

Scope and Sequence

Content Area: **English Language Arts**
Course(s): **English Language Arts**
Time Period: **Full Year**
Length: **Length of the Course**
Status: **Published**

Course Overview

The First Grade Writer's Workshop curriculum teaches children how to write in different genres and to work with independence, confidence, and stamina. In the first unit on narrative writing, the children learn to zoom in on small moments in their lives to tell a story about themselves. Small moments will be developed into realistic fiction stories when narrative writing is revisited later in the year. The narrative writing unit, From Scenes to Stories, is designed to teach students how to story tell and plan stories. The information unit aims to take knowledge of what students already know and are passionate about and allow them to teach what they know as they write nonfiction chapter books. In the unit on opinion, students learn that writing can give them a way to make and defend decisions and opinions. They will learn to write their judgments, their reasons for those judgments, and to organize their reasons, supplying supporting details. In their final unit, students are immersed in song and poetry before they begin writing their own poems and songs with feeling and precise language. Throughout the year, writers will also be encouraged to write with proper use of writing conventions, to work in partnerships, and to use mentor texts to help them in their writing.

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| Order of the Unit | Title of the Unit | Time Frame |
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| Unit 1 | Narrative Writing | 8 weeks |
| Unit 2 | Information, Nonfiction Chapter Books | 8 weeks |
| Unit 3 | Opinion, Writing Reviews | 8 weeks |
| Unit 4 | Narrative, Writing Fiction | 8 weeks |
| Unit 5 | Poetry, Songwriting | 8 weeks |

Date of Board Approval

This curriculum was approved by the Green Brook Board of Education on August 28, 2017.

