may	is	will	shall	be	do	am	have	can
might		would	should	being	does	are	has	could
must		was		been	did		had	
		were						



Teaching Tip: To teach helping verbs, use CHAD B. SWIM. Students should memorize these verbs. After you have reviewed these verbs, write a sentence without a helping verb. (EX: Rick walks to the park.) Add all the helping verbs that would make sense.

Rick CAN walk to the park.

Rick COULD walk to the park.

Rick HAD walked to the park.

Rick DOES walk to the park.

Rick DID walk to the park.

Rick SHALL walk to the park.

Rick SHOULD walk to the park.

Rick WILL walk to the park.

Rick WOULD walk to the park.

Rick WAS walking to the park.

Rick IS walking to the park.

Rick MAY walk to the park.

Rick MIGHT walk to the park.

Rick MUST walk to the park.

Ask the following questions to your student(s): How does the helping verb change? How does the meaning of each sentence change?



Note: Help<mark>in</mark>g verbs are also part of contractions. Remember, a contraction is two words put together to form one, shortened word.

Example: I'm = I am

Compound Verbs: Compound verbs are the combination of a helping verb and an action verb.



Examples: We shall run for office once we're thirty-five.

They were punished for disrupting the gym teacher's exercises.

I have never laughed so hard in my life!



Note: Notice that even when separated by a negative, such as "never" or "not," a helping verb and action verb still form a compound verb. Example: I have not visited my grandmother yet.

Verb Tenses

Verb tenses show when in time an action is taking place. Although there are many verb tenses, for now, we will focus on the basic tenses.

<u>Past Tense:</u> The past tense shows action that happened before now. It will often (although not always) end in –d or –ed.



Examples: I <u>arrived</u> in Hawaii yesterday for my tropical vacation.

My sister sang a beautiful song at her high school graduation.

<u>Present Tense:</u> The present tense shows action that is happening now.



Examples: I normally <u>eat</u> very quickly.

My best friend dances with grace and beauty.

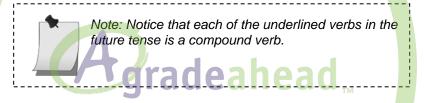
<u>Future Tense:</u> The future tense shows action that will happen after now. It will always pair with the helping verb "will," unless it is first person ("I" or "We"), in which case it may pair with the helping verb "shall."



Examples: He will go with you to the movies tonight.

We shall not disagree with you on something so important.

Sam will be happy when exams are over.



Date:	Start Time:	End Time:	Comprehension	Score:	/ 8
			Vocabulary	Score:	/10
			Grammar	Score:	/20

A. Comprehension - Read the passage.

"Mr. Cuddles' Mistake"

Yesterday, after a long morning of sewing silken dresses at the shop, I decided to take a lunch break. This was my first day of work, and while it was nice to have a job, there was one **drawback**: I spent most of the day inside. There was a good reason for this, however. My friends and I had lately been accused of some **villainy** in town, of which we were innocent. We would never do anything **malicious**, but the police were still looking for us. I was lucky to know some magic, and I could stay in the shop. My friends had to hide in a stinky sewer. Still, the **continual** movement of the needle and thread did nothing to prevent my **restlessness**.

Using a magic spell to change my appearance so that the police would not recognize me, my pet giant scorpion, Mr. Cuddles, and I wandered into the street. When I looked down the road toward my favorite restaurant, the Snack Hole, I saw that the police were stopping everyone who walked past them. In spite of my disguise, I was worried that they might find Mr. Cuddles and hurt him. I walked into a bookstore instead. I hoped that carrying a book would improve my **prospects** of getting past the police. While I pretended to read a book, Mr. Cuddles climbed **recklessly** out of a window, right in front of the police. He hurried back into the bookstore and under my jacket. I muttered the old **proverb**, "Look before you leap."



Suddenly the police ran into the bookstore and began looking for Mr. Cuddles. They asked me if I had seen a giant scorpion. I told them that if there were something as immensely creepy as a giant scorpion in the store, I was leaving. The police did not recognize me and let me leave the bookstore. Finally, I was free to walk down to the Snack Hole for a delicious lunch.

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4. How does the main character change	e her appearance?
A) She wears different clothes.C) She wears make-up.	B) She uses magic.D) She covers her face with her hands.
5. How does the main character feel ab	out Mr. Cuddles?
A) She does not want him to ge	t hurt. B) She is scared of him.
C) She thinks he is creepy.	D) She wants the police to find him.
6. What is meant by "look before you lea	ар?"
A) Wear goggles when sky-divi	Line in the second seco
C) Magic solves every problem	D) Do not act recklessly.
7. Why is the main character allowed to	
A) The police find Mr. Cuddles.C) The police do not recognize	B) The main character climbs out of a window.her.D) She is not allowed to leave
8. What was Mr. Cuddles' mistake?	
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B. Vocabulary – Match each vocabula	
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1. continual:	A. expression
2. drawback:	B. constant
3. immensely:	C. opportunity
4. incur:	D. constant movement
5. prospect:	E. enormously
6. proverb:	F. carelessly
7. recklessly:	G. cruel
8. restlessness:	H. disadvantage
9. malicious:	I. wickedness
10. villainv:	J. acquire

C. Grammar – Nouns – Underline the common noun(s) and place parentheses () around the proper noun(s) in each sentence. Some sentences may contain only one type of noun.
1. Three little cats lived in the house with Mrs. Fitzgerald.
2. Amelia loves to visit her grandmother in Tampa.
3. Many people will eat apples in the fall.
4. A bright green leaf fluttered onto the ground from the tallest tree in the forest.
5. A little puppy may grow to be a big dog.
6. Molly and Samuel went to their favorite restaurant, Don's Grill, and ordered hamburgers.
Verbs – Underline the verb(s) in the following sentences. Then, state the tense of the verb(s) (past, present, future). 7-8. I placed the mail on the table. Tense:
9-10. I wake up at 6:00 each morning. Tense:
11-12. I came home after a long vacation to Tense: California.
13-14. My mother and I will go to the zoo on Tense: Thursday. Tense: Thursday.
15-16. Every time Charlie calls his uncle, the Tense: telephone breaks.
17-18. Wally wrote so many sentences, that Tense: his pencil became dust.
CHALLENGE! Rewrite the following sentence in the verb tense provided. Kelly ran down to the creek with a bright blue bucket.
19. present
20. future

Week: 1 - Day 1

A. Comprehension

- Answer will vary slightly. The main character is hiding from the police because she was accused of doing something wrong; even though, she did not do it.
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- Answer will vary slightly. Mr. Cuddles climbed out of the window without looking to see if it was safe first. He was spotted by the police.

B. Vocabulary

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C. Grammar

- cats & house; (Mrs. Fitzgerald) grandmother; (Amelia) & (Tampa) 1. 3. people, apples, & fall leaf, ground, tree, & forest
- puppy & dog
- 5. restaurant & hamburgers; (Molly), (Samuel), & (Don's Grill) 6. 7. placed 9. wake 10. present came 12. past 11. 13. will go 14. future 15. calls; breaks 16. present wrote; became 17. 18. past
- 19. Kelly runs down to the creek with a bright blue bucket. 20. Kelly will run down to the creek with a bright blue bucket.
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