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Language Arts 500 Course Overview

Language Arts 500 continues to build on the sequential development and integration of communication skills in four major areas—reading, writing, speaking, and listening. It most specifically focuses on deepening and furthering students' understanding in the following ways:

- **Unit 1:** Understanding main ideas and the author's message through vocabulary
- **Unit 2:** Reading stories and poetry to review comprehension skills, mood, and compound words
- **Unit 3:** Exploring parts of speech and language including prefixes, suffixes, homonyms, and idioms
- **Unit 4:** Applying strategies for effective communication in writing and speech
- **Unit 5:** Reading and writing stories efficiently including use of dialogue
- **Unit 6:** Identifying characteristics of different types of poetry
- **Unit 7:** Exploring reading passages and applying knowledge of story parts and language
- **Unit 8:** Using language effectively to describe and compare
- **Unit 9:** Planning, drafting, and editing a research-based report

Unit 1: Jesus, Our Example	
Assignments	
1. Course Overview	12. Essay: Using Spelling Words*
2. The Author's Message	13. Spelling Quiz 2
3. Project: Finding the Topic	14. Communicating with Handwriting
4. Vowel Diphthong Design	15. Spelling Lesson 3: Silent e
5. Spelling Lesson 1: Vowel Diphthongs	16. Quiz 3
6. Quiz 1	17. Spelling Quiz 3
7. Spelling Quiz 1	18. Special Project*
8. Narrative Elements	19. Review Game
9. Vocabulary Study: Dictionary Respellings	20. Test
10. Spelling Lesson 2: Vowel Digraphs	21. Alternate Test*
11. Quiz 2	22. Reference

Unit 2: Working with Information	
Assignments	
1. The Author of the Story	13. Mood
2. Reading an Excerpt: CALL IT COURAGE	14. Poetry
3. Project: Outline - The Polynesian People*	15. Contractions
4. Compound Words and Hyphens	16. Spelling Lesson 3: Contractions
5. Spelling Lesson 1: Compound Words	17. Quiz 3
6. Quiz 1	18. Spelling Quiz 3
7. Spelling Quiz 1	19. Special Project*
8. Finding Main Ideas (1)	20. Review Game
9. Finding Main Ideas (2)	21. Test
10. Spelling Lesson 2: Spelling Troublemakers	22. Alternate Test*
11. Quiz 2	23. Reference
12. Spelling Quiz 2	

Unit 3: The Story of Our Language		
Assignments		
Language Arts 500	1. In the Beginning	13. Middle and Modern English
	2. Word Study	14. Homonyms, Idioms, and Abbreviations
	3. Spelling Lesson 1: Words with Many Syllables	15. Essay: Descriptive Story
	4. Quiz 1	16. Spelling Lesson 3: Antonyms
	5. Quiz: Spelling 1	17. Quiz 3
	6. Abused Language in the Garden	18. Quiz: Spelling 3
	7. Prefixes and Suffixes	19. Project: Book Report—Nonfiction*
	8. Phrases, Adjectives, and Adverbs	20. Special Project*
	9. Spelling Lesson 2: Silent Letters	21. Review Game
	10. Quiz 2	22. Test
	11. Quiz: Spelling 2	23. Alternate Test*
	12. Anglo-Saxon Literature; Author's Purpose	24. Reference

Unit 4: Effective Communication		
Assignments		
Language Arts 500	1. Main Idea and Supporting Details	14. Project: Taking Notes
	2. Sentence Patterns; Speaking Courteously	15. The Written Report (2)
	3. Spelling Lesson 1: Silent Letters	16. Project: Outline
	4. Quiz 1	17. Essay: Report
	5. Spelling Quiz 1	18. Spelling Lesson 3: Homonyms
	6. Sensible Sentences	19. Quiz 3
	7. Essay: Pollution	20. Spelling Quiz 3
	8. Reading Skills	21. Special Project*
	9. Spelling Lesson 2: Same Sounds, Different Letters	22. Review Game
	10. Quiz 2	23. Test
	11. Spelling Quiz 2	24. Alternate Test*
	12. Essay: Robin Hood	25. Reference
	13. The Written Report (1)	

Unit 5: Reading and Writing Stories		
Assignments		
Language Arts 500	1. Reading a Story	13. Quiz 2
	2. Essay: Writing a Summary	14. Spelling Quiz 2
	3. Judging the Value of a Story	15. Story Writing
	4. Project: Book Report—Historical Fiction*	16. Essay: Short Story
	5. Spelling Lesson 1: Suffixes	17. Spelling Lesson 3: Prefixes
	6. Quiz 1	18. Quiz 3
	7. Spelling Quiz 1	19. Spelling Quiz 3
	8. Mastering Dialogue	20. Special Project*
	9. Project: Making Conversation	21. Review Game
	10. Project: Seed Ideas*	22. Test
	11. Writing Better Sentences	23. Alternate Test*
	12. Spelling Lesson 2: Ordinal Numbers; Suffix -ism	24. Reference

Unit 6: Poetry	
Assignments	
1. Reading Story Poems	14. Poetic Ideas and Devices
2. Enjoying Poetry	15. Writing Poetry
3. Project: Working with Rhythm	16. Project: Pen Pictures and Couplets
4. Spelling Lesson 1: Suffixes	17. Project: Free Verse Prayer
5. Quiz 1	18. Project: Poetry Book*
6. Spelling Quiz 1	19. Spelling Lesson 3: Plurals
7. Reading Humorous Poems	20. Quiz 3
8. Playing with Words	21. Spelling Quiz 3
9. Project: Book Report—Poetry*	22. Special Project*
10. Spelling Lesson 2: Suffixes	23. Review Game
11. Quiz 2	24. Test
12. Spelling Quiz 2	25. Alternate Test*
13. Reading Inspirational Poems	26. Reference

Unit 7: Reading Comprehension	
Assignments	
1. Cause and Effect	16. The Story of Marc
2. From GULLIVER'S TRAVELS	17. Spelling Lesson 3: Words with /aw/
3. Essay: Land of Lilliput	18. Quiz 3
4. Spelling Lesson 1: Homonyms	19. Spelling Quiz 3
5. Quiz 1	20. Adjectives (1)
6. Spelling Project: Homonyms	21. Project: Using Adjectives*
7. Spelling Quiz 1	22. Adjectives (2)
8. Reviewing Nouns	23. Spelling Lesson 4: Unexpected Spellings
9. Singular and Plural Nouns	24. Quiz 4
10. Possessive Nouns; Uses of Nouns (Case)	25. Spelling Quiz 4
11. Noun Substitutes	26. Special Project*
12. Spelling Lesson 2: Words with /sh/	27. Review Game
13. Quiz 2	28. Test
14. Spelling Quiz 2	29. Alternate Test*
15. Judgments, Inferences, Facts, and Opinions	30. Reference

Unit 8: Working with Words	
Assignments	
1. Main Verbs	15. Aesop and Fables
2. Verb Forms	16. Essay: Fable Rewrite
3. Subject/Verb Agreement; Contractions	17. Project: Retelling Fables*
4. Participles	18. Parables-Stories Jesus Told
5. Spelling Lesson 1: Suffix -ure	19. Project: Parables*
6. Quiz 1	20. Spelling Lesson 3: Suffixes -al, -ial, -ual
7. Spelling Quiz 1	21. Quiz 3
8. Modifying with Adverbs	22. Spelling Quiz 3
9. Changing Adjectives into Adverbs	23. Special Project*
10. Extra Practice: Using Adverbs in Writing*	24. Review Game
11. Showing Comparisons	25. Test
12. Spelling Lesson 2: Suffixes -age, -ion	26. Alternate Test*
13. Quiz 2	27. Reference
14. Spelling Quiz 2	

Unit 9: Reading and Study Skills		
Assignments		
Language Arts 500	1. Improving Reading Fluency and Study Skills	14. Recognizing Facts and Opinions in a Report
	2. A Story About Old England	15. Project: Facts and Opinions Report
	3. Spelling Lesson 1: Using Syllable to Help You Spell	16. Report: Facts and Opinions
	4. Quiz 1	17. Spelling Lesson 3: Homonyms with Long /e/
	5. Spelling Quiz 1	18. Quiz 3
	6. Using Graphic Aids; Outlining	19. Spelling Quiz 3
	7. A Story About Esther	20. Special Project*
	8. Report: Summary of Esther	21. Review Game
	9. Project: Book Report—Biography*	22. Test
	10. Spelling Lesson 2: Sight Words	23. Alternate Test*
	11. Quiz 2	24. Reference
	12. Spelling Quiz 2	
	13. Reviewing Literary Forms	

Unit 10: Review		
Assignments		
Language Arts 500	1. Literature	13. Using Adverbs
	2. Project: Book Report—Fiction*	14. Quiz 2
	3. Project: Composition Folder*	15. Reading and Bible Study Skills
	4. Poetry	16. Types of Sentences
	5. Project: Poetry Project	17. Essay: Dialogue
	6. Using Nouns and Adjectives	18. Essay: Personal Reaction
	7. Writing a Short Story	19. Quiz 3
	8. Essay: Short Story	20. Special Project*
	9. Quiz 1	21. Review Game
	10. Reading Comprehension	22. Test
	11. Using Word Study Skills	23. Alternate Test*
	12. Using Verbs	24. Reference

(*) Indicates alternative assignment