

Essay Writing Syllabus

Lesson 1: 3-Paragraph Parable Set-up

Sentence Structure: Essay Checklist 1 – 9 & Essay No List

Titles / Skeleton Outline

Poetry: Haiku

Lesson 2: 3-Paragraph Parable Rewrite

Sentence Structure: 3rd Person

Poetry: Haiku – Similes

Lesson 3: 4-Paragraph Myth Set-up

Sentence Structure: Transitions

Poetry: Word Acrostic – Participles

Lesson 4: 4-Paragraph Myth

Sentence Structure: Adjectives

Poetry: Descriptive

Lesson 5: Introductory Paragraph 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Adverbs

Poetry: Active

Lesson 6: Concluding Paragraph 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Verb Tense & Descriptive Active Verbs

Poetry: Single Concept – Alliteration / Assonance

Lesson 7: Support Paragraphs 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Who/which Clauses

Poetry: Place Acrostic – Personification

Lesson 8: Essay Outline & Thesis

Thesis Statement

Sentence Structure: Here, there, this, that, these, or those

Poetry: Color Sense (similes) – Hyperbole

Lesson 9: Explanatory Set-up

Essay Organization / Types of Essays / Condensed Essay Checklist

Sentence Structure: Vary sentence length

Poetry: Cinquain

Lesson 10: Explanatory Essay

MLA Format / Condensed Essay Checklist Edit

Sentence Structure: Clauses: while, when, where, since, as, if, as if, although, because & Apostrophes

Poetry: Alphabet Acrostic / Onomatopoeia

Lesson 11: Informative Essay Set-Up: Business

6 Paragraphs – 4 Supports Essay

Sentence Structure: Prepositional Phrases/Run-on Sentences

Poetry: Tanka

Lesson 12: Informative Essay: Business

Purpose & Audience

Sentence Structure: Homonyms

Poetry: Calendar – Idioms

Lesson 13: Christmas Essay Set-up

Essay Organizational Strategies

Sentence Structure: Expand Sentences

Poetry: Couplets & Quatrains – Clerihews

Lesson 14: Christmas Essay

Sentence Structure: Be concise – avoid wordiness

Poetry: Parody – Quatrains & Triplets as Poetry in Music

Lesson 15: Figures of Speech Review

Poetry: Parody

Lesson 16: National Park Essay Set-up

Quotations & Works Cited

Sentence Structure: Participle Openers

Poetry: Diamante

Lesson 17: National Park Essay

Sentence Structure: Commas

Poetry: Sight/Word Pictures – Metaphors

Lesson 18: Extended Essay Set-up

7 – 11 Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Imagery use in essays

Poetry: Living Life Poetry

Lesson 19: Extended Essay

Sentence Structure: Hooks

Poetry: Anaphora

Lesson 20: Introduce Research Paper

Gathering sources/Paraphrasing

Preliminary Set-up

Sentence Structure: Semi-colons

Poetry: Antithesis

Lesson 21: Taking Notes on Note Cards

Hooks

Sentence Structure: Colons

Poetry: Epistrophes

Lesson 22: Final Outline

Organize Note Cards/Outline Preparation

Sentence Structure: Complimentary adjectives with clauses

Poetry: Anadiplosis

Lesson 23: Rough Draft

Sentence Structure: Review sentence writing

Poetry: Extended Anadiplosis

Lesson 24: Final Copy

Sentence Structure: Review Colons & Semicolons

Poetry: Epanalepsis

Lesson 25: Independent Essay Set-up

Sentence Structure: Definitions – Dictionary Game

Poetry: Antimetabole

Lesson 26: 1st Timed Essay

Sentence Structure: Homonym Game

Poetry: Chiasmus – Inverse Parallelism

Lesson 27: 60 Minute Essay

Sentence Structure: Essay Checklist Review Game

Poetry: Epizeuxis

Lesson 28: 45 Minute Essay

Sentence Structure: Spelling Game

Poetry: Diamante – Opposite

Lesson 29: 30 Minute Essay

Sentence Structure: Figures of Speech Game

Poetry: Limerick

Lesson 30: Review Essay

Poetry: None

Sentence Structure: Review Game