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— Parent of Year 6 Student



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2026 SELECTIVE WORKBOOK

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Practice *Reimagined.*

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Mystery Challenge



NARRATIVE **The Hidden Door**

"While cleaning the attic, you discover a small hidden door behind an old bookshelf. Write a story about what you find when you open it and the adventure that follows."

Audience: Young adult readers · 300–400 words

WRITING SPACE

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Perspective Challenge



EMAIL **Message from the Past**

"You have discovered a way to send one email to yourself five years ago. Write the email, giving your younger self important advice and sharing what you have learned."

Audience: Your younger self · 200–300 words

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MODULE 02

Writing Gym: Skill Drills

Isolate. Practice. Master.



IMPACT Skill: Short Sentences

Use a short sentence after long ones for dramatic impact.

Choppy: "The room was dark and quiet and nobody moved."
Better: "The room lay dark and silent. Nobody moved."

YOUR TURN

"The storm was getting worse and the waves were crashing against the boat and everyone was scared."

My Answer: _____

IMITATE Skill: Varied Starters

Start sentences in different ways—not always with "The" or "I".

MENTOR TEXT

"Into the forest I walked. Birds sang overhead. Through the canopy, sunlight dappled the path."

Notice how sentences can start with PREPOSITIONS (Into, Through) instead of just "I".

New Topic: Describe entering a library.

The 10-Second Rule

Markers read dozens of papers. If your first sentence doesn't grab them, they might miss the brilliance of your middle. Start with impact.

MODULE 02

Opening Hook Drills



TRANSFORM Skill: Immediate Action

Start with action—drop the reader into the middle of something happening.

BORING (TELLING)

"One day, I woke up and it was a normal morning."

HOOK (ACTION)

"The glass shattered before I even opened my eyes."

Your turn: Hook the reader into a story about being lost.

IMITATE Skill: Dialogue Opening

Start with dialogue to create instant engagement and intrigue.

MENTOR TEXT

"If we get caught, Maya whispered, we're dead."

New Topic: Two friends about to enter a haunted house.

MODULE 03

Mathematics Mastery

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Q1. Liquid Measurement

Sooyoung has 250 mL of cordial and 1 litre of water. She drinks 10 mL of cordial. Then she pours water into the glass until it reaches 500 mL.

How much water is left in the bottle?

- A. 240 mL B. 260 mL C. 740 mL D. 760 mL E. 990 mL

Q2. Symbol Solving

□ and △ represent different numbers.

$$9 \times \square = 108$$

$$\triangle + \square = 36$$

What is △?

- A. 3 B. 12 C. 24 D. 28 E. 48

Q3. Visual Symmetry

Tahnee is making a tile pattern. She wants the final pattern to have one vertical line of symmetry.



Smallest number of tiles to add to the RIGHT to make it symmetric?

- A. 2 B. 3 C. 4 D. 5 E. 6

Q4. Probability Puzzle

Jessica has blue, green, red and yellow buttons. Probability of blue is 0.2, green is 0.3. There are twice as many red as blue.

What is the probability of picking a yellow button?

- A. 0.1 B. 0.3 C. 0.5 D. 0.7 E. 0.9

Q5. Data Analysis

Average monthly rainfall in Cairns:



Jan (420mm) ... Jun (70mm) ... Aug (40mm) ... Dec (190mm)

Which statement is correct?

1. June had twice as much rain as August.
2. Dec had 9 cm more rain than Nov (100mm).
3. Feb, Mar, Apr combined > 1 metre.

- A. 1 only B. 2 only C. 1 & 2 D. 2 & 3 E. All 3



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