

Crockett Middle School
8th Grade English
Syllabus

Grammar: Obj. 6: 16 B, D; 17 G, H

Writing: Obj. 1: 15A; 16A; 18C,D; Obj. 2: 16B, E, F; 17G; 18C, D

August 27-31:

Students will receive the course syllabus, which needs to be signed by both the student and parent/guardian. Students will begin writing in their journals, which they will do four times a week throughout the school year. Students will complete worksheets on capitalization rules. They will listen to the teacher read a short story and begin a rough draft of their own short story to be turned in at the end of week four. They will also read a short narrative on the origins of Native Americans and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view a documentary video segment on Native Americans and interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary.

Review

Workbook: Unit 12 – Capitalization pages 243-251

Lesson 73 Capitalizations of Sentences, Quotations, and Salutations (Ex. 1 p. 243)

Lesson 74 Capitalization of Names and Titles of Persons (Ex. 1 & 2 p. 245-246)

Lesson 75 Capitalizations of Names and Places (Ex. 1&2 p. 247-248)

Lesson 76 Capitalizations of Other People Nouns and Adjectives (Ex. 1 & 2 p. 249-250)

September 3–7:

Students will continue journal writing and capitalization rules review. Students will read new narratives on Native American history and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view another portion of the documentary on Native American history and further interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary.

Unit Review (251)

Unit 12 Test

Workbook: Unit 13 – Punctuation pgs. 255-277

Lesson 77 Periods and Other End Marks. (Ex. 1 pg. 255)

Lesson 78 Using Commas to Single Pause or Separation (Ex. 1 pg. 257)

Lesson 79 Using Commas with Clauses (Ex. 1 pg. 259)

Sept. 3 Labor Day Holiday

Lesson 80 Using Commas with Titles, Addresses, and Dates (Ex. 1&2 pg. 261-262)

Lesson 81 Using Commas with Direct Quotes, in Letters, and for Charity

(Ex. 1&2 pg. 263-264)

Lesson 82 Using Semicolons and Colons (Ex. 1 pg. 265)

Lesson 83 Using Quotation Marks and Italics (Ex. 1&2 pg. 267-268)

Lesson 84 Using the Apostrophe (Ex. 1&2 pg. 269-270)

Lesson 86 Using Abbreviations (Ex. 1&2 pg. 273-274)

September 10-14:

Students will continue journal writing and capitalization rules review. Students will read new narratives on Native American history and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view another portion of the documentary on Native American history and further interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary.

Lesson 87 Writing Numbers (Ex. 1 pg. 275)

Unit 13 Review (277)

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Unit 13 Test

Unit 14

Lesson 88 Building Vocabulary: Learning from Context (pg. 283)

Lesson 89 Word Roots (pg.285)

Lesson 90 Prefixes and Suffixes (pg. 287)

September 17-21:

Students will continue journal writing and begin punctuation rules review. Students will read narratives on pre-revolutionary era America and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view a video documentary on Benjamin Franklin and interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary. **Due September 21: three-page short story rough draft**

Lesson 91 Synonyms and Antonyms (pg. 209)

Lesson 92 Homographs and Homophones (pg. 291)

Lesson 93 Basic Spelling Rules (pg. 293)

Lesson 94 Basic Spelling Rules II (pg. 295)

September 24-28

Unit Review (pg. 297)

Unit 14 Test

September 24-28:

Students will continue journal writing and punctuation rules review. Students will read narratives on revolutionary era America and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view another portion of a video documentary on Benjamin Franklin and interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary.

October 1-5: Students will continue journal writing and review rules for abbreviations and numbers. Students will read narratives on revolutionary era America and answer reading comprehension questions (one-sentence answers and one-paragraph answers) based on the narrative. Students will view another portion of a video documentary on Benjamin Franklin and interpret the events and ideas portrayed in the documentary. **Exam: 1st six weeks benchmark assessment (capitalization, punctuation, abbreviations, and numbers)**

Review for Six Weeks Test

2nd Tues. Six Weeks Test

Go over Test

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October 8-12:

October 8:

Workbook Lesson 81 Using Commas with Direct Quotes, in Letters & for Clarity p. 263-4

p. 77 Bellringer 20.4

p. 136 Daily Lang. Transparency 20.4

October 9:

Workbook Lesson 82 Using Semicolons and Colons

p. 78 Bellringer 20.5

p. 137 Daily Lang. Transparency 20.5

October 10:

Workbook Lesson 83 Using Quotation Marks and Italics

P. 78 Bellringer 20.6

p. 138 Daily Lang. Transparency 20.6

October 11:

Workbook Lesson 84

Using the Apostrophe p. 269-70

p. 79 Bellringer 20.7

p. 139 Daily Lang. Transparency 20.7

October 12

Workbook Lesson 86 Abbreviations p. 273-4

p. 80 Bellringer 20.9

p. 141 Daily Lang. Transparency 20.9

October 15-19:

Oct. 15

Workbook Lesson 25 Pronouns: Personal p. 107-8

p. 52 Bellringer 11.1

p. 90 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.1

Oct. 16

Workbook Lesson 26 Pronouns and Antecedents p. 109-110

p. 52 Bellringer 11.2

p. 91 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.2

Oct. 17

Workbook Lesson 27 Using Pronouns Correctly

p. 53 Bellringer 11.3

p. 93 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.3

Oct. 18

Workbook Lesson 28 Pronouns: Possessive and Indefinite p.113-4

p. 53 Bellringer 11.4

p. 94 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.4

Oct. 19

Workbook Lesson 29 Pronouns: Reflexive and Intensive p. 115-6

p. 54 Bellringer 11.6

p. 95 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.6

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October 22-26

Oct. 22 Workbook Lesson 30 Pronouns: Interrogative and Demonstrative p117-8
p. 55 Bellringer 11.7
p. 96 Daily Lang. Transparency 11.7

Oct. 23
Unit 4 Review p. 119

Oct. 24
Workbook Lesson 13 Verb: UNIT 3 Action Verbs p.75-6
p. 46 Bellringer 10.1
p. 78 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.1

Oct. 25
Workbook Lesson 14 Verbs: Transitive and Intransitive p. 77-8
p. 46 Bellringer 10.2
p. 79 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.2

Oct. 26
Workbook Lesson 15 Verbs with Indirect Objects p.70-80
p. 47 Bellringer 10.3
p. 80 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.3
Early Release

October 29-Nov. 2

Oct. 29
Workbook Lesson 16 Linking Verbs and Predicate Words p. 81-2
p. 47 Bellringer 10.4
p. 81 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.4

Oct. 30
CONTINUE: Workbook Lesson 16 Linking Verbs and Predicate
Words p. 83-4

Nov. 1
Workbook Lesson 17 Present and Past Tenses p.85-86
p. 48 Bellringer 10.5
p. 82 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.5

Nov. 2
CONTINUE: Workbook Lesson 17 Present and Past Tenses p. 87-88
p. 48 Bellringer 10.5
p. 82 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.5

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Nov. 3
Workbook Lesson 18 Main Verbs and Helping Verbs
p. 48 Bellringer 10.6
p. 83 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.6

November 5-9

Nov. 5
Workbook Lesson 19 Verb Forms: Present Progressive and Past Progressive p. 91-2
p.49 Bellringer 10.7
p. 84 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.7

Nov. 6
Workbook Lesson 20 Perfect Tenses: Present and Past p. 93-4
p. 49 Bellringer 10.8
p. 85 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.8

Nov. 7
Workbook Lesson 21 Expressing Future Time p. 95-6
p. 50 Bellringer 10.9
p. 86 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.9

Nov. 8
Workbook Lesson 23 Irregular Verbs I p. 99-100
p. Bellringer 10.11
p. Daily Lang. Transparency 10.11

Nov. 9
Workbook Lesson 24 Irregular Verbs II p. 101-2
p. 51 Bellringer 10.12
p. 88 Daily Lang. Transparency 10.12

November 12-16

Nov. 12

Nov. 13
Review (part of) Punctuation, Verbs & Pronouns

Nov. 14
Second Six Weeks (part of) Punctuation, Verbs & Pronouns

Nov. 15
Workbook Lesson 68 Unit 11: Usage Glossary p. 227-8
p. 72 Bellringer 17.1
p. 126 Daily Lang. Transparency 17.1

Nov. 16
Workbook Lesson 69 Usage: Beside to Less
p.72 Bellringer 17.2
p. 127 Daily Lang. Transparency 17.2

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3rd Six Weeks - Objective

Week One

Nov. 19 Unit 17 – Troublesome Words (17.1 & 17.2)

Textbook – pgs. 559-562
Workbook – pgs. 227-232

Practice WS – pg. 42
Enrichment WS – pg. 42

Nov. 20 Unit 17 – Troublesome Words (17.3)

Textbook – pgs. 563-564
Workbook – pgs. 233- 236

Practice WS – pg. 42
Enrichment WS – pg. 42

Nov. 21 Thanksgiving Holiday

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving

Nov. 23 Holiday

Week Two

**Nov. 26 Bellringer – Vocabulary Introduction
Unit 10 – Irregular Verbs (10.11)**

Textbook – pgs. 421-422
Workbook – pgs. 99-100

**Nov. 27 Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Unit 10 – Irregular Verbs (10.11)**

Textbook – pgs. 423-424
Workbook – pgs. 101-104

**Nov. 28 Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Unit 10 – Irregular Verbs (10.11)**

Practice WS – pg. 16
Reteaching WS – pg. 16
Enrichment WS – pg. 16

**Nov. 29 Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Test: Troublesome Words & Irregular Verbs**

Use Exam Pro

Nov. 30 Bellringer – Vocabulary Quiz

Enrichment Writing – pg. 432-433

Week Three

**Dec. 3 Bellringer – Vocabulary Introduction
Unit 16 – Subject-Verb Agreement**

Textbook – pgs. 540-542

Practice WS – pg. 39

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Workbook – pgs.123-124

- Dec. 18** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Comparative and Superlative Adjectives (12.3)**
Textbook – pgs. 461-462 Practice WS – pg. 23
Workbook – pgs. 125-126 Enrichment WS – pg. 23
- Dec. 19** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Demonstratives (12.4)**
Textbook – pgs. 463-464 Practice WS – pg. 23
Workbook – pgs. 127-128 Enrichment WS – pg. 23
- Dec. 20** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Adverbs (12.5)**
Textbook – pgs. 465-466 Practice WS – pg. 24
Workbook – pgs. 129-130 Reteaching WS – pg. 24
- Dec. 21** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Quiz
Adverbs (12.5)**
Christmas Grammar Enrichment WS's

Week Six

- Jan. 7** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Introduction
Comparative and Superlative Adverbs (12.6)**
Textbook – pgs. 467-468
Workbook – pgs.131-132
- Jan. 8** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Using Adverbs and Adjectives (12.7)**
Textbook – pgs. 469-470 Practice WS – pg. 26
Workbook – pgs. 133-134 Reteaching WS – pg. 26
- Jan. 9** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Avoiding Double Negatives (12.8)**
Textbook – pgs. 471-472
Workbook – pgs. 135-136
- Jan. 10** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Writing
Unit 12 Review – Adjectives and Adverbs**
Textbook – pgs. 474-476

- Jan. 11** **Bellringer – Vocabulary Quiz
Six Weeks Test Review**

Week Seven

- Jan. 14** **Six Weeks Test**
- Jan. 15** **O. Henry Short Stories**
Oral Group Reading

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Jan. 16 O. Henry Short Stories

Oral Group Reading

Jan. 17 O. Henry Short Stories

Analyzing and Interpreting Selections

Oct. 2 Workbook: Unit Review: Basic Selling Rules pgs. 299-300

Oct. 3 Unit 14 Test

Oct. 4 Six Weeks Test Review

Oct. Six Weeks Test